

Queen City Minor Box Lacrosse

Annual General Meeting

AGENDA

Tuesday December 4, 2018. 7:00 PM

Speers Family Centre – 2333 Cornwall Street, Regina, SK

1. Open Meeting

- a. President / Vice-President review of the year that was

2. Approval of 2017 AGM minutes

- a. A copy posted on Website or can be picked up at the AGM

3. Announcements

- a. Recap of the SLA – AGM (December 2, 2018)
- b. Development and Growth of the SLL (South Saskatchewan Lacrosse League)
- c. The SLA's move towards creating an "A" League and the involvement of the QCMBL
- d. What we know so far about the upcoming QCMBL seasons

4. 2018 Awards

- a. Junior Lacrosse Play of the year
 - i. Must be a registered QCMBL Junior Box Player between the age of 17-21
 - ii. Is an above-average player
 - iii. Is noted to have given back to the QCMBL in ways such as Coaching, Refereeing, Scorekeeping and other volunteer activities
 - iv. Must be a Team Leader, on and off the floor
 - v. Should have a consistent academic standard
- b. QCMBL Male Player of the year
 - i. Must be a registered QCMBL Male Minor Box player between the age of 8 – 16
 - ii. Is an above-average player
 - iii. Is noted to have given back to the QCMBL in ways such as Coaching, Refereeing, Scorekeeping and over volunteer activities
 - iv. Must be a Team Leader, on and off the floor
 - v. Should have a consistent academic standard
- c. QCMBL Female Player of the year
 - i. Must be a registered QCMBL Female Minor Box player between the age of 8-16
 - ii. Is an above-average player
 - iii. Is noted to have given back to the QCMBL in ways such as coaching, refereeing, score keeping and other volunteer activities
 - iv. Should have a consistent academic standard
- d. QCMBL Positive Coach of the year in the following divisions
 - i. This organization is about more than sport. In addition to teaching skills and strategies, we encourage QCMBL coaches to be positive role models and help players develop positive character traits and increased self-esteem and self-confidence. To reinforce this we will select coaches from each QCMBL divisions that embody the values of the Positive Coaching Alliance for the Positive Coach Award.
 - ii. Coaches will be selected by nomination from parents, players or other coaches in each division
 - iii. All coaches nominated must be an active coach in good standing with the QCMBL

1. Novice (Kara Thompson – Memorial Trophy)
 2. PeeWee
 3. Bantam
 4. Midget
- e. QCMBL Level 1 Referee of the year
- i. The QCMBL Level 1 Referee of the Year Award is given annually to a Level 1 official who has demonstrated commitment and excellence as a box lacrosse official. The award is determined by nomination from the QCMBL officiating group and Referee Scheduler and is based on
 1. Commitment to QCMBL lacrosse, demonstrated by serving as a level 1 referee for minor games and tournaments, for a minimum of one year
 2. Growth as a referee, for instance, demonstrated by officiating higher level games when available
 3. Performance on the floor, determined through evaluation by senior members of the QCMBL referee mentoring committee
- f. QCMBL Senior Referee of the year
- i. The QCMBL Senior referee of the Year Award is given annually to a senior official who has demonstrated commitment and excellence as a lacrosse official. The award is determined by nomination from the QCMBL officiating group and Referee Scheduler and is based on
 1. Commitment to QCMBL lacrosse, demonstrated by serving a a Senior level 2 or 3 referee for minor and Junior league games for a minimum of three years.
 2. Growth as a referee, for instance, demonstrated by officiating higher level games and achieving level 2 or 3 certification. Performance on the floor, determined through evaluation by senior member of the QCMBL referee mentoring committee.
- g. QCMBL Bob Ryan – Volunteer of the Year Award
- i. The QCMBL Volunteer of the Year Award was created to recognize the achievements and efforts of volunteers who have dedicated numerous hours of their time to QCMBL at the Board, Team Manager, Committee or Parent Level. The award is named in honor of the late Mr. Bob Ryan, a former lacrosse coach, community volunteer and Past President of the Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association from Regina. Nomination for this award will be accepted from the membership.
- h. QCMBL President's Award
- i. The QCMBL President's Award was created to promote and celebrate the Spirit of volunteerism by annually giving the QCMBL President an opportunity to acknowledge and thank and individual or individual(s) who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment to lacrosse with the QCMBL organization. This award is selected by the President or Vice-President of the QCMBL
- i. The Lisa Duncan Award
- i. This award was created to give as a Life Time achievement award to an individual who has dedicated their time to promoting, developing and growing Lacrosse throughout not only the QCMBL but the Sport as a whole.

