



# HOCKEY NEWS

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## Important Dates

- Scholarship Deadline  
March 31, 2004
- Deadline for SMH Awards  
Nominations  
March 31, 2004
- Deadline for SMH Scholarship  
Applications  
March 31, 2004
- Deadline for 2004-2005  
Rep Coach Applications  
March 31, 2004
- Equipment to be Returned  
April 3 & 4 at NSRC
- AGM & Awards  
April 27, 2004
- Deadline for Registrations for  
returning players  
May 1, 2004

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY GARY CLARKE

As the season wraps up, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all our volunteers who have helped to make this hockey season happen. Coaches, team officials, Committee members, PCAHA representatives, timekeepers, scorekeepers, 50/50 sales, team fundraiser coordinators and anybody else I may have missed that has volunteered, you have my respect. Without you, the game does not happen. It's that simple. Thank you.

Our Association elections took place on February 10th. The elections were well attended and most people stayed around for the Town Hall meeting that followed. There were some good suggestions made and we will try and follow up on some of them. However, our wishes are limited by the number of volunteers we have because like every good idea, somebody needs to execute it and without the people, idea's remain just that, a good idea. Like any other volunteer organization, we are in need of volunteers for next season. Positions like Division Manager, Internal Review and possibly Risk Manager, among others, need to be filled and if you are interested in any of the other positions too, please let me, or the appropriate VP, know. If you are a fair minded individual who will put the interests of all the kids ahead of just a few, then we can use your help. Our philosophy for Surrey MHA is to be fair and equal to all our players, not just the 'keeners' and we try and maintain that balance in everything we do. It has been my pleasure to work with the existing Executive Committee, all fair minded and just individuals, and I look forward to working with some new people, maybe even with you.

Our Annual General Meeting and Awards night will be held at the end of April. This is another opportunity for you to come out and find out what's going on in your association. At the awards, all our teams whose efforts resulted in a PCAHA banner will be presented with these banners with the players and officials names printed on them (providing that the teams get these banner to their Division Managers as they receive them). These will then join the others and be displayed in NS1. Congratulations to all those teams and, win or lose, I hope you all had a great season and enjoyed yourselves.

Other reminders for teams and players include equipment return week scheduled for the first part of April. This includes all jerseys so please make sure you return your 'clean' jersey to your Coach immediately after the season is over, this will avoid the league having to bill you for it. Registration packages are going to be mailed to each of you this year, which will probably include other information so be sure to open it and review the contents. Registration date is May 1st. Please be sure to keep your spot in our league and register on time. There is an early bird rate, after that date, the rates go up, so save yourself some money and register on time.

Next season will also see the beginning of a BC Amateur Hockey Association (BCAHA) program called the Midget Zone league. This league will offer an alternative to Jr. B or Jr. A for the high performance athletes and allow these players to continue their minor hockey at what is expected to be a very high level. Our association will join with Cloverdale, North Delta and Semiahmoo to form the Vancouver SW team. This league will be organized by BCAHA, not the local associations, and will play it's games on Weekends. Try outs start in August but players must be registered with their home association first. Contact me at [president@surreyminorhockey.com](mailto:president@surreyminorhockey.com) for more information if you are interested. More specifics will be known after March 31st.

Congratulations and good luck to all our Juvenile players who are now moving on. We hope to see you back again, maybe even as a Coach? For everybody else, once again, I hope you all had a great season, I look forward to seeing you all again next Season.

See ya at a rink.  
Gary

## SURREY MINOR HOCKEY AWARDS

It's that time again. Surrey Minor Hockey is once again pleased to present awards to players, coaches and volunteers that make Surrey Minor Hockey what it is. Each member of Surrey Minor Hockey is eligible to nominate a person or persons who they feel best personifies the following awards.

