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HNIC Hyundai Winner

Congratulations to Dave Neil, the lucky winner of the 2011 Hyundai Tucson, generously donated as part of the Hockey Night in Canada Hyundai event. Thanks to everyone who supported CHBA by selling and/or purchasing the Tucson tickets.

Coach Evaluations

Coach evaluation forms will be made available to all team managers in the near future. It is important for our coaches to receive constructive feedback on the positive and negatives of this past season. Please take the time to complete these forms and submit them back to your manager, they will be reviewed in consultation with the development coordinator when considering planning for next season. We are seeking to have these forms returned to the executive prior to the end of March.

2011-12 Coach Selection Process

Although a firm date has yet to be established, it is anticipated that the selection process will take place toward the end of April or in early May. The coach selection guidelines and application forms will be available on the CHBA website in the near future. Anyone wishing to apply for a position will be able to do so at that time. Please pass this information along to anyone who may be interested in a Cole Harbour coaching opportunity next season. Greg Mason, Rep Coordinator

From the Development Desk

As we approach the close of another season, it has been a time for assessment; with a final evaluation of players, programs and coaching staffs. There have been, in many ways, some very nice

improvements in our programs and still others that require further work. However, overall as I look at the season, a major change in the approach to development in this Association has to be made and with that, support for it has to come front and centre for the betterment of our assets; our players and coaches.

Our programs need to be moving in the right direction and further more the Association and its coaches will have to "buy in" to make it happen. In the weeks and months ahead, it is the hope of this department to announce a major overhaul of programming for this Association to finally get the right pieces in place for the further development of players and coaches. With the season long skill development camp held on Tuesdays and Thursday over the course of the season, it is very clear that programming directed toward skills is a definite way to continue; however, it will have to be further developed and expanded in a number of ways for the success to continue among the players who participated in these sessions. I have received many notes from parents and from some of their coaches informing me of the noticeable evaluation of ability; however, the major comment is that their confidence has soared and that is a clear indicator that a child is enjoying learning.....food for thought everyone!

We are excited to have a number of teams representing CHBA in Provincial Playdowns including five of our Bantam (AA, B, C) programs along with the Bantam A and AA Girls, Midget AA Girls have made it, and just last week (March 5th) the Harbour Storm Major Bantam Program (representative of Cole Harbour and Eastern Shore Associations) made it in to the Provincial League Championships with a double overtime win versus Bedford.

Stay tuned for more information to be presented on the future of development for CHBA, it is something that we all have a vested interest in supporting.

Paddy Flynn
Director of Hockey Development, CHBAMHA

Female Hockey

I hope that everyone enjoyed the two-week break that the kids had off and took in some of the events of the Canada Games or took a trip to a warmer place. Congratulations to Alexis Crossley for representing Nova Scotia at the games. In the future, I hope that many more girls from Cole Harbour are able to have this opportunity.

There are only a few weeks left in the season and provincials will soon be upon us. All of the Cole Harbour teams qualified for the playdown process and 3 of the 4 Cole Harbour teams advanced to provincials.

Congratulations to:

The Midget A team who ousted Halifax 2 games 0 to qualify for the provincial tournament in Amherst the weekend of March 18,19,20.

Bantam AA received a bye to the second round of their qualifying process and defeated Halifax 2 games to 0 in a couple of closely played games. Their provincial games are hosted by Western Valley the weekend of March 18,19,20.

Bantam A girls defeated Halifax in the first round of their playdowns 2 games 0 and moved on to play East Hants and won that series in 2 games the second game an OT win. Bantam A provincials are the weekend of March 25,26,27 in Antigonish.

Good luck too you all in your Provincial Tournaments.

The Pee wee AA came very close to qualifying for their provincial tournament. After narrowly losing to TASA in their series, they got a second chance in a one game showdown vs. Bedford. Though they played very well Bedford edged them out 2 -0. Hold your heads high girls - you did not go down without a fight.

Female teams have finished South Conference league play and all fared well. Overall, the girls developed throughout the year from a team and personal perspective and can be proud of what they have accomplished thus far. The top two teams from the South Conference playoff format will play a one game, winner take all to determine the champion of the league. The round robins for the playoffs should be finished by the middle of March. In the past, all teams had played on one day at a Day of Champions. With provincials held over the last 2 weekends of March and SEDMHA the first weekend in April the championship games will be held when the respective divisions can provide ice. Midget A will be hosting East Hants on Tuesday March 29 at 7:30pm in Scotia 2. Come on out and show them your support.

One last note, if there is anyone who is interested in a head coaching position next year please forward your name by email to female_coordinator@chbawings.org . I will then contact you with details on what you have to do.

Brian MacPhee, Female Coordinator

Kudos to CHBA Alumni

Congratulations to Alexis Crossley, Nathan MacKinnon and Cole Murphy for your outstanding efforts in representing Team Nova Scotia at the Canada Games in February.

Concussion in Sport

At CHBA we endeavour to ensure the safety of our players.

Due to the generosity of BIANs, Brian Injury Awareness of Nova Scotia, all of our coaching staff have been provided with concussion cards as part of our efforts to prevent and identify head injuries. Please acquaint yourselves with the information on the concussion card which can be found on our website. To learn more, please check out the BIANs website at <http://www3.ns.sympatico.ca/bians1/>.

Name our Newsletter Contest

We're looking to our players to name the CHBA Newsletter. Send your ideas to secretary@chbawings.org by March 20th....only days left to get your entry in. The winner will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate for . Watch for our new name in our May edition.

A special thank you to Cleve's Source for Sports in Cole Harbour for their generosity.
Now Open: Monday & Tuesday nights til 9pm.

