

WESTERN REGION GENERAL MEETING
Thursday, September 11, 2003
Spruce Lodge, Stratford

1. Welcome
2. Roll Call - regrets Thornbury, Tiverton
3. Elite Development - Luc
World Championship Tournament Trophy (on table at the side) - available in Ontario for the next 5 months. Booked on a first come first served basis. Contact Luc to book it for your association. It will be in Western Region until another region would like it in theirs.
4. Reports:
Membership Services - Ken
See report. Release deadline is November 15th, 2003. Bunny releases. Arena audit due by November 15th, also. Go to ORA website for forms - under appendices.

Coaching - Mike
See report. New program offered CBET. Community Stream (B & C) and Competitive Stream (A & AA). Deadline for TRF's is November 15th, 2003 and they are to be the ORA and copies to Western Region (Ginette). NCCP photocopy of card from all your bench staff members, send to Western Region. January 8th, 2004 is the final deadline for changes. Full level 2 female on the bench for Tween AA and above.

Officiating - Bill
Clinics
5. Volunteer Recognition Awards:
Official - Warren Gethke
Volunteer - Janet Logan, Chatham
Coaching - Ron McFarlane, Forest - Betty Ann presented
Community Builder - Jim Pitcher, Stratford

Elite Development - Luc
See Report.
Western Region All Star Team - Head Coach is Ron McFarlane - Assistant Coach is Betty Anne Corrigan, Chuck Belanger, Manager, Fred Masters, Trainer.
The team is compiled of 30 players at present.
6. February Minutes
Motion to accept the February 2003 minutes as printed.
Dorchester/St Thomas, carried
7. Business arising from the minutes - none
8. Treasurer's Report - Jeanette
See report. Remember to send your dues of \$50 to Jeanette before October 31st., 2003
Nationals 2003 approximately \$4000 to be paid to cover the deficit.

9. Reports - continued:
 - Athlete Development - Karen
Kelley Brown is now Chair for the Province. Looking for a young athlete to fill this position. Ringette for Life - Jane Larkworthy

 - Adult Development - Mary
Still looking for a host for the Adult Provincials

 - A & AA League
See report. A League - first meeting will be held on September 17th, 2003 at the Upper Optimist Hall in Stratford. Elora/Fergus - Eastern Canada AA Championships and Thunder Bay - applied to host.

 - Games & Tournament - Ginette
G & T needs a new Co-ordinator, Ginette is retiring.
Regionals 2004 - April 2-4, 2004 in London. The City of Waterloo gave us a 40% subsidy when we held them in Waterloo. Unfortunately, The City of London is not as forthcoming. We will use Argyle, Carling, Stronach, Western Fair arenas. Do not book your rooms yet, Keith is working on sponsorship deal. Prelims dates coming early February/late February. Pick-up your G & T manual at the back of the room.
10. Vice-Chairman's Report - Chris
See Report. Guidelines for co-op funding of Outreach program.
11. Chairman's Report - Mary
Long sleeve/short sleeve T-Shirts - cost? Check web site for prices. Hats \$12 in celebration of 40 years of Ringette. 40th Anniversary package - see contest. Distributed...report on education, talent...forms, fill them out and hand back.
12. Announcements
 - November 14-16 London Tournament
 - Exeter Tournament - one day event
 - December 29 St Jacob's Tournament - N P T J
 - Looking for host for the High School ringette tournament.

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING - NOVEMBER 20TH, 2003 - bring your copies of your TRF's for Ginette