5. Reports (all reports were posted on the website with the Agenda)

- a. Treasurer Report
- b. Referee-in-chief Report
- c. Division Reports

6. Board Elections

a. **Executive**

A 2 year term is required for all Executive members

President - **Available**

- I. Chair meetings
- II. Be one of two/ three co-signers for bank account
- III. Represent QCMBL at Sask. Lacrosse functions
- IV. Represent QCMBL at functions
- V. Be contact person when others not available.
- VI. Oversee work of executive / committees
- VII. Cast tie-breaking vote on QCMBL business
- VIII. Maintain communication with other lacrosse organizations on behalf of the QCMBL

Vice President – Not Available

- I. Assist chairman as required
- II. Chair meetings when President is not available
- III. Represent QCMBL at meetings.
- IV. Be one of two/three co-signers for bank account.
- V. Head committee work on special projects
- VI. Work with Treasurer to develop budgets
- VII. Work with registration data, schedule, chief official to review game/rink requirements
- VIII. Obtain information on rental agreements
- IX. Book facilities
- X. QCMBL contact with the various facilities being used

Treasurer – Not Available

- I. Maintain banking records suitable for auditing, including receipts to verify transactions.
- II. Be one of two / three co-signers for bank account.
- III. Prepare regular financial statements for the President, Executive, and Sask. Lacrosse.
- IV. Assist in the collection and deposit of all funds received.
- V. Write cheques / make payment for all expenses.
- VI. Ensure timely payment of annual bills – Corporations Renewal, insurance, storage
- VII. Maintain files of previous years financial activity.
- VIII. Prepare, or assist accountant, with Corporate /GST / Income Tax statements as required.
- IX. Work with Vice President to develop budgets

Secretary – **Available**

- I. Record and distribute the minutes of all meetings.
- II. Maintain files of all correspondence, and documents distributed by QCMBL.
- III. Maintain files of all correspondence received from SLA
- IV. Book meetings
- V. Prepare, distribute, and receive correspondence on behalf of QCMBL.
- VI. Submit paperwork for MAP funding

Past President – Not Available

- I. Provide guidance and experience to executive.
- II. Chair meetings when President and Vice President are not available
- III. Represent QCMBL at Sask. Lacrosse functions when requested by executive.
- IV. Represent QCMBL at functions when requested by executive
- V. Provide liaison with outside groups and assist in transfer of contact to new executive

b. Board

Elected Yearly to a 1-Year Term

All Positions up for Election

Registrar

- Prepare registration material
- Co-ordinate registration night(s)
- Receive registrations and issue receipts for fees collected
- Sort registrations by division for use others(Scheduler, Facilities, Equipment, Chief Official)
- Assembly league / teams / coaches / players / referees registrations
- Work with treasurer to submit registration documents and funding to Sask. Lacrosse.
- Receive late registrations and advise Sask. Lacrosse of all changes

Scheduler

- Review past season floor requirements to forecast next season's floor requirements
- Prepare a list of QCMBL floor requirements and present to the Executive Members for assistance in arranging season floor contracts with the City of Regina and/or other facilities used for league purposes.
- Assist Tournament Coordinator/Hosts in establishing floor allocations required for all QCMBL run tournaments
- Assist in scheduling of QCMLB team tryouts and/or evaluations
- Schedule of all divisions practice floor - ensuring optimal usage of available floor times
- Schedule and/or slot all regular season games for all teams within the QCMBL
- Assist in buying and canceling of all QCMBL floor rentals in a timely fashion
- Attend QCMBL board meetings
- Be the liaison with all Leagues and Associations the QCMBL is involved with to resolve floor scheduling conflicts
- Be the liaison with all QCMBL coaching staff to coordinate cancelation and/or re-scheduling of games and/or practices during season
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Division Directors

