



Essa Minor Hockey Association

Annual General Meeting

April 5, 2017

Angus Arena

Agenda

- The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Meagan Halupka, seconded by Natalie Burleigh.
- Approvals (Agenda, 2016 AGM Minutes, 2015 - 2016 Auditors Report, Auditor for 2016-17)
- 2016 – 2017 Season in a “Nutshell”
- Plans for 2017 - 2018
- Executive Reports
- Fee Structure 2017 - 2018
- Registration and Payment Schedule
- Election of Executive
- Open Forum for Questions and Comments

Approvals

- **Motion #1 – April 5, 2017** – A motion was made to accept the agenda for the April 5th, 2017 AGM. Motioned by Brandon Winch, seconded by John Porier. **Carried.**
- **Motion #2 – April 5, 2017** – A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the April 7th, 2016 AGM. Motioned by Derek Cook, seconded by Jennifer Wallin. **Carried.**
- **Motion #3 – April 5, 2017** – A motion was made to approve the Auditor's Report for 2015 - 2016. Motioned by Bernice Gauley, seconded by Darryl MacRae. **Carried.**
- **Motion #4 – April 5, 2017** – A motion was made to allow the EMHA executive to determine the financial Auditor for the next season. Motioned by Tom Wilkinson, seconded by Jesse Minini. **Carried.**



2016 – 2017 Season in a “Nutshell”

Accomplishments

- Continuation of Power Skating and Puck Handling
- Hockey Night in Essa - \$1700
- Increased Registration – 215 vs 199 (Five Years in a row)
- Increased Ice Time (Association wide)
- Timbit Experiment/Sharing with Essa Township
- Novice Rep OMHA Champions
- Improved relationships with the Referees

Areas For Improvement

- Communication with Coaching Staff and Members - will add new sections to parent information hand out.
- Coaching Staff Development
- Accounting – will be looking for help for the treasurer position. Will look into credit card payments and other sources for online payments.
- Fundraising – will revisit fundraising options
- Team Sizes and “Cut off” dates / numbers for registration – It is very hard to organize and determine team sizes when people don’t register until later in the summer. We can’t project teams or how much ice to buy if we don’t know how many people are registered and how many teams we will be having.
- Executive Management – looking at removing the Referee-in-chief position from needing to attend monthly meetings and having voting privileges.
- Mandating Team meetings – to improve communication from the executive to teams



Plans for 2017 - 2018

Plans

- Increase Registration
- Continue Rep Tryouts in Early September
- Early Ice – Question raised regarding using Base Borden ice – in the past we used their ice, however, they have since raised their rates. Comment – perhaps a liaison to help facilitate the relationship between EMHA and the base. Question raised regarding using other arenas for practices and games. Potentially looking at the Nottawasaga, Thornton (brief discussion regarding Thornton and Innisfil merging which would put Innisfil as a AA centre). Comment – regarding the lack of practices during playoffs. Explanation that during playoffs Rep teams have two rounds of playoffs (OMHA's & Georgian Bays) which takes up more ice time. There is the option to rent the gym for dryland. Comment – some coaches were not aware of this. Explanation – an email was sent out with that as an option. You need to have a trainer and parent's must sign a waiver. This is the first year that association's are able to have off ice training due to insurance restrictions. We will also be looking at approaching Creemore, Honeywood for extra ice to help with obtaining additional ice. Stayner and Creemore have been discussing a potential merge. Question – Why do we have to start paying for home games during playoffs? Explanation – to cover the increased costs of refs and their travel costs.
- Improve Rep Tryouts (Maybe games, Set rules for Evaluations)
- Re-Evaluate the payment program and “cost” to play hockey
- Year End Banquet / HDIE combination event

Projection for teams 2017-2018

- (3) Timbits
- (3) Tyke Teams
- (1) Novice LL
- (1) Novice Rep
- (3) Atom LL
- (1) Atom Rep
- (1) Peewee LL
- (1) Peewee Rep
- (1) Midget LL
- (1) Midget Rep



Executive Reports

Current EMHA Executive

Elected Officers

Trevor Bolt- President
Jim Thomson – Vice President
Meagan Halupka-Corporate Secretary
Bernice Gauley -Treasurer
Tim O’Doherty – Acting OMHA Contact
Cindy Patry - Local League Coordinator
Tiffany Hart – Acting Referee Chief
Eric McAllister – Acting Head Coach
Brian Legault - Risk Management
Rose Lamont - Bond Director
Athena Nakonecznyj - Junior Coordinator