Nominations are accepted until March 31, 2004. Award winners will receive an engraved plaque at the Awards Ceremony held on April 27, 2004 at North Surrey #1 at 7:00 pm. Nominations are eagerly sought for the following awards:

**Volunteer of the Year**

**3M Coaching Recognition**

**Des Mate Memorial Coach of the Year**

**Chad Ochitwa Memorial Award**

(for best defenseman in PeeWee "C" hockey)

**Amandeep Gill Memorial Award**

(for most dedicated Atom "C" player)

**Andrew Sondergard Memorial Award**

(for Most Valuable Player in Midget AAA)

**Jim Lucas Memorial Award**

(for a Midget player in either "C" or Rep hockey)

**Frederick W. Chapman Memorial Award**

(for a Bantam player who shows Heart, Dedication, Respect, Determination & Love of hockey)

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### *Equipment Sale*

*Don't forget ...*

*If you have any used hockey equipment you would like to sell?*

*E-mail your name, phone #, e-mail address and details of the equipment*

*(limit 100 characters) to*

*Liz Argitos @ registrar@surreyminorhockey.com*

*or fax your information to*

*(604) 597-8804.*

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT

BY LIZ ARGITOS  
REGISTRAR

Registration packages for next season are expected to be mailed spring Spring Break. The package will contain a registration form, an information sheet covering the fees, how and when to pay. It is very important that you read through all the information.

On the reverse side of the registration for, will be a code of conduct for both players and parents which must be signed prior to sending in the registration. Failing to do so, the registration will be returned.

Registrations are due May 1st. If you have moved, please contact the registrar with the new information to ensure you receive your package. If you have moved outside of Surrey Minor Boundaries, you must register with the Association in your area. If you are unsure of the boundaries, call to check.

To register a new player, sibling, relative, neighbour or friend, contact Sandy @ 604 590-2130 for information or go to our web site [www.surreyminorhockey.com](http://www.surreyminorhockey.com). Registration of new players must be done in person. The new player must be a minimum of 5 years of age by December 31, 2004 to register for the 2004-2005 season.

**Rep Hockey:** Rep hockey is the culmination of player skills, attitude and desire coupled with the coaching experience, training and dedication to form a Surrey team to play against the best players from other associations. Surrey Minor currently has two rep teams in Atom and 3 rep teams each in PeeWee, Bantam & Midget. To try out for a rep team, you must submit the fee and indicate the desire to do so. Normally, there is a rep try-out form to submit, but we are currently trying to re-work the registration form to include a spot to indicate "rep try-out". There is, for the first time, 3 rep teams in the Juvenile Division. As there are no "C" teams in this category, there is no rep try-out fee or form required.

Currently, Surrey Minor Hockey Association has 970 players on 62 teams, aged 5-20. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers within this fine Association that work so hard to make things run as smoothly as possible. From the President (who does on occasion work the time clock) to the sellers of 50/50 tickets (who could one day become the President). The volunteers do the "work" so the kids can "play".

Many thanks!  
Liz Argitos  
Registrar

# COACH'S REPORT

BY CRAIG SHERBATY  
COACH COORD.

As the Coach Coordinator, my goal for Surrey Minor Hockey from Initiation through Juvenile is as follows:

- Provide Coach support sessions with updated information: technical and practical skill development resources, encourage ideas and mentorship, practice and game planning.
- Implement a communication protocol with membership concerning available skill clinics and player concerns.
- Improve player development progressively throughout the season.
- Implement a skill development report for coaches and players.

### My Background:

A hockey development instructor for coaches, and player's on/off ice programs throughout the Lower Mainland. West End Community Centre, Hockey Coordinator, Hockey School Head Instructor and Athletic Training. Coached 12 years, Minor Hockey and 13 years of Instructional experience, working with players of all ages and abilities. Played Junior Hockey, Best Ever under seventeen 1986 participant. BCAHA Coach, Intermediate & 2003 delegate Advance Level 1, NCCP Theory Level 1 & 2, 3M Coaching Certificates. Best Ever Under Seventeen 2003 Evaluator, Fitness & Weight Training Certified, First Aid, CPR, CHA Speak Out & BC Amateur Hockey Course Conductor of IP Program and Coach Level.

