

2024/25--U11 Director Report

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the U11 Director for AMHA. As this was my first year, thank you for your patience as I learned along the way!

None of this is possible without the support of you, the U11 volunteers who dedicated an enormous amount of time this season.

I would like to recognize the U11 head coaches and managers for their unwavering commitment this season (and the assistant coaches and parents who stepped up!)

C1 HC Andrew McHugh / Manager Mary Peters

C2 HC Denis Barthe / Manager Sara Pawliw

C3 HC Greg Emery / Manager Tyler Hesketh

C4 HC Dave Reekie / Manager Kim Janzen

C5 HC Anthony Gwillam / Chelsie Lidstone

A1 HC Dean Arsene / Manager Angela Parlee

A2 HC Jon Morrison / Manager Karey Mann

A3 HC Levi Hesketh / Ashley Camp

Thanks also to RIC Joel Byron for managing and assigning officials, Mike Nolan and the Development Team, and to Jon MacKinnon for volunteering as the U11 Coordinator!

Several topics have been brought to my attention and discussed by the Board. One of the challenges I hear most often is inconsistent ice times for team practices and I trust the Board will look to improve this. The other is U11 C competitiveness. I have shared these concerns with the Board and a committee will continue to work on strategy for next season. There needs to be a significant change in the process of making teams, balancing teams, and how to manage “new” players.

In closing, I would like to thank the Board of Directors for their patience and support with learning this role, and specifically to Rhonda, for helping me along whenever needed.

Sincerely,

Rocky Olfert