

MHMHA NOVICE B

Director: Chad Schulz

Teams:

- 7 teams made up of 13-14 players and wildcats of 19 girls
- 7 co-ed and 1 girls
- 2 Irvine teams also played in our leagues. (1 co-ed and 1 girls team)

Coaches:

- Thank you to all the coaches that volunteered their time. Without your dedication the season wouldn't have been possible.
- Coaching staffs were made up of 2 or 3 preselected coaches
- Each team's coaching staff were invited to participate in a year-end evaluation meeting.
- Teams were introduced to the half ice plan after the holiday break

Skill Development:

- P3 drill binders were provided to each team.
- Each team attended YMCA dryland twice
- World-pro goalie sessions were offered monthly
- Platinum Star skills sessions were offered monthly for the first part of the season but cancelled due to lack of enrollment.

Dodge Caravan Kids:

- Team managers were responsible to register their teams
- All 8 teams received their sponsorship monies

Tournaments:

- Local Novice B tournament held in February. 16 teams attended (9 local teams and 7 out of town teams.) The top two divisions 8 teams comprised of tier 3/4 teams with the bottom division being tier 5/6
- Thank you to the tournament committee for making our home tournament a success. I received lots of compliments all weekend. They had a great prize table and a lot of happy players. Thank you for all your hard work.

Review of 2017-2018 season:

- I believe the Novice B year was successful although there is always room for improvement.
- Novice was tiered by non-divisional coaches observing a combination of a skills skate and two games. I believe from my observation of games and practices that there was less of a variation in the skill level between the individual players on the teams. This allowed the coaches to develop better practice plans and made for more even game play. Which in the end allowed players to progress further in their development.

Review of 2017-2018 season Cont.:

- At our coaches meeting the coaches indicated they believed that having a skill break down of how each player scored on each skill would help them pick more even teams at the draft.
- A second weekend of evaluations including both skill and game play would help with evaluations.
- The coaches also felt that a three tier system Novice A, B, and C with inter divisional play would further improve players development. It was felt that having the three tiers would allow players to play mainly with their own skill levels giving them more confidence but still have the chance to play against a stronger team to challenge them.