### My Coaching Philosophy:

Integrity and accountability, the criterion of my coaching philosophy is as follows:

- Encourage, and provide an opportunity for each player to challenge and participate in hockey to the best of their abilities
- Develop players positive self-image and a sense of dignity under all circumstances
- Promote respect for the rules, coaches, officials, and fellow team mates
- Encourage a constructive attitude towards competition
- Have **FUN!**

The attitudes they develop toward themselves and others will last a lifetime. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please email me at [sherbaty@uniserve.com](mailto:sherbaty@uniserve.com)

Yours in hockey,  
Craig Sherbaty  
Coach Coordinator

## BOSTON PIZZA TRIVIA CHALLENGE

In each issue of SMHA's "Hockey News" there will be three skill testing questions. The first 10 people to e-mail the correct answers to [smhnews@surreymminorhockey.com](mailto:smhnews@surreymminorhockey.com) will have their names placed in a draw for a \$50 gift certificate to **Boston Pizza Newton**. Winners will have their names posted in the next edition of "Hockey News". Thanks to Boston Pizza Newton for Sponsoring this Trivia Challenge!

Here are this issue's questions:

1. What American hockey team has won the most Stanley Cups?
2. Who is the only player with more than 8 points in one game?
3. What team did Wayne Gretzky score his last NHL goal against?



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**CONGRATULATIONS!**

to

***Tanner Bloor***

*He was the winner of a  
\$50 gift certificate to  
Boston Pizza Newton!*

*The three correct answers to  
the questions were:*

1. *Montreal AAA in  
1893*
2. *Jacques Plante on  
Nov. 1, 1959*
3. *Brian Leetch*

*Thank you to all  
who participated.*

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[www.vancouvergiants.com](http://www.vancouvergiants.com)

*(The Vancouver  
Giants)*

## SMHA EXECUTIVES 2003-2004

### Executive Council

	Name	Phone	Fax
President	Gary Clarke	584-7766	584-7765
1st Vice-President (Rep Div)	TBA		
2nd Vice-President (Bantam/Midget "C")	Dave Wallace	583-2622	583-6018
3rd Vice-President (Atom/Peewee "C")	Rob Kullar	590-6937	590-6937
4th Vice-President (Initiation "A-D")	Gary Clarke	584-7766	584-7765
Treasurer	Melina Bourne	580-5071	580-5079
Secretary	Lisa McEvoy	597-7747	597-9739

### Division Managers

Initiation A-D (Hockey 1-4) Manager	Rhonda Morrison	597-8505	597-0110
Atom "C" Manager	Dave Leman	575-0908	
Peewee "C" Manager	Walter Mosher	574-1073	574-1078
Bantam "C" Manager	Ron Star	589-0801	
Midget "C" Manager	Sherri Muscardin	597-1414	

### Rep Coordinators

Atom	Joe Van Dyk	591-3993	
Peewee	John Peterson	596-3502	596-3502
Bantam/Midget	Michele Kraatz	582-1753	582-1753
Juvenile	TBA		

### Other Positions

Coach Coordinator	Craig Sherbaty	940-0469	
Equipment Managers	Dennis Brooks	590-7301	
	Tom Muscardin	597-1414	
Ice Allocator	Gary Winters	590-5379	590-5328
Newsletter	Agata Leman	575-0908	
Referee in Chief	Jamie Raphael	596-4720	597-4753
Registrar	Liz Argitos	597-8859	597-8804
Risk Manager	Leonard Chevaldave	597-0318	597-0318
Scholarships	Lisa McEvoy	597-7747	597-9739
Tournament Directors—Christmas	Tricia Letendre	585-0790	
Tournament Directors—Initiation (Spring)	Paul Tilbury	599-5944	
Waiting List	Sandy McLaughlin	590-2130	590-2130
Media Relations	Miriam Sobrino	589-7770	

### Committees

Appeals			
Internal Review	Sergio Briglio	888-0772	888-0775
Finance	Gary Clarke	584-7766	584-7765
	Melina Bourne	580-5071	580-5079
Bingo	Betty Gilbert	590-4355	