



U9 Coordinator Report

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<p>I am pleased to present the year-end report for the U9 Chestermere Minor Hockey Association, outlining the achievements, challenges, and overall progress of the association throughout the year. The following criteria summarize the key aspects of our performance:</p>	
1	<p><u>Struggles with CAHL On-line Scheduling Tools and Ice Time Allocation:</u> Throughout the year, we faced challenges with the on-line scheduling tools provided by the Central Alberta Hockey League (CAHL). The system proved to be cumbersome and unreliable, causing difficulties in effectively managing and allocating ice time for our teams. We communicated our concerns to the CAHL and actively sought resolutions to improve the scheduling process for the upcoming season.</p>
2	<p><u>Introduction of All-Girls Team in U9 Division:</u> A significant milestone for our association was the establishment of the first-ever all-girls team in the U9 division. This initiative was met with great enthusiasm from the players, their families, and the community. We extend our gratitude to the Board and all the dedicated volunteers who played a pivotal role in making this endeavor a success. The introduction of the all-girls team not only promoted gender inclusivity but also fostered the growth of female participation in our association.</p>
3	<p><u>Fair Evaluation Process for All Teams:</u> To ensure a fair and objective assessment of all teams, we implemented comprehensive time trials and evaluations. These evaluations were conducted diligently, allowing us to appropriately gauge the players' skills, strengths, and areas for improvement. The evaluation process was conducted in a supportive environment, emphasizing the development of each player while maintaining a competitive spirit, a big thanks to Dave Millard for his excellent work in this area.</p>
4	<p><u>Competitive Performance in the CAHL League:</u> From my perspective, all our U9 teams exhibited commendable performance throughout the CAHL league. The players demonstrated exceptional dedication, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Despite facing various challenges, our teams consistently displayed competitiveness and achieved success in league play. The players' progress and growth were evident as they showcased their improving hockey skills and understanding of the game.</p>
5	<p><u>Supportive Team Managers and Continuous Improvement:</u> We were fortunate to have a group of exceptional team managers who provided valuable support and information to the teams, as well as to myself as the association coordinator. Their dedication and commitment ensured smooth operations and facilitated effective communication between teams, players, and parents. We held regular meetings and discussions to identify areas of improvement, implement necessary changes, and enhance the overall experience for everyone involved.</p>
6	<p><u>Fun-filled Practices and Skill Development:</u> Throughout the season, I had the opportunity to witness numerous practices and games, and it was evident that all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves while developing their hockey skills. Our coaches and volunteers created a positive and engaging environment, promoting a love for the game and fostering the players' growth. The dedication and effort put forth by all those involved in organizing and facilitating these activities deserve appreciation.</p>
<p>In conclusion, the U9 Division of the Chestermere Minor Hockey Association has achieved significant milestones and progress throughout the year. Despite the challenges faced with the CAHL scheduling tools and ice time allocation, we maintained a strong focus on providing an inclusive and competitive environment for all players. The introduction of an all-girls team marked a significant step towards promoting gender equality in our association. Our teams performed admirably in the CAHL league, with players exhibiting tremendous growth and development. The support from our dedicated team managers, Coaching staff and volunteers has been instrumental in our success. Moving forward, we will continue to address the scheduling challenges and work towards finding effective solutions. We will strive to build upon the accomplishments of this season, further enhancing the development and enjoyment of our players. I extend my gratitude to the Board, volunteers, parents, coaches, and players for their continued support and dedication throughout the year.</p>	