

## **MHMHA PEE WEE CITY LEAGUE – Year End Directors’ Report 2018/2019 Season**

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The Pee Wee City League consisted of (99) total players this season. Of these players, (44) of them were born in 2006, and (55) of them were born in 2007. There was a total of (12) goalies in the division this season. Of the (99) players, one of them was a female who was born in 2007. There were (23) coaches within the league, split up amongst (6) teams. Three teams consisted of (14) players, one team of (15) players, one team of (16) players and due to player requests, one team of (13) players.

Prior to the season starting there was a weekend “get back into hockey skate”, followed by one weekend of evaluations. The majority of the evaluations were completed by the head coaches of each team. There were also several impartial evaluators on hand for the majority of the ice slots.

The teams were selected by the coaches through a draft on October 3, 2018. Each coach was allowed to specify up to two assistant coaches, and all other on ice help was selected during the draft. The draft was setup to ensure even teams for the year, and for the most part this was achieved.

The season ran from “the get back into hockey” skate on September 23<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to the end of playoffs on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The playoffs started with a round robin format, where every team played each other once. After this, a ranking was determined. The 5<sup>th</sup> and the 6<sup>th</sup> place team played in a final game. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place teams, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams, played in a semi-final with one another. The winner of the semi-finals then played in the league final game. The Pee Wee City Devils came out on top this season and won the Pee Wee City Cup over the Pee Wee City Leafs in the 6<sup>th</sup> round of the shootout in the final game.

The Pee Wee City home tournament was a great success and was held on January 4, 5, and 6, 2019. We saw 10 teams from out of town attend this tournament, and it was a great weekend for all!

The continued partnership between Medicine Hat Minor Hockey and Coaches Edge was met again with positive comments and participation from the divisions’ coaches. The World Pro facilitated goalie clinics twice a month, were another positive development tool that goalies/parents utilized frequently throughout the season.

Points for consideration for next season:

- Continue the development of goalies to ensure adequate numbers at the house and competitive levels as there could potentially be a shortage of goalies for next season at the Bantam level and above.
- If available, try to schedule longer games throughout the season to expose players who wish to play at the competitive level.

In Summary, I believe that this season was a success. Many players saw great improvement and development throughout the year, while keeping fun as the driving force behind the year. As always, each season is only as strong as its volunteers, and it was evident this year that many good people stepped up and filled necessary positions to make the year what it was. Thank you to all on be-half of our hockey players,

Mark Parsons  
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