- Communicate and assist team coaches and managers with any league affairs
- Communicate and conduct the Provincial Draft to Coaches and Managers
- Work as the liaison between coaches and managers and the league Executive
- Conduct medal ceremony's at QCMBL tournaments and League playoffs

Elite Program Director

- To be the liaison between the Elite Leagues and the board of the QCMBL
- To bring knowledge, direction and information back to the QCMBL, from informed sources, to help develop the Elite Divisions as the SLA moves forward to creating "A" League throughout the province

Director of Coaching

- Assist in the recruitment of coaches
- Assist in the organization of the Coaches Clinics
- Be a resource person with the coaches
- Arrange for coaches to obtain necessary instruction / coaching classes are required to be meet certification
- Conduct meetings with Coaches to review QCMBL expectations and resolve issues as they develop.
- Be liaison between coaches and executive

- Work with the Discipline Representative and Chief Official to resolve issues relating to conduct of behavior and interpretation of rules.
- Collect player evaluation forms
- Assist treasurer to develop coaches training budget for the following year.

Director of Suspensions

- Receive game sheets with major infractions
- Conduct meetings to determine applicable suspensions
- Advise coaches of disciplinary actions
- Review game sheets to follow up on suspensions served and any general trends
- Work with Chief Official and Coaching Representative to document and enforce disciplinary actions required of coaches / players / referees.

Communications

- Facilitate all league correspondence by way of email and/or social media

Equipment Manager

- Maintain inventory of equipment / sweaters
- Monitor condition of equipment / sweaters. Arrange for repairs as required.
- Ensure equipment available to meet team requirements
- Recommend to executive on the purchase / replacement of equipment / sweaters to meet registrations requirements
- Verify receipts of all equipment purchased and forward to the treasurer for payment
- Co-ordinated storage of equipment / sweaters in the off-season
- Assist treasurer to develop an equipment budget for the following year.
- Marketing Chairperson
- Recruit volunteers to assist in marketing activities
- Assist Registrar in the development and distribution of registrations and promotional material
- Co-ordinate fund-raising / corporate sponsorship
- Co-ordinate advertising and media releases
- Chair committee for "Celebrity Challenge"
- Assist treasurer to develop Sponsorship / Fund-raising budget for the following year.
- Assist executive to ensure corporate sponsors are duly recognized for their contributions

Referee In Chief

- Recruit and provide training opportunities for referees
- Monitor development of referees.
- Conduct regular meetings with the referees to discuss ongoing events (scheduling, rules, game conditions, other issues)
- Be liaison between referees and executive
- Work with the Coaching representative to resolve issues relating to the conduct of behavior and interpretations of rules.
- Work with Discipline and Coaching Representative to document and enforce disciplinary actions required of coaches / players / referees.
- Prepare year-end summary of referee receipts for treasurer.
- Assist treasurer to develop a referee budget for the following year.

Awards / Recognition/Sponsorship

- To actively solicit sponsors for all teams in the Association
- To arrange for sponsor recognition at the end of the season
- To ensure that the sponsor assignment is recognized on the QCMBL website
- To encourage teams to publicly support their sponsor

- To ensure all QCMBL medals, trophies, banners and awards are ordered and available for presentation yearly
- To ensure all QCMBL apparel is ordered at the Board's request
- Maintain schedule of outdoor rink rental
- Verify receipts of all rink rentals and forward to the treasurer for payment
- ASSIST TREASURER TO DEVELOP A FACILITIES BUDGET FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

Adjournment

2018 QCMBL President's Report

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved with the Queen City Minor Box Lacrosse association for their assistance and support during the 2018 lacrosse season. It was another very great season for our association. I feel the hard work of dedicated volunteers and the cooperation of the members is the main reason for our great association.