Appointed Officers

Natalie Burleigh - Registrar
Tiffany Hart - Ice Convener
Kim Powers - Tournament Director
Peter Ferraro – Equipment Manager
Vacant - Fundraising Director
Vacant – Public Relations Director

Treasurer

Totals 2016 - 2017

Revenue: \$194,000

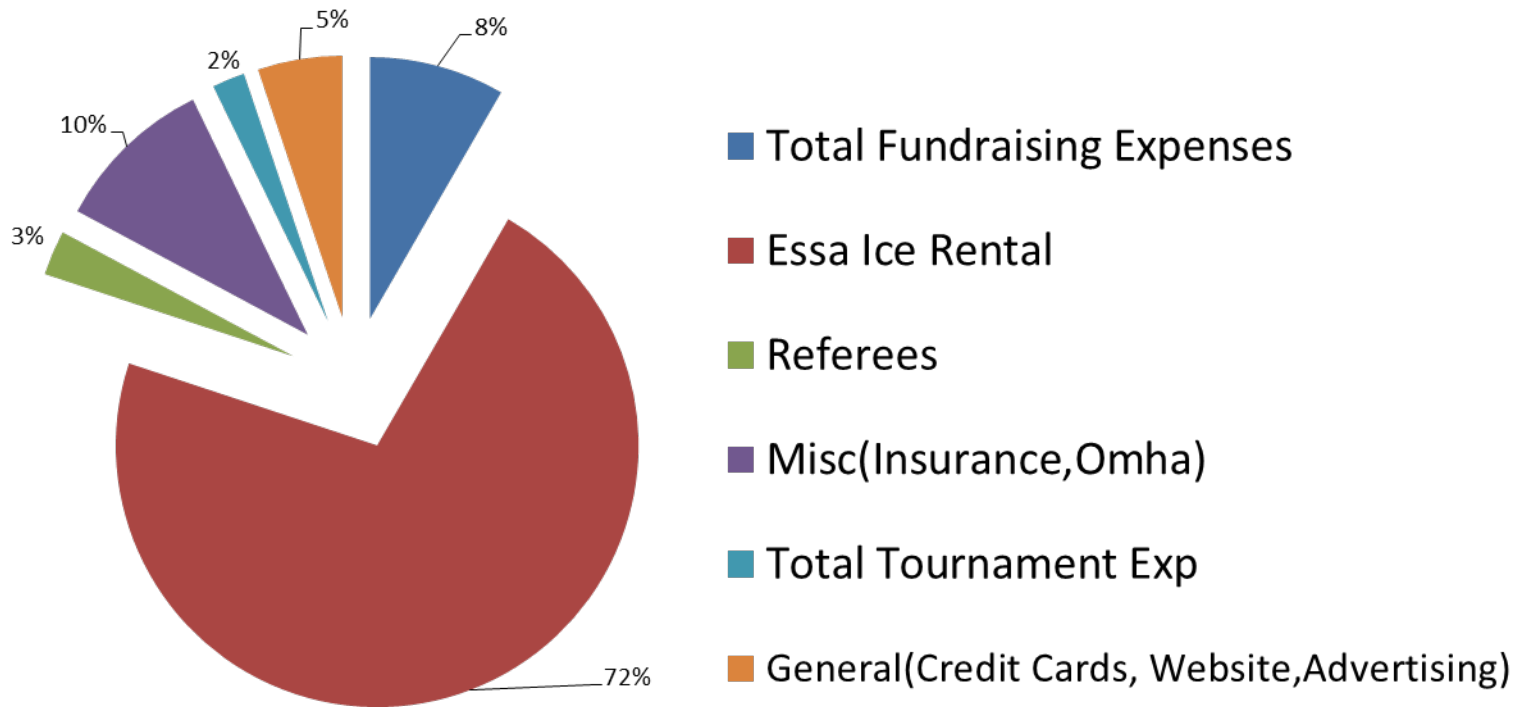
Expenses: \$196,500

-\$2500

- Totals Assets Current(April 4, 2017) \approx \$55,000
- Essa Budget based always on \$5000.00 profit, this is to cover the cost of jerseys which need to be purchased every 5 years and cost approx. \$25,000
- We spent more on items (e.g., timing gates, HDIE goodies)

