Richmond Munster Minor Hockey Association



2024-2025 AGM Director's Reports

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President's Report

Another year of minor hockey is behind us. I hope that the players of the RMMHA had fun, made new friends, and learnt new skills in this amazing game. Hockey, while stressful, is such a great opportunity to make lifelong connections in our little community.

Congratulations to the following teams for their achievements this year:

U13B - Regular Season Winners

U13A - Regular Season Winners

-Playoff Champions

U15B1 - Regular Season Winners

U18B2 - Regular Season Winners

I would like to thank all the volunteers that make the season happen. All the work behind the scenes is often overlooked by the general public. Without the numerous hours by the volunteers, hockey would not happen. Thank you to all that stepped up for the first time as managers, coaches, trainers and Board members. The first step is often the hardest in starting to volunteer.

With this in mind, I hope some of you reading this will consider joining the Executive Board to help the association keep running. We had some great new additions this past year, but are looking for some key positions to be filled before the start of next season. Without more support, the association will face tough decisions on the 25-26 program offerings.

Enjoy your summer
Jim Wallace
President RMMHA
jim.wallace@rmmha.ca

Vice President House

The 2024-25 season has ended and given the smiles I observed on many faces, I am certain that most had a great hockey season as much as I did. Cudo to all volunteers that acted as team officials as they were able to provide a positive hockey environment where players could not only achieve skill development throughout the season, but it fed our greatest Canadian common passion, ice hockey!

As the vice president I focussed my efforts on two folds during the year. First one being working with the treasurer to re-balance our budget and make it sustainable throughout the years to come. The second fold was to refresh our constitution and by-laws, in order to remain current with our evolving situation. While the latter effort will continue in the new hockey season (and approved according, in due time, by our membership), the salient points of changes will be discussed at the AGM.

Our associations learn few positive lessons which will be sustained in years to come.

Sort Out. The efforts invested in providing fair and transparent sort out, including the many early volunteers that made it happen, reflected positively in the competitiveness that every team offered in their respective league play and playoff level. Every team could taste the sweet taste of victory and the bitterness of a loss, but this is what hockey is about.

Referee Clinic. RMMHA was able to organize and run a referee clinic for our youth and this has proven to be a huge win, as we could better support the overall Lanark hockey. Many parents showed interest in having their kids attend such clinics in the future as their kids reach the minimal age level.

Goalie Clinics. This year, RMMHA was able to provide a few goalie clinics that were welcomed by all goalies. The numerous goalie and non-goalie volunteers allowed our young tender community to learn and optimize their skills. Also, it provided an opportunity for coaches to learn more about goalie skills, and exports this knowledge within their own practices. As long as volunteers keep showing up, the league will definitely endure this great opportunity.

However, our association also faced some challenges.

Ice Allocation. Due to a big turn out in the executive membership coupled with the implementation of new tools made the ice scheduling challenging this year. While no one is to blame, RMMHA drew some key lessons learned which will be implemented to the extent possible in the upcoming years.

Misconduct. While for most of the season our teams and players were disciplined, the number of misconducts increased substantially at the end of the season, for players and coaches. While a hockey game can quickly become very emotional, RMMHA remains committed to provide a safe hockey environment to all players, coaches and referees. While accountability at every level is important, we also need to remember that we are all human and can make mistakes. Also, we need our youth to develop their referee skills early in order to become seasoned over the year and provide quality reffing at every level of minor hockey.

Volunteers. Finally, RMMHA cannot be successful without volunteers. While we were able to fullfil the key positions to make hockey possible this past season, there is still a substantial turn over in some key positions again this year. Without volunteers in those positions, we may struggle to put everything together. I hope we have some new members of the association volunteer so we can try to continue to have the ability to offer a Richmond Royals hockey program.

I look forward to working with the new members of the board towards another great year in 2025-26, and I welcome any novel idea that can make RMMHA better.

Thanks
Alex Côté
Vice-President House
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Vice President Competitive

2024 - 2025 has been a great year for both Ottawa Valley Silver Seven and Upper Canada Cyclones. As my first year in this role I have made new and everlasting relationships with both organizations and I look forward to the continued support in the future.

Performance Highlights:

All levels reached Achievements throughout the year that could not have happened without hard work and perseverance.

Winning tournaments, big games, playoff series and long runs in the playoffs and to top it off league Champions are just some of the highlights these organizations have encountered this year.

Community Engagement:

From supporting local charities to actively participating in community events, our organizations embraced opportunities to give back and uplift those around us.

2024-2025 has been an all round great year on and off the ice. Enjoy the break and we will see you at the rink.

Cheers, Seamus Dewan Vice President Competitive

Director of Hockey Operations

Congratulations goes out to all RMMHA teams from U7 to U21 for completing another year of league and tournament play. We had a total of 22 teams this season with the following breakdown:

- U7 4 teams
- U9 5 teams
- U11 2 teams
- U13 3 teams
- U15 2 teams
- U18 5 teams
- U21 1 team

The RMMHA continues with the U9/U11 and now the U13/15 Pathways Programs based on the Hockey Canada guidelines.

