

## **MHMHA Timbits / Timbits Senior Director's Report 2016/2017 Season**

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### **Divisional Structure**

#### ***Timbits Jr.***

Number of teams: 4

Total number of players: 58 (36 at 2011, 20 at 2012, 1 unknown)

Officials on each team: One head coach, two assistant coaches, a team manager, and one or two on-ice helpers.

Ice times: 1 hr on Saturday and Sunday, shared with two other teams.

#### ***Timbits Sr.***

Number of teams: 8, of the teams was an all-female Wildcat team with 15 players

Total number of players: 123 (2 at 2009, 88 at 2010, 31 at 2011, 2 unknown)

Officials on each team: one head coach, one assistant coach, a team manager, and several on-ice helpers.

Ice times: 1 hr on Saturday and Sunday, shared with one to two other teams.

### **Summary**

The Timbits groups generally skated at the Family Leisure Centre on the weekends, with some practices held at Irvine on Tuesdays after school. The limited ice available at the FLC (6hr blocks) meant the Timbits Sr. division shared ice with a Timbits Jr. team on a rotating basis. Team numbers were also higher this year than in past years due to the limited ice and high number of players.

I found the coaching group in these divisions did an excellent job, especially with the high team numbers, at times there were 45 kids plus coaches on the FLC ice. The kids all developed over the year with improvements in skating and puck handling. Timbit Sr. teams that played in out of town tournaments all did well against out of town teams.

The season was wrapped up with the Jamboree in which teams in each division played a mini round robin tournament. A parent group in the Timbits Sr. division ran a small prize table and 50/50 and raised approximately \$800 which they donated to MHMHA.

### **P3 Program**

This was the third year MHMHA implemented the P3 program with this age group. The coaches embraced the program and worked with the structure and development processes. Teams were split into tiered groups within the practices so each player had the opportunity to learn skills and play mini-games with similar skill level players. This format worked well again this year. The Irvine Bulldogs also started the P3 program with their Timbit age kids.

### **Closing**

I big thank you to all the volunteers involved in making this season enjoyable for the kids! Especially to the coaches not only for on-ice instruction, but time spent taking Hockey AB courses and submitting criminal record and vulnerable sector checks.



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