We are seeing some great growth and excitement around the sport this past season. A lot may be contributed to the Saskatchewan Rush coming to the province but I believe that a part of this growth stems from the great volunteers that we have from the coaches, managers, team volunteers, tournament volunteers and any others who helped out in any way. The league does not exist without everyone dedicated efforts.

The growth of our players can be seen from the great representation our provincial teams at the SLA provincials this past summer in Estevan. The Peewee Outlaws and Midget Rush both won gold and the Bantam Snipers battled hard and came home with the Bronze Medal! The grass roots programs that the association's miniTyke and Tyke directors have developed over the last few years couple years will continue to produce great lacrosse players. Their efforts do not go unnoticed.

The 2018 season did have its bumps along the way with loosing floor time as a result of extended hockey seasons, the Memorial Cup, and "acts of God". Losing the floor time did have an impact on scheduling but the understanding of the members and other associations during this strenuous time was greatly appreciated. The city reports that we should have access to another facility, Doug Wickenheiser Arena again for the 2019 season. I believe that the city does recognize our associations growth and will continue to work with the lacrosse family to do what they can to support us. Case in point, box lacrosse markings on the new outdoor Ritchie was a nice surprise to see this fall!

With this I look forward to the 2019 season,

Matt Williams.



2018 Registration (Vice President) Report - Danita Achtemichuk

PLAYER INFORMATION

	# Of Male Participants	# Of Female Participants	TOTAL # OF PARTICIPANTS	# Of Participants That Self Declare Indigenous Ancestry
Mini Tyke Box	58	10	68	8
Tyke Box	87	10	97	13
Novice Box	111	11	122	31
Pee Wee Box	106	5	111	24
Bantam Box	82	7	89	24
Midget Box	50	5	55	17
Junior Box	52	0	52	18
Senior Box	23	0	23	0
TOTAL BOX ONLY PLAYERS	569	48	617	133

COACHES INFORMATION

	# Of Male Participants	# Of Female Participants	TOTAL # OF COACHES
(CMD) Community Development Box	22	1	23
(CPI) Competitive Introduction Box	28	0	28
(CMD) Community Development Field			0
(CPI) Competitive Introduction Field			0
(CMD) Community Development Combined			0
(CPI) Competitive Introduction Combined			0
TOTAL	50	1	51

OFFICIALS INFORMATION

	# Of Male Participants	# Of Female Participants	TOTAL # OF OFFICIALS
Level 1 Box	20	3	23
Level 2 Box	3	3	6
Level 3 Box	5	0	5
Level 4 Box	1	0	1
Level 5 Box	6	1	7
Level 1 Field			0
Level 2 Field			0
Level 3 Field			0
Level 4 Field			0
Level 5 Field			0
Level 1 Combined			0
Level 2 Combined			0
Level 3 Combined			0
Level 4 Combined			0
Level 5 Combined			0
TOTAL	35	7	42

TEAM INFORMATION

	# OF BOX TEAMS
MINI TYKE	2
TYKE	7
NOVICE	10
PEE WEE	8
BANTAM	7
MIDGET	4
JUNIOR	2
SENIOR	1
TOTAL	41

PAYMENT INFORMATION

	Quantity	Fee	TOTAL
ASSOCIATION FEE	1	\$50.00	50.00
TEAM FEES	41	\$50.00/Team	2,050.00
BOX PLAYER FEES	517	\$41.00/Player	21,197.00
FIELD PLAYER FEES	0	\$42.00/Player	0.00
COMBINED PLAYER FEES	0	\$65/Player	0.00
COACHES FEES	51	\$25.00/Coach	1,275.00
OFFICIALS FEES	42	\$25.00/Official	1,050.00
		PAYMENT TOTAL	29,722.00

The total payment of \$29,722.00 was submitted to Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association (SLC) to cover the insurance for the 2018 lacrosse season.

Registration Procedure

League Athletics was used for the second year for players to register online. Options were made for players paying by cash, cheque, Kidsport, Jump Start, Band payment, etc.

