

An open letter to minor hockey from the president

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There comes a time each year when one reflects over the events of the preceding year to see how you have done. As President of Midland Minor Hockey Association of Midland and the surrounding area, I am very happy to say that the players in Midland Minor Hockey have brought back to our organization more accomplishments, more pride and more recognition than in any year previous.

To all players I wish to express my sincere thanks for making my involvement one of enjoyment. It is sometimes hard to thank everyone for their contribution and inevitably someone is left out, but I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the many people involved in the organization.

First the players, the reason we become involved in the first place. Total registration numbers close to 500. A few of their fruits of labour are listed below:

HOUSE LEAGUE

Tyke

Bertram Fuels - House League Champions;
Jory's I.D.A. - House League Consolation Champions

Novice

Bourgeois - House League Champions;
StoneLeigh Motors - House League Consolation Champions; Georgian Bay Realty - House League Consolation Champions; Bike Shop - House League Tournament Champions

Atom

Realty World - North Simcoe B Champions;
A.E. LePage - Oro Tournament Consolation Champions; Milk Maid - House League Champions; I.G.A. - House League Consolation Champions & Collingwood Tournament Champions

Pee Wee

Cowan's - House League Champions; Century 21 - House League Tournament Champions; Midland Police - House League Tournament Semi Finalists; Midland Times - House League Finalists; John's Catering - Oro Tournament Champions & House League Consolation Champions; Meatland - House League Consolation Champions & Buffalo Tournament Participants.

Bantam

Kinsmen - House League Champions
Midget

Free Press - House League Finalists;
Walkers Electric - House League Finalists;
Smith Mobile - House League Tournament 1/4 Finalists; Buildall - House League Consolation Champions.

REP TEAMS

Minor Atom

All Ontario Zone Champions, Georgian Bay Champions & Buffalo Tournament Champions

Major Atom

Silver Stick Champions, All Ontario Finalists

Minor Pee Wee

Georgian Bay Champions & All Ontario Finalists

Major Pee Wee

Georgian Bay Consolation Champions

Minor Bantam

All Ontario 1/4 Finalists

Major Bantam

South Muskoka Tournament Champions & Georgian Bay Finalists

Minor Midget

Georgian Bay Finalists, Angus, Creemore & Elmvalle Tournament Finalists

Major Midget

Buffalo Tournament Champions, Silver Stick Consolation Champions & Georgian Bay Consolation Champions

Juvenile

Georgian Bay Champions, Elmvalle Consolation Champions, Stroud Consolation Champions.

The above partial list shows dedication and determination of the young men, boys and girls in our community to strive for achievement in the great game of hockey for love of the game.

After the boys I wish to thank those people involved as a Coach, Manager, Trainer or skate tightner, for their long hours of service they perform over the season. Their never ending drive is an inspiration to those who appreciate their work. To the roughly 120 volunteers who fit in this slot, my sincere thanks.

To the Referees, the unsung hero of any sport, my thanks for your valuable service. Please come back next year. This year their numbers were approximately 30. A job well done.

To the many volunteers who helped at our various functions, the Ladies Auxiliary, Bob Merkley, The Free Press, the Midland Times and C.K.M.P. my deepest and sincere thanks. Without their support an organization of our size would not be able to operate.

To the Parents who number close to 800. Thank you for bringing your boy to the Arena to participate and not just sending him. Your input throughout the year helps us to solve problems that may arise.

Finally my personal thanks to the backbone of the organization my fellow members of the Executive. Their continued support has made this year most enjoyable and rewarding to me. The members are:

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Life Member

Rep-Director

Rep-Director

Rep-Director

H L Director

H L Director

H L Director

H L Director

H L Director

Director at Large

Director at Large

Ladies Auxiliary President

Arnold Burgher

House League Tournament Chairperson.

Through their devoted time and effort our Association has benefited greatly.

As you can see the magnitude of our association could lend itself to an untold number of problems, but to my satisfaction all the people involved, no matter at what level, have shown they can come to grips with any situation and solve it in a professional manner.

To all again my thanks and best wishes for a successful year coming, I look forward to being involved next year.

MSS third at track

Midland Secondary School Marauders track and field team qualified 23 athletes in 37 different events for the upcoming Georgian Bay championships next week at York University.

At the Zone II track and field meet at Orillia on Tuesday, MSS finished third overall in team points with 398. They trailed only Penetang with 493 and ODCVI with 545.

Marauders boys' team was second to PSS with 276 points, while the Lady Marauders were fifth with 122 points.

Top performer for Midland was Craig Pender, who won the overall senior boys' title with first place finishes in the high jump, long jump, and javelin, and a second in the triple jump.

Tim Grenier was third overall in junior, as he finished second in the discus and javelin events, and third in the shot put.

Brad Price did well in midget competition, placing first in high jump, second in javelin, and third in 100 metres.

Other first place finishers for MSS were: Lori Chambers in the junior shot put, Karen Scott in the long jump, Ed Moriarty in the junior 110 metre hurdles, Ian Porter in the junior 3000 metres, and Dave Larmand in the senior 3000 metres.

All the qualifiers are looking forward to using the beautiful new track facilities at York University next Thursday.



Go for it!

Jill Chisholm (20) of MSS soccer Marauders moves in to attempt a tackle on two Orillia District Collegiate players during last week's game in Orillia.

Chisholm and her teammates used a rebuilt midfield, and some improved play in general to score their first win of the season against ODCVI by the score of 2-1.

—Photo by Andy Wicksted

baseball

The last registration for Midland Minor Baseball will be Saturday, May 14th, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Midland Arena. Coaches are needed!

Baseball Trivia Quiz

Let's talk about homeruns and homerun hitters today. The old HR is about the most dramatic and instantly important facet of the game. How much do you know about homers?

1. Name the top five all-time homerun hitters.
2. What former Dodger holds the National League mark for homers in a season? Who holds the American League mark?
3. Name the A.L. and N.L. career leaders in homeruns by a first baseman.
4. Who holds the major league record for career homers by a short-stop?
5. Name the two third basemen who hold the A.L. and N.L. marks for career homeruns.
6. Who are the top homerun hitters among pitchers in both leagues? (Career)
7. Name the present Toronto Blue Jay who was the last American Leaguer to hit two homers in the same inning.
8. Name the active player who was the last National League player to hit four round-trippers in a single game.
9. Who was the last player in each league to hit switch hit homers from both sides of the plate in one game?
10. Which Toronto Blue Jay is second on the all-time pinch hit homer list?