Treasurer

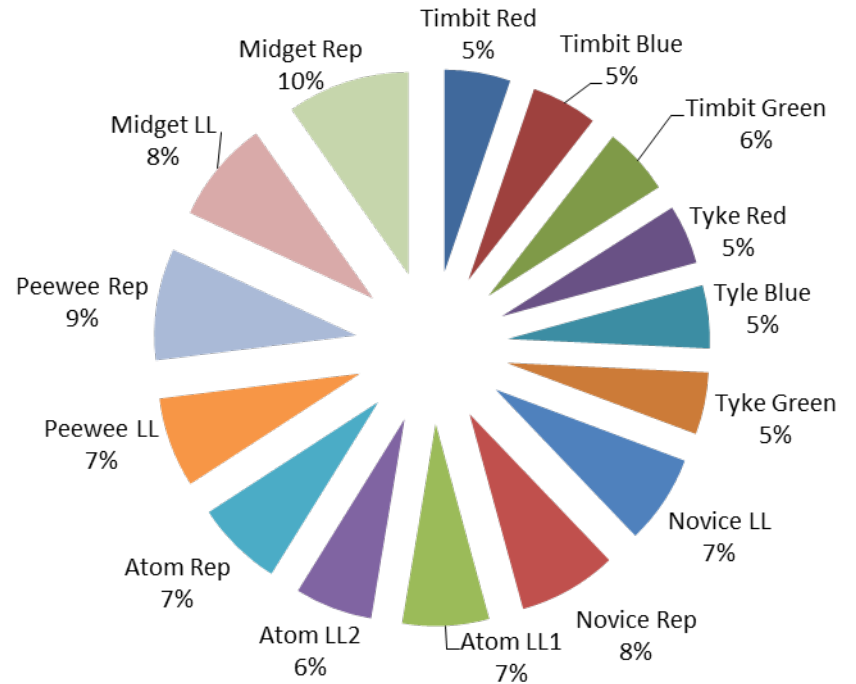
Expenses



Ice Convener

	Games (Home)	Practice Hours	Home Game Hours	Home Ice Totals
Timbit Red	5	31.5	5	36.5
Timbit Blue	5	31.5	5	36.5
Timbit Green	5	32.3	5	37.3
Tyke Red	7	25.8	7	32.8
Tyle Blue	7	27.8	7	34.8
Tyke Green	7	27.3	7	34.3
Novice LL	16	33.3	16	49.3
Novice Rep	20	34.4	20	54.4
Atom LL1	15	32.9	15	47.9
Atom LL2	14	28.8	14	42.8
Atom Rep	20	28.2	20	48.2
Pewee LL	14	32.3	17.5	49.8
Pewee Rep	17	40.4	21.3	61.7
Midget LL	14	35.8	21	56.8
Midget Rep	17	42.4	25.5	67.9

Home Ice Time %



Fundraising

- We will be implementing committees to assist with fundraising opportunities, including but not limited to the ideas below.
- Youth Dances ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
- Winter Social ✓
- Hockey Day in Essa ✓

Comment – can the price of HDIE be added into registration?

Answer – Yes, we are looking at that.

Comment – Look at having big ticket people to help draw a larger crowd. Try to connect with them earlier.

Answer – Yes, we will try that.

Comment – Can members help with bringing in donations for HDIE?

Answer – Yes, but we didn't want to continually ask the membership for items/money.

- Golf Tournament ✓

Comment – would like to have twosomes be able to participate in the tournament again, not only foursomes.

JR Coordinator

- IP Program moves to mandated “Small Surface” games & Practices

Question – Is there a possibility to have a rep tyke team?

Answer – There is no league for a rep tyke team to play in. They would turn into a MD team, like Owen Sound and play in the Novice Rep loop. You can look into a tyke select team, it went well this year. Can not be organized by EMHA, however a parent volunteer can organize it (like this year).

Question – Does tyke have to be sponsored by Tim Horton’s? Do they have to wear Timbit jerseys?

Answer – Yes, Tim Horton’s is our sponsor, for the whole IP program.



ELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE

Executive

Elected Positions 2017-2018

- Vice President (3 Year Term) – Candidates: Tim O’ Doherty, Jim Thomson.
Motion #5 – April 5, 2017 – A motion was made to elect Tim O’ Doherty as the Vice-President of EMHA. Motioned by Meagan Halupka, seconded by Athena Nakonecznyj. Carried.
- LL Contact (3 Year Term) – Candidate: Derek Cook.
Motion #6 – April 5, 2017 – A motion was made to elect Derek Cook as the Local League Contact of EMHA. Motioned by Meagan Halupka, seconded by Athena Nakonecznyj. Carried.
- Association Head Coach (2 Year Term) – Candidates: Jim Thomson, Kim Power.
Motion #7 – A motion was made to elect Kim Power as the Association Head Coach of EMHA. Motioned by Meagan Halupka, seconded by Athena Nakonecznyj. Carried.
- Bond Director (2 Year Term) – Candidate: Rose Lamont.
- Motion #8 – A motion was made to elect Rose Lamont as the Bond Director of EMHA. Motioned by Meagan Halupka, seconded by Athena Nakonecznyj. Carried.