QCMBL Treasurer's Report 2018

Submitted by Heather Wenarchuk

Revenue

Total Revenue is down from 2017 by \$7763.98.

This is due to our MAP Funding being \$720.80 less in 2018 than in 2017 and our Rush 50/50 profit being \$2920.08 less in 2018 than in 2017. We also received \$5375.07 in 2017 that was actually 2016 funding.

Our registration income was up by \$7912.21 over 2017.

Our floor time revenue was down as all invoicing has not been completed. We should still see approximately \$3500 come in for floor time.

2017	2018
MAP -\$ 7,663.96	MAP - \$6,943.16
50/50 - \$16,384.24	50/50 -\$ 13,464.16
Registration -\$ 134,528.29	Registration - \$142,440.50

Expenses

We invested \$10,279.03 more in equipment over 2017. Goalie equipment and pinnies for mini tyke and tyke divisions.

Our advertising cost is up \$2738.79 because of our new building and signage that was needed for that.

Arena Rental is up \$8574.17.

Our miscellaneous category is up due to medals that needed to be replenished \$4603, SSL Bond \$1000.

Referee Fees are up by \$3458 over 2017 due to more games and mentors on every Novice game and also on PW and Bantam when training new refs.

Barracuda JRB1 lost \$1633.

Barracuda program was \$7690 for the positive.

Our total profit for the year was \$71.36.

Bank Balances

Operating Account - \$43,680.79

Savings Account - \$39,118.65

We will need to vote on transferring the Rush 50/50 money \$13464.16 to our Savings account.

Income and Spending

1/1/2018 Through 11/19/2018

Subcategory	Total
Income Categories	
Baracuda	54,861.00
Barracuda JRB1	34,449.39
REVENUES	
Other Income	210.00
Registration Fees	142,440.50
Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association	20,407.32
Total REVENUES	163,057.82
Tournaments	1,200.00
Income - Unassigned	0.00
Total Income Categories	253,568.21
Expense Categories	
Banking Fees	367.70
Barracuda	47,171.83
Barracuda JRB1	36,082.85
EXPENSES	
Advertising	3,147.28
AGM/Meeting Expenses	265.18
Arena Rental	62,597.77
Board Member Reimbursement	530.00
Equipment & Sportswear	18,405.48
Insurance	1,621.80
Miscellaneous	11,099.49
Referee Fees	23,192.04
Registration Refunds	3,752.50
Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association	34,137.00
Storage Fees	5,347.50
Total EXPENSES	164,096.04
Junior Expenses	1,100.00
Operating Costs/Website	3,311.76
RMLL	1,366.67
Total Expense Categories	253,496.85
Grand Total	71.36

Referee in Chief – 2018 QCMBL AGM Report

Before the 2018 Queen City Minor Box Lacrosse (QCMBL) season started there was quite a bit of work going on behind the scenes. A considerable amount of time was spent communicating with the Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association (SLA), the SLA Referee in Chief (RIC), and the clinic facilitators in determining dates for referee clinics to ensure our officials got certified. Once dates were determined current, past, and new officials were contacted.

This year SLA brought in the Canadian Lacrosse Association's (CLA) RIC to facilitate the level 3-5 referee clinic for all senior officials throughout the province. This was done to help align the way SLA officials interpret and enforce the rules, with the rest of the country.

For years QCMBL has discussed having an on floor session after the level 1-2 referee clinics. This year we were finally able to offer this. The session gave us an opportunity to demonstrate things learned in the clinic (i.e. positioning, face-offs, penalty procedure, etcetera) and to help get our officials prepared for their first games.

This season we had a lot of new officials take the referee clinic. It was quite unexpected and brought new challenges for QCMBL. In order to get these new officials and those that were new the previous year with games to work, we had to get creative with our scheduling. If there were multiple games in a night of the same division (mainly Novice) we had to schedule a new set of officials for each game. This was done so our officials did not have to wait as long for their next scheduled games, for us to give additional officials games as soon as possible, and to work around our mentor's availability. This situation did not allow our officials to develop as fast as they can since they are not getting as many games in a night. In the Novice and Pee Wee divisions we have many new and/or inexperienced officials who are competing with each other for games to work. The faster we can develop some of these officials and move them to higher divisions the better. That being said, there are some exceptions to moving an official to a higher division such as certification level and age.