Hockey operations are particularly demanding at the start of the season. One of the main challenges we face is determining the appropriate level at which to place teams within the league. This decision is not straightforward. While we adhere to Hockey Canada's guidelines, there are instances where flexibility exists within those rules, requiring careful judgment.

As the season progresses, additional complexities arise. We observe other teams applying for and receiving exemptions, which can influence our decisions. We also must consider the long-term impact of our choices, especially given that the C-level team structure disappears at the U15 level. Our primary goal is to ensure that teams are placed at a level where they can compete effectively while also enjoying

the game. This process is difficult, and we recognize that parents may have strong opinions on the matter. However, our focus must remain on the collective development of the group, rather than on individual players. We continue to refine our processes to achieve this balance. When there are multiple teams within a level, we aim to ensure a balanced team structure.

Another critical aspect of hockey operations is team sorting—assigning players to the appropriate teams. This year, we introduced a more objective process based on Hockey Canada's evaluation criteria, which include skating, passing, puck control, shooting, and gameplay. Goalies are assessed based on mobility, balance, and positioning. The goal is to avoid unilateral decision-making and ensure that team placements are as fair and accurate as possible. While this process is a step forward, there is still room for improvement.

Overall, we believe we performed reasonably well in this regard:

- U11: Challenging at A, and a solid showing at C.
- U13: 1st place at T1, 1st place nudging the advantage in a tie among a close race, and a tie for 2nd at T3
- U15: 1st place edging 2nd by a point, and 4th place (8pts from 1st) out of 16 teams.
- U18: disparity among the two teams at T1; and Two-thirds of the teams were evenly matched going to the final game against each other for 1st, and edging other teams out in a close race. We acknowledge the challenges the 3rd team faced.

Overall team season league record across all teams: 219 - 119 - 50

We attempted a draft approach for the two U18 teams, but it may not have been executed as effectively as we had hoped. Moving forward, providing more time and detailed information to the coaches could be helpful, or we may reconsider this process altogether.

In the future, we plan to advocate for increased volunteer support from individuals with hockey expertise to assist with the evaluations, or we may explore outsourcing the scoring process. Additionally, we will focus on incorporating scoring preferences that better accommodate older players, increasing the likelihood that they will stay with their friends on the team.

Overall, while there are always challenges at the beginning of the season, we remain committed to continually improving our processes and supporting the players' experience.

Hockey operations introduced a new set of Google Suite tools to streamline team administration. These tools will ensure smoother communication within the association, even as personnel change over time.

We want to commend the association on another successful grad game. This tradition is something both players and parents look forward to, providing a wonderful opportunity to honor those who have played with the association and give them a proper send-off. It's a tradition we will continue to uphold for many years to come.

Minor Hockey thrives because of the support, time, and commitment from each of you.

Have a great off-season and we look forward to seeing you all next year.

Jeff Quarrington and Tim Reidel RMMHA Hockey Operations

Treasurer Report

RMMHA Treasurer's Report for AGM 2024-2025

The RMMHA began this year with total assets of \$126,216, which includes cash on hand of \$71,749, GST/HST Refunds due of \$8,802, and RMMHA's interest in the Osgoode Richmond Hockey Club, or ORHC (i.e. the Romans). RMMHA's initial investment in the ORHC made in 2018 was \$34,966, with that value remaining on RMMHA's books unchanged. The carrying value was updated as of June 30, 2024 to \$45,666.44 to reflect RMMHA's share of the ORHC's annual profit (or loss) since the initial investment was made.

Overall, for the fiscal year, RMMHA ran a deficit/loss (to March 31, 2025) of \$10,066 (compared to a surplus/profit) of \$5,097 in the prior year (before the annual Jersey Reserve allocation is considered). This is primarily due to the increase in ice rental expense costs and a decrease in registration revenue in 2024-2025 compared to 2023-2024. On the revenue side, 97% of RMMHA's revenue (totaling \$269,071) came from three sources:

- Registration (association) fees (73%),
- ORHC ice allocation revenue (19%); and,
- Tournaments revenue (i.e. RMMHA's participation in hosting the Osgoode Winter Classic) (5%).

On the expense side, 95% of its expenses (totaling \$279,674) come from four sources:

- Ice rental expenses paid to the City of Ottawa and the Township of Beck (76%);
- Officiating expenses (9%);
- Insurance (7%); and,
- Uniforms (e.g. practice jerseys) (3%).

As at March 31, 2025, RMMHA has total cash and accounts receivable of \$72,525, and expects to owe a small amount of GST/HST to the Government of Canada of \$2,040. RMMHA is holding aside a portion of this cash and accounts receivable on account of the Jersey Reserve (\$27,342) and the Longmire-Bujold Assistant Fund (\$6,031). As a result, as of this date, RMMHA has unrestricted available total cash and accounts receivable of approx. \$37,000.

To date, RMMHA executive has not taken a decision on whether to allocate any additional amount of its unrestricted cash to the Jersey Reserve. As well, the treasurer, along with Vice-President – House, have been working to develop a balanced budget for the 2025-2026 season, which will result in an increase in RMMHA's registration (association) fees due in part to a freeze in the fees over the last several years.