OMHA Contact – **Open** – Fabio Privitera showed interest.

Appointed Positions for 2017-2018 Season

- Registrar – Amanda MacRae, Natalie Burleigh
- Tournament Director - Amanda MacRae
- Fundraising Director – Therese Wardell, Shannon Truax
- Equipment Director - Peter Ferraro
- Ice Convenor - Tiffany Hart
- Public Relations – Pamela Venne, Jennifer Woods-Wallin

These positions will be voted on at the first EMHA executive meeting.



2017 REGISTRATION FEES AND
PAYMENT SCHEDULE

2016-2017 Registration

Based on Early Bird rate. If paid after June 30th the registration fee will increase by \$100 per division except for Timbit.

2016-17	Timbits	Tykes	Novice	Atom	Peewee	Bantam	Midget
Reg	225	500	525	540	560	625	650
Fund Raising	125	125	125	125	125	125	125
Bond	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Total	550	825	850	865	885	950	975

* Fund Raising based on # of children in EMHA: 1-\$125, 2-\$185

** Bond is one fee per family

Rep tryout fees of \$50

Rep fees of \$100/Player



Close Meeting Session



OPEN FORUM FOR
QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

- Comment – when to have the AGM and when to have the financial information available.
- Comment – Can we buy more ice time? Start earlier in the evenings? A- The Stallions have the 5 pm ice time, we can't buy it any earlier than what we are doing now.
- Question – Who talks to the township? A- Must be either ice convenor or president.
- Question – regarding boundaries. A- Explanation given regarding right of choice. Only those that live within certain areas are given a right of choice when picking which rep centre they want to play with. Once they sign with a centre it is for the player entire rep hockey career. If you do not live within the right of choice areas, your boundaries for rep hockey centres are not negotiable.
- Comment - regarding fees. A- Essa has one of the lowest fees in comparison to other hockey centres around us. We will be looking at raising the fees. When you pay more, more can come back to the kids, more money, more ice.
- Comment - regarding sponsors and businesses. A- We will be approaching businesses in our area. Many businesses have been very generous and we don't want to hound.
- Comment – How to get families to buy into off ice training as it is a large commitment. However, the benefits outweigh the time constraints and cost. Provides an opportunity to practice breakouts and positioning.
- Comment – New Managers need guidance. A- Will look at having an email list, for bench staff to share ideas. Will provide a manager's manual to have as a reference. Ensure meetings occur at the beginning of the season (e.g., manager's meeting, coaches meeting, trainer's meeting).
- Discussion regarding team numbers and the large Novice Local League Team . A- The OMHA's team cap is 17 plus 2 goalies for a total of 19 players. We are sorry about what happened with the numbers. This year we had situations that we had never dealt with and were still learning about (novice age players wanting to play tyke, but were not allowed, a couple of tyke age players earning spots on the novice rep team, players that had not played in Essa before showing up to the rep tryout and not being accounted for in team projection numbers. We will work with coaches to develop half ice practices and making them effective.
- Question – Will it be the same people running the power skating next season? Comment – Would like to see more constructive feedback given to players. Understand that there is a fine line between having the instructors repeat as necessary and introduce new information to keep the children interested. A- We will look into a couple of options for the power skating program next season.
- Comment – Please put information out that during playoffs games may occur on power skating nights as some individuals had to miss multiple sessions. A- We have asked our coaches to not book games on Tuesday nights, however during playoffs sometimes we have to take whatever ice time we are offered.
- Comment – regarding goalie training during practices. A – Tim W. is available to be a goalie coach, look at regular goalie clinics.
- Question – regarding the atom division as it will be large next year, will there be an AE team. A- We will look at how the numbers fall. Explanation given regarding what happens to the first entry rep team (bumped up a division).
- Comment – regarding bond – more opportunities for families to complete their bond and get the information out to families earlier. Educate families at registration about what it takes to run a team. Will try to motivate people to be the person to get involved and help out. Sometimes it is challenging for timbits and tykes as the families are already involved with the older sibling's team. Could create information brochure about all responsibilities that running a team and a hockey program include.

Thank you

On behalf of our EMHA 2017-2018 Executive we would like to thank all of our members for a fun and rewarding hockey season.

We look forward to seeing you all back in the fall.

Have a safe and healthy summer. 😊