Years ago QCMBL implemented a new mentoring and evaluating system for our officials. This system involves a senior official going on the floor to work with the other officials. The senior official is to talk to them about game situations, rules, floor position, procedures, etcetera, while still fresh in everyone's mind. The senior official is to let the others officiate the game in order to gain their confidence and develop their skills. However, the senior official will make a call if necessary. For example, a senior official will call a checking from behind penalty since it is arguable the most dangerous play in the sport of lacrosse.

I strongly believe and stand by this mentoring and evaluating system. I have seen considerable growth in our officials' confidence, knowledge, skills, and abilities in such a short time frame. Working on an official's consistency is a major focus for QCMBL. Once an official starts to piece everything together, we become more comfortable moving them up to a higher division. An official that is moved to a higher division will work with a senior or experienced official at that division depending on availability and other games scheduled that night. Once an official is moved to a higher division we continue to work with them to keep growing their confidence, knowledge, skills, and abilities. QCMBL is continuing to look for and develop more senior officials that are able to ref the Bantam and Midget divisions.

This year QCMBL approved a referee recognition program recognize, retain, gain, and appreciate our officials. Work still needs to be done to determine the different tiers and rewards based on number of years of service (starting with first year officials). This season QCMBL provided our officials with an embroidered duffel bag.

Unfortunately, this past season there were some incidents with referee abuse from coaches, players, and fans. This is an ongoing concern and QCMBL is taking steps to help prevent some of this abuse. Regrettably there is a belief that abuse is part of the job for officials in most sports. I am a strong believer that coaches can and should lead by being a positive example. The belief system a coach implements for their team starts with them and flows down to their fellow coaches, players, and fans. It is also the responsibility of the coaches to teach proper skills and techniques to their team to make the game better and safer for all involved. Officials have to deal with the circumstances given to them at all times.

Finally, this upcoming season brings some exciting opportunities for our officials. QCMBL's commitment to join the newly developed "A" league in the province plus our expanded growth in the South Saskatchewan Lacrosse League will give our officials additional chances to grow their confidence, knowledge, skills, and abilities. I look forward to what the upcoming season brings.

Honouring the game,

Dallan Larson



Equipment Director Report

Nov 20, 2018

I'd like to thank Patrick Moore for his time and feedback regarding this position. It's always an easier transition when the out-going member is available to act as a resource.

Here's a few highlights from this year:

Equipment. The board was able to access some funds to replace and upgrade some of the equipment. With a number of new players joining QCMBL, this was very good planning. Here's an overview of what was purchased; 9 goalie chest protectors, 5 sets of shin guards, 4 lax goalie pants, 4 goalie sticks, and 200 mini-tyke/tyke reversible jerseys.

Equipment Storage. The board decided to move our equipment to a new heated location in the old GMC plant on Winnipeg. This will allow the players to try on equipment in a heated space as well as distribute jerseys during the team drafting stage. Thanks to Ringette Regina and RMF for donating their surplus shelving. Thanks to my kids, Curtis Appel, Dave Wenarchuk and Matt Williams for helping with the move. Finally, thanks to Chris Fluter and family for allowing us to be tenants in one of their shops for a number of years.

Jersey's. With the return of the equipment this year, it was noted that a number of jersey sets are incomplete. This has been an ongoing problem for a number of years. The board has decided to purchase new sets over a period of 3 years or as finances permit. Currently were looking at replacing the Peewee and Bantam sets.

2018 Coaching Director Report

This past season was another tough year getting coaches as the popularity of the game keeps growing with players and teams. We did have to draft a couple teams during our draft night but found coaches shortly after. Finding coaches was one thing, and then once they commit asking them to take the proper course was another thing. In the end it was one of the most successful year's coaches attending the appropriate clinic and getting certified. The SLA is working with us on making these clinics easier and less time consuming, which will hopefully make it easier on us finding coaching. There were a lot of first time coaches this year. And we worked closely with them to make it a smooth transition for their first year, and hopefully many years to come.

