



EHA NEWSLETTER



Erindale Hockey Association

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A MESSAGE FROM TED VARTY

Inside this issue:

To all of our registered players and families, on behalf of the entire Erindale Board, welcome to the 2014/2015 hockey season!

We have completed all of the player and goalie evaluations and our new teams have been created. Now, the players can forge new relationships with their fellow players, coaches and parents as they embark upon the new season.

Important Dates

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This will be the 68th year for the Erindale Hockey Association, (EHA), that was formed in 1946 by Mr. Wally Oughtred and his brother Gord. The Erindale logo includes both the Erindale “E” and the famous RAF Spitfire. The Spitfire symbolizes skill, determination, and a never quit attitude, the very attributes that the EHA strives to instill in its players and coaches.

EHA Trading Pins Get Yours Today!

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Erindale hockey is comprised of a 100% volunteer-run board of directors and without their hard work and dedication, Erindale Hockey would not be the great association that it is today. The Spitfire and what it symbolizes along with our motto of “skill, determination and a never quit attitude”, pervades throughout the entire association.

John McCreath Award Recipients 2013-14 Season

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Enjoy the excitement as the new teams hit the ice. Encourage all of your extended families, grandparents, friends and relatives to come out to the rink to cheer on all of our teams throughout the season.

Erindale Apparel by: Authentic Stitch

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Get involved this season by immersing yourself in all of your teams’ activities on and off the ice. Highlights will include Erindale Day at the Steelheads, the Valentine’s Day Dance in February and of course our Annual IP Festival in the spring.

Midget Jr. ‘A’ Takes Two Early-Birds in a Row!

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Erindale believes in instilling in all players, parents and coaches, respect for all those involved in this great game of hockey. This includes teammates, game officials, opposing coaches and players, parents from all of the teams and most importantly, themselves.

Thank you for choosing the Erindale Hockey Association and we will strive to make this a memorable and pleasant hockey experience for everyone.

Yours in hockey,
Ted Varty, EHA President 2014-15



IMPORTANT DATES!



September 20, 2014	House League Games Begin
October 12, 2014	Thanksgiving Sunday —no MHL games scheduled
October 13, 2014	Thanksgiving Monday —HL games WILL be played
October 31, 2014	Halloween—no MHL games Friday
November 2, 2014	End of Divisional Convening
November 15, 2014	Final date for acceptance of player releases
November 28, 2014	Sports Jersey Day
November 29, 2014	Sports Day in Canada
Dec. 24/14—Jan. 1/15	Christmas Break —No MHL Games scheduled
January 10, 2015	After this date, AP players can be used max. 5 times
January 15, 2015	Final date for Player Registration
January 26, 2015	Final Date for Tournament Exemptions
January 26, 2015	Approximate Start Date for 'A' Playoffs
February 1, 2015	Deadline for entry of A' teams for 2015-16 season
February 7, 2015	Erindale Hockey Dance
February 14, 2015	Scotiabank Hockey Day in Canada
February 16, 2015	Family Day—No MHL Games
March 14-22, 2015	March Break—No MHL Games
March 23, 2015	'A' Playoffs Resume
March 28-29, 2015	House League Championship Weekend
April 1-4, 2015	GTHL Major 'A' Division Playoffs
April 9-12, 2015	GTHL Minor 'A' Division Playoffs
April 10-12, 2015	MHL Challenge Tournament
April 23-27, 2015	'A' Team Tryouts
May 5, 2015	MHL Annual Charity Golf Tournament
May 6, 2015	MHL Annual General Meeting

EHA TRADING PINS

EHA Pins are available for teams looking to trade pins at tournaments. Teams will be invoiced for their order (\$1.30 per).

Interested? Please email Sue Shepherd at seshepherd@sympatico.ca



ERINDALE HONORS ROB HEUBECK AND DAN LEBLANC WITH PRESTIGIOUS JOHN MCCREATH AWARD

For their years of dedication and commitment to coaching at Erindale Hockey Association, Rob Heubeck and Dan Leblanc were both awarded the prestigious John McCreath Coaching Excellence Award for 2013-14 at the September 3rd All Coaches Meeting at EMTR.

Rob Heubeck has been an Erindale coach for 18 years, specializing in coaching the 9 and 10-yr. old A players, many of whom have gone on to play AA and AAA in the GTHL. Rob has, from the beginning, instilled in all of his players, a love for the game and

the will for each of them to strive for their full potential. Rob has unselfishly given his time to coach these teams without having children of his own on them. Currently in this 2014-15 season, Rob is coaching the Minor Peewee A team.

When you meet Dan Leblanc, you will quickly realize that he loves the game of hockey. Dan LeBlanc is the second 2013-14 recipient of the John McCreath Coaching Excellence Award. Dan has been an Erindale coach for 16 years, coaching children of all ages and skill levels. Dan has also served on the Erindale Board as Equipment Manager. Dan was the head coach of the last Erindale team to win the International Silver Stick tournament in 1996; quite an accomplishment for both Dan and Erindale. For many years now, Dan has also always coached an IP team and is doing so again in this current 2014-2015 season. Known for his positive disposition at all times and loved by the kids he has coached; Dan always comes to the rink ready to have fun.

Pictured in photo (left to right) are both current and past award recipients honoured since 2001: Rob Heubeck, Jeff Davidson, Joe Sousa, Jim Thomas, Bob Robertson, Cary Leon, and Dan Leblanc.

Missing from the photo are Tim Manning and Ron Short.



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Midget Jr. 'A' Takes 2 Early-Bird Tournaments in a Row!



The Erindale Midget Jr. 'A' Spitfires won the Midget 'A' Division of the Aces Early Bird Tournament on Sunday, September 7 with a thrilling 1-0 victory over Orillia in the final. Dylan Morandin scored the only goal and twin brother Justin made 27 saves for the shutout. The Spitfires were 3-1 during the round robin portion of the tournament and avenged an earlier loss to Orillia with the final victory.

The following weekend, on Sunday September 14, Alex Montag scored a spectacular 2 on 1 break-away goal on a feed from Nicholas Souliere in double overtime as the Spitfires defeated the Duffield Devils 3-2. Erindale won 6 straight games and only allowed 3 goals. Nicolas Buccongello, after only 36 seconds and Andrew Durant with a short-handed effort, had provided the Spitfires with a 2-0 lead but Duffield fought back with 2 late goals to tie it up. Marc-Etienne Gosselin picked up the goaltending victory.

Congratulations to all members of Erindale Midget Jr. 'A' for winning the two straight early-bird tournaments in different age categories.

Head Coach - Craig McInnes

Assistants - Greg Durant, Greg Morandin, Denis Gosselin

Manager - Tony Buccongello

Goaltenders - Marc-Etienne Gosselin, Justin Morandin

Players - Jason Albuquerque, Chris Labella, Graham Sedgwick, Kyle Devlin, Hunter Dunlop, Spencer Gracie, Dylan Morandin, Nicholas Souliere, Braeden McInnes, Jack Skipper, Alex Montag, Brandon Bernhard, Nicolas Buccongello, Andrew Durant, Matthew Fallavollita