



NDMHA News

North Durham Minor Hockey Newsletter

North Durham Players and Hockey Families,
Here we are just over a year since the beginning of the pandemic and we are still navigating through uncertain times. We were happy to be able to have our hockey families on the ice this fall for some fun and skill development, and are disappointed that the season was cut short. We hope that you are all staying well and finding new things to occupy your time.

The OHF and OMHA are working on a plan to return to hockey again in the fall. They are devising a seasonal structure based on things returning to normal in September. These plans are not yet fully approved and obviously are dependent on our current state as we move through the summer. We are encouraged that the planning process is starting now so that if the province is ready to return to hockey in the fall, that North Durham is ready to go at that time. With a move to fall tryouts, it will be a very short turn around time to start the regular season, so planning is essential this year and we will be looking for our volunteers to be ready to go for that time as well.

There has been an amendment to OHF Playing Regulation C4 that passed, which resulted in the removal of all competitive categories of hockey (AAA, AA, A, B, BB, C, CC, D) for all U9 and below. This means the elimination of Representative hockey at U9 (formerly Novice.) This change had been implemented throughout most of the OHF jurisdiction following the Open Ice Summit (1999), however, is now formalized with the full implementation of the Hockey Canada Timbits U7 and U9 Canadian Player Pathways. We can still run U9 MD programming which would be similar to the U8 DS program.

NDMHA is continuing with representative coach selection for the 2021-2022 season. Applications are being accepted now and the deadline to apply is March 31, 2021.

We are still working through wrapping up the 2020-2021 season and are just about ready to process the refunds and collect outstanding fees. To help us with this, we are asking that you complete the google form below to ensure that your refund goes to the correct place.

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Please complete the google form by March 31st to let us know whether to issue the refund to your credit card that was used for this seasons registration (if it has expired or been replaced we can not process refund to the new card) OR the name and mailing address that your refund cheque should be sent to. You also have the option to leave your credit on your players account to be used towards the 2021-2022 season registration.

Click this link to complete the form:

<https://forms.gle/hXPAJrM4rDnXVDP7>

Get Involved with NDMHA!

There are lots of ways to get involved with North Durham Minor Hockey from the team level to the board and various committees. If you are interested in helping us, or have an idea that we haven't thought of, please fill out the [Volunteer Form](#) on our website and we will be in touch! Currently we are looking to fill the following Board of Director Positions:

Director of Recreational Hockey:

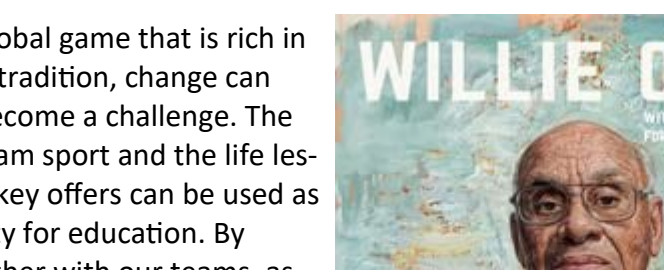
Working with the Board of Directors, Division Convenors and Team Bench Staff administer the operations of Recreational Programming for North Durham Minor Hockey Association

Director of Representative Hockey:

Working with the Board of Directors and Team Bench Staff, administer the operations of the Representative Hockey Programs for North Durham Minor Hockey.

OMHA Director:

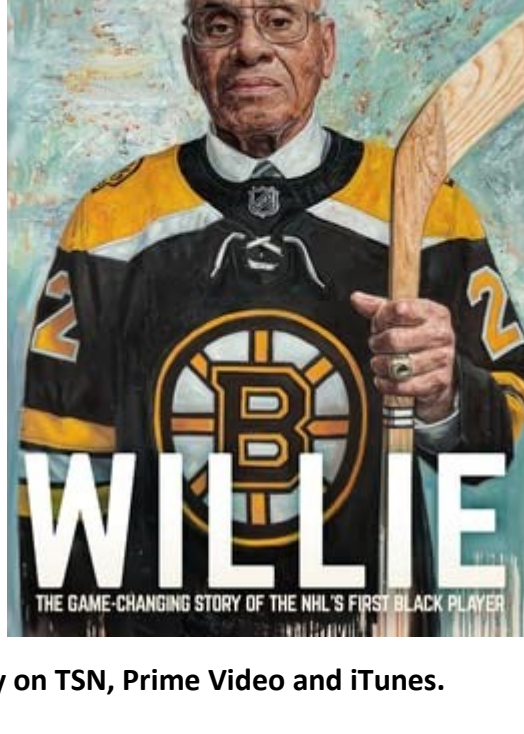
Support the operations of North Durham Minor Hockey, the Board of Directors and Team Bench staff through the understanding of Governing Body Regulations, Policies and Procedures.