The respect towards officials has been getting better every year. The QCMBL reminds all coaches of this issue and work close on resolving any issues before it becomes a problem. The saying goes without refs we have no game, well without coaches we have no game either.

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Curtis Appel
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2018 Junior Director Report

2018 was a difficult year for our Junior division. After one of the best years in 2016, we saw a lot of changes.

We saw the start of our Barracuda program joining the RMLL. This meant a loss of a lot of players to the program hurting the PGLL teams Rifles/Riot. Also joining the program was our coaches of these teams. Because of the players losses to the Barracuda program we combined both teams forming the Rampage. And with the help of Rob and Erin Caleval, Ian Lueke and Junior Bergen the Rampage was well coached. A few midget players were called up to fill the teams roster spots and given a look at what next year lacrosse division looks like. In the end the Rampage lost in the final to Prince Albert. Making this the first time in many years the PGLL was not won by a Regina team.

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Curtis Appel
Coaching Director
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2018 Midget Review

- First season in south sask
- Regina Rush 2nd, Regina Snipers 4th, Standing Buffalo 5th out of 6 teams
- Snipers won bronze in SSSL
- Rush won provincial gold.
- 24 Responded to survey
- Only 2 people thought the season was not very enjoyable
- Majority didn't have an issue with the travel
- Majority thought the practice were enough times per week.
- No coaching issues.

This was the first year of the newly developed South Sask Lacrosse League (SSSL), where our QCMBL Midget teams were full participants. In Regina we had the 2 teams , the Rush and Snipers and as well as Standing Buffalo as part of the QCMBL umbrella. The move to the SSSL was a success in pour first year as it gave the players an opportunity to play against different team and see how the QCMBL stacks up against the rest of the southern part of the province. On the floor the QCMBL teams were also quite successful with the Snipers winning the SSSL bronze and the Rush capturing the Provincial Gold. The travel did not seem to be an issue according to the results of the survey. There were no coaches issues and the majority of people had an enjoyable season of lacrosse in the Midget division.

Bantam Director Report

It was a successful year for QCMBL Bantam lacrosse with six Regina teams competing including Standing Buffalo. Most games were played between these teams but there were some games played against teams from the new South Sask. Lacrosse League. The games were spirited with great competition. The league City Championship game came down to the wire with the Rush winning in overtime.

The Snipers represented QCMBL at Provincials and were Bronze Medalists.

I would like to thank the coaches, managers and other volunteers for all their help as they are crucial to the success of the season. I would also like to thank the Executive for the countless extra hours they put in especially during the season.

Ian Lueke

QCMBL Bantam Director.

PeeWee Director Report

The 2018 season was a successful season. This division was comprised of 7 teams, including 6 teams from Regina and an associated team from Standing Buffalo. Gold in the QCMBL playoffs was played between the Raiders and Outlaws, with the Raiders winning Gold.

In place of the champion in QCMBL, this year's QCMBL representative in SLA playoffs was the highest place team in standings after regular season games. This is mandated in QCMBL Policy. Both the Raiders and Outlaws were tied in points after regular season. Referring to QCMBL tie breaking policy, 1) both teams played an equal amount of games, 2) the record was tied in head to head (5-5, 1 game), both teams were tied lowest goals against (5-5, 1 game), the Outlaws had won more games in regulation 10-1-1 as opposed to the Raiders 9-0-3. This allowed the Outlaws go on to provincials and capture gold.

This year also saw peewee teams take league assigned field practices. Most kids seemed to enjoy this. Awards and total registrants are as stated in the Awards Director's Report and the Registrar's respectively.

