

TVRA Central Division Boys Hockey

Pre-Season Coaches Meeting

Monday Nov 11, 2019
7:00 PM Oakridge

1. Welcome / Introductions

- **Information Sheets - e-mail lists** – Please see attached. Please let Tim know if anyone else on your coaching staff would like to be added to the email list.
- **Ice Convenor – Coordinator of Athletics** – Tim will continue to be the ice assignor for all leagues using London and Strathroy ice. Michelle Lange is the coordinator of athletics and oversees all sport in TVRA. St Thomas ice is booked by coaches of those teams. Coaches will receive weekly schedules for the entire year once the regular season has been schedule has been set. The process then will be for updates to be sent out each Wednesday for the following week. Cancellations and or further changes to be made by Friday in order to inform arenas.
- **Convenor – future?** – Tim will continue to convene Boys Central for this year. Leah Harrington (Saunders) and Greg Brook (Lucas) have offered to assist with the hope of taking over next year.

2. Updates

- London Hockey Referees Association, Strathroy Referees Association, St Thomas Referees Association. – We do have three associations working our games depending on location of game. Tim will be in touch with each association in order to outline expectations, especially regarding ejections. Coaches do need to keep in mind that each association referees in their own unique way. There is no longer mileage added to referee fees when playing exhibition games.
 - **booking exhibition games – gold puck games** – Please get this information to Tim asap. Please include time, arena, number of refs (I often suggest 3 refs for gold puck). In all cases, both coaches should receive a confirmation from me that the game and refs have been booked.
 - **Cost for exhibition games.** – Each team will be invoiced one half of the game fee (\$50 each). Please deal with these promptly. Officials will be waiting to get paid.
 - **City of London Arenas** – we need to remember that all facilities we are using are treated with respect. Teenagers often need reminders and supervision. There should be no CHEW or SEEDS allowed in the arenas. Please set this expectation. Players are not allowed on the ice until teaching staff is present. Coaches should discuss their needs with the arena staff. Time on ice? Flood during practice? Etc. When two games are scheduled at same arena, on game may need to flood after 1st period. All four coaches should be part of this discussion with arena staff. In some cases, arenas do not open until 3:00. This will require a 3:30 start. Hopefully, players will not have to wait in the cold for doors to open. In all cases, there is a 4:50 curfew (the odd game may start at 3:00 and curfew at 4:20). Curfew time should be indicated on the game sheet and initialed by both coaches.

3. Regular Season

- **boys hockey rules – rules of play** –
 - have been updated on TVRA website (Coaches corner tab). There are not many changes for this season. The shootout in the playoffs has changed to 5 shooters starting 15 minutes before curfew. Players will alternate shooting. There is no OT during the regular season.
 - Goaltenders may continue to A/P for junior teams two times during the season. Please let me know if your goalie finds themselves in this situation. The third game makes them ineligible for further high school play. This DOES NOT include position players. Once they play a game after the start of the high school

season (Dec 2) they would be ineligible for further play. Practice with junior teams is allowed, although still discouraged by high school coaches.

- **eligibility forms** – need to be uploaded to TVRA found under school coach log in. This MUST be completed before any kind of competition including tournament or exhibition play. Please update this before season starts with your *final roster*. You can always add more players to this list during the season, but a new list needs appropriate signatures and uploaded. Please let Tim know when you make changes (if you do this after season has begun)

- **transfers** – If you have transfer students, you should be completing part II of the eligibility form. This shows date of approval and section student was approved under. See you AD for assistance.

- **major penalties reporting** – Please report any penalties resulting in the ejection of your player in any kind of competition (exhibition, tournament or league play). All 5 min penalties require the player to serve at the minimum, an additional 1 game. Fighting carries a 5 game suspension. Some suspensions are indefinite, so it is best to understand the call from the ref. They should be adding information to the back of the game sheet. I can get the info from the upload on the website as long as this has been completed. You can also send me the game sheet directly. Please also include a note describing the incident. Two minute checking from behind penalties result in ejection from game and the player receives an additional one game suspension.

- **structure / divisions / # of games** – 10 game schedule, coaches discussed and voted on a two tier system. See page below for specifics.

- **playoff format** – AA playoffs (Montcalm, CRSS, South) AAA playoffs – all other teams with the exception of the last place AAA team in Tier 2. See page 3.

- **game score reporting / website** – Home coach should report and upload game sheet to website. A max goal differential of 5 to be reported.

- **game sheets** – copies available on web site. Visiting coaches are encouraged to take a picture of game sheet before leaving arena. *I am very strongly encouraging* coaches to use stickers for roster. You can't tell me this won't make your pregame life much better! Complete your full roster and just cross out players not playing that game. See attached file. This is a word file (tables) that has been formatted to fit our game sheets. Complete the numbers and roster once and then copy and paste. I have left some information in each table so you are aware of the formatting (copy one table at a time). You need an 8.5x11 sticker sheet with 10 stickers on it. Print in landscape.

- **tournament dates / black-out dates** – Last chance to get these dates to me. Schedules will be created very soon.

- **TVRA change of schedule process** – Found on TVRA – coaches tab – forms. This must be completed if you desire a game change after schedule set. Many signatures required!

5. **Playoff Schedule** – See page 3

WOSSAA/OFSAA – WOSSAA AA and AAA both in hosted by Central this year. The rotation for this year has Central 1 playing Central 2 in WOSSAA semis.

6. **Other Business** – None – Have a great season. Let's hope it gets completed!!

Order of Finish 2018-19

- 1 Medway
- 2 Saunders
- 3 Lucas
- 4 Banting
- 5 Laurier
- 6 South AA
- 7 PCI?
- 8 SDCI
- 9 Oakridge
- 10 CRSS
- 11 Central
- 12 Montcalm AA

Tiers for 2019-20

TIER 1	TIER 2
Medway	PCI
Saunders	SDCI
Lucas	Oakridge
Banting	CRSS
Laurier	Central
South	Montcalm

AAA Playoffs –

Quarters, Semis, Finals (Seeds hold for entire playoffs).

All are 2/3 series.

Seed 1 1st Tier 1 vs Seed 8 3rd Tier 2 winners play ↓
Seed 4 1st Tier 2 vs Seed 5 4th Tier 1 winners play ↓

Seed 3 3rd Tier 1 vs Seed 6 5th Tier 1 winners play ↑
Seed 2 2nd Tier 1 vs Seed 7 2nd Tier 2 winners play ↓

Winner and finalist to WOSSAA.

AA Playoffs

South, Montcalm and CRSS play one game round robin with each other in first two weeks of playoffs.

Top two teams from this round robin advance to AA final (2/3 series).

Winner to WOSSAA.