Hockey is a global game that is rich in history. With tradition, change can sometimes become a challenge. The benefits of team sport and the life lessons that hockey offers can be used as an opportunity for education. By working together with our teams, associations and communities, it's up to all of us to bring on the positive changes to our sport.

Willie O'Ree was the first black player in the NHL. He paved the way for so many, creating critical change throughout the sport.

Produced by Bryant McBride, the [Willie documentary](#) tells the story of Willie O'Ree, the first black player in the NHL. O'Ree had a tremendous impact on the sport of hockey and the communities he served.



You can watch the Willie documentary on TSN, Prime Video and iTunes.

COACH SELECTION

Applications for Head Coach of Warriors Representative AA, A, AE, MD and DS as well as Blades Representative for the 2021-2022 season are now being accepted.

The deadline to apply for all levels of Rep is March 31st. The forms can be found under "Bench Staff" and "Warriors" or "Blades" or by clicking on the links below.

[Blades Rep Head Coach Application](#)

[Warriors Rep Head Coach Application](#)

Timeline for Representative Coach Selection Process

- March 5th – Year end feedback sent to coaches
- March 12th – Year end feedback due
- March 15th – Coaching Applications – Open
- March 31st – Coaching applications – Close
- April/May – Coaching Interviews and Selection

OWHA CELEBRATES HAZEL - Special Commemorative Jerseys

The limited-edition, numbered OWHA Hazel 100 Commemorative Jerseys are available exclusively from RYR Sport

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER YOUR JERSEY](#)

OWHA CELEBRATES HAZEL McCALLION'S 100th BIRTHDAY - #OWHAHazel100

Long-time leader and advocate of girls and women's hockey to be honoured by special "Hazel McCallion 100" commemorative jersey program

In honour of Hazel's milestone birthday, the OWHA is launching a special hockey jersey program to acknowledge and pay tribute to her outstanding leadership and accomplishments. Hazel is a highly respected leader who inspires girls, women and people of all cultures to have confidence in themselves and to pursue their dreams in order to create a stronger society. She continues to lead by example as a tireless visionary for a better world and for her fierce belief that every person be given an opportunity to succeed.

Coaches & Bench Staff

Both the OMHA and OWHA have created opportunities for coaches to expand their knowledge and enhance their skill set from the comfort of your home. This is a great time to take your Coach 1 or Coach 2 or to take some of these courses and earn PD points.

These are the upcoming OMHA Courses:

DATE	COURSE	COST	PD POINTS
March 3, 2021	Teaching the Art of Angling with Mike Weaver presented by CoachThem	\$20.00	3
March 10, 2021	Developing the Modern Defencemen with Brendan Taylor	\$20.00	3
March 17, 2021	Where Goals Come From presented by The Coaches Site	\$20.00	3
March 24, 2021	Evaluating, Developing & Providing Player Feedback presented by TeamGenius	\$20.00	3
March 31, 2021	Instructional Stream – Skating 1	\$30.00	5
April 7, 2021	Instructional Stream – Skills 1	\$30.00	5
April 14, 2021	Instructional Stream – Shooting & Scoring 1	\$30.00	5
April 21, 2021	Instructional Stream – Developing Defencemen 1	\$30.00	5
April 28, 2021	Instructional Stream – Goaltending 1	\$30.00	5
May 5, 2021	Specialty Clinic – Small Area Games	\$20.00	3

For more information, click here: https://www.omha.net/news_article/show/1147335

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