Tyke Division 2018 Report

Submitted by Dave Wenarchuk – Tyke Director

The 2018 Tyke lacrosse year was a great success having an increase in registration pushing our number close to 100 kids and a great interest and willingness of parents to step up into coaching roles and helpers. These parents had great interest in learning the game and different drills for their teams to learn throughout the year. The importance of these people cannot be overlooked and a huge Thank you again goes out to them. We introduced our new pinnies this year for the Tykes and they were received with positive praise on their looks and ease of team identification especially when we had to even out numbers for game time. Had a great number of kids try goal this year which made the games more exciting for the kids. I am hoping we can get more equipment for the Tykes so kids aren't waiting for the previous game to end to get the equipment on. With scheduling conflicts we could not arrange a year end festival and settled for a year end barbecue on the last day of the season where the kids were given QCMBL water bottles as a gift.

We look forward to the 2019 season hoping for continued growth and excitement of the game. We will participate in the province wide Tyke Festival day on June 8 which will come with lots of activities, games and BBQ for all players.

Thanks,

Dave

The 2018 Mini Tyke Division for QCMBL was full of changes and learning opportunities. We had 67 kids go through each week in an hour and a half floor time (43 - 6 year olds at 6:45-7:30, 24 - 4,5 year olds at 6-6:45). We started off by giving the division a new look and feel to try to help strengthen the overall skill level of all the players.

Changes:

Divide kids up by age and skill level - This was done to allow us to focus on specific skill needs of smaller groups, focus on the kids moving up to Tyke and prepare them as well as spend more time with the younger kids on basic skill building.

Create a Circuit environment and Remove game play till mid season - We spent the first few weeks with the 6 year olds and roughly half of the season with the little guys focusing on skill building and fun games to help keep focus and see where the kids were at. Then we blended the Circuit with making 2 stages game play to make sure that the skills were still being focused, while also having the kids get an opportunity to see their skill development in actual game situations.

Our focus at the beginning was to not only help build the skill levels of the players but we were trying to include Junior level players and parents, so they could work an experienced coach to help build valuable coaching experience in a low risk environment. The plan was to have 1 experienced coach, 1 junior player and a parent with each group. Most days we didnt have enough people to cover each group and had to blend the groups together. We would go from 3 coaches to 12 coaches depending on the day and this really effected the quality of support for the players. A couple weeks into the season, I called upon additional help form the Senior Heat and coaches in other leagues. This helped but due to schedules we were still short most weeks.

The people that did show up to help kept the division going and the effect on the kids experience was not noticeable, it just unfortunately it just meant less on on one time. We tried to keep the circuits simple and easy because we couldnt plan in advance to arriving at the Rink, how many coaches we would have available. Next year we will focus on looking for coaches for each individual team. The downside is that it will make it harder to adjust players depending on skill level throughout the season if they are tied to one team

Even though the coaching issues made it difficult for preparation and organizing, the 67 kids that went through have skills that are higher on average and seem to have a better overall understanding (based on age) of the fundamentals that the sport requires. Proof of this is just on basic things like ball pick up, in the past we have had many kids move on that can not scoop up the ball because to much focus was placed on actual game play that only allowed growth to the top tier of players. Splitting of the age / skill groups helped as the kids played and grew will having more opportunity to touch the ball in a game environment. Coaches were good at focusing on sportsmanship and we saw passing becoming more prevalent in the division. Catching the passes needs more work but at least the idea is in the minds of the players.

Overall more focus and support is needed for this division, it is the grassroots of the sport and a good start will help feed our "A" Divisions in the future. The stronger the kids come out of mini tyke will heavily impact the future teams that we will be looking to for strong competition. To

achieve this we will need the help of experienced coaches not parents. this will help enforcing the proper technique at this young age and help minimize the ramp up time in the tyke / novice divisions. The additional help of parents is also needed but needs to be looked at as an opportunity to build skill development for future coaches and a better understanding of the sport in general. The use of junior programs players is something that can be reviewed but needs to be used and pushed to help build future coaches aswell. If they can not commit or put in the effort then they are better to not be a distraction. When so much of the floor time is skill building and not actual game play it is vital to have people that see the benefit and long term value that this division can have on the sport. As we move up in ages and more time is focused on game planning and strategy we lose the ability to have such high player to coach ratio to focus on the fundamentals of the sport.

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