Financial statements for the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 (balance sheet and income statement) as of March 31, 2025 are attached, but be advised that there will be additional transactions between this date and RMMHA's fiscal year end. This includes monthly bank charges, interest earned, and end-of-hockey season invoices or notices being received. It is not expected these additional transactions will materially change the financial results presented in this report. Also provided are comparative financial statements for the prior fiscal year end (June 30, 2024) for reference, which includes the statements presented at the 2023 annual general meeting and the final statements for the year.

Patrick McIver RMMHA Treasurer April 5, 2025

	As at June 30, 2024 and Marc	.II 31, 2023 (I	interinity		
		20)23-2024	20	024-2025
			As at June 30, 2024		As at ch 31, 2025
ASSETS:					
	and Cash Equivalents:				
	General Operating Account	\$	20,105	\$	24,320
	Savings Account	\$	51,644	\$	33,50
	Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	71,749	Ś	57,83
	unts Receivable	\$	-	\$	14,69
Other	r Current Assets	\$	-	\$	
Prepa	iid Expenses	S	-	\$	_
Total	Current Assets	\$	71,749	\$	72,52
Non-C	Current Assets:				
	ORHC Partnership Investment	\$	45,666	\$	45,66
Total	Non-Current Assets	\$	45,666	\$	45,66
TOTAL ASS	ETS	\$	117,416	\$	118,19
LABULTIES	AND FOURT				
Liabil	AND EQUITY:				
	*****			-	
	Current Liabilities:	\$	_	\$	
	Accounts Payable				
	GST/HST Payable (Refundable) Total Current Liabilities	\$	(8,802)	\$	2,04
	Non-Current Liabilities:	3	(8,802)	٦	2,04
	Jersey Reserve Fund	\$	27,342	Ś	27,34
	Longmire-Bujold Assistance Fund	\$	6,031	\$	6,03
	Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$	33,373	\$	33,37
	Liabilities	\$	24,571	\$	35,41
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Fauit	Opening Balance, Equity	\$	145,007	\$	145,00
Equity	,	\$	(57,259)	Ś	(52,16
	Retained Earnings from Prior Years				,,
	Retained Earnings from Prior Years Current Year Profit		5.097	Ś	(10,06
	U	\$	5,097 92,844	\$	(10,066 82,778

Richmond Munster and District Minor Hockey Association Profit and Loss (Income) Statement

Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025 (interim as of March 31, 2025)

				2023-	2024			2024	-2025	
Profit and Loss Statement		Actual for Year as Reported at 2024 AGM		Actual for Year Ending June 30, 2024		Budget		Actual for Year as of March 31, 2025		
REVE										
	_	ation Fees	\$	204,075	\$	203,345	\$	207,000	\$	195,520
		Romans Ice Allocation Revenue	\$	41,890	\$	41,890	\$	43,000	\$	51,711
_		rship Revenue	\$	4,435	\$	4,435	\$	4,500	\$	6,778
_		ments Revenue	\$	10,000	\$	18,000	\$	10,000	\$	14,693
_		g Courses	\$	4,048	\$	4,048				200
_	Other I			254.440		274 740		254 500	\$	369
	Total R	evenue	\$	264,448	\$	271,718	\$	264,500	\$	269,071
EXPE	NSES:									
	Adverti	sing					\$	50		
_		and Banners	\$	1,847	\$	3,405	\$	3,500	\$	1,153
	Bank a	nd Other Transaction Charges	\$	3,939	\$	3,314	\$	5,000	\$	5,040
	Coachir	ng Expenses	\$	5,942	\$	6,352	\$	5,500	\$	875
	Donatio	ons	\$	(250)	\$	(250)	\$	1,000		
	Dues a	nd Subscriptions			\$	475				
	Equipm	ent Expenses					\$	1,000	\$	1,049
	Ice Ren	tal Expense *	\$	192,846	\$	201,400	\$	202,000	\$	213,129
	Insuran	ce	\$	17,639	\$	17,639	\$	18,000	\$	19,042
	Meals a	and Entertainment					\$	100	\$	130
_	Membe		\$	1,600	\$	1,600	\$	1,800	\$	1,350
_	Miscell		\$	701	\$	1,111	\$	750	\$	155
_		Expenses	\$	416	\$	528	\$	750	\$	1,439
_		ting Expenses	\$	23,354	\$	23,354	\$	25,000	\$	25,175
_		General and Administrative	\$	475			\$	500		
		fice Box	\$	182	\$	182	\$	200	\$	187
_		ional Expenses	\$	2,107	\$	2,107	\$	-	-	
	Room F	Rentals					\$	300	\$	1,551
	Taxes			5.662		5.663	\$	800	^	0.400
	Uniforr	ns xpenses	\$	5,663 256,460	\$	5,663 266,880	\$	6,000 272,250	\$	9,400 279,674
	TOTAL E	rperises	۶	230,400	۶	200,000	۶	272,230	٠	2/5,0/4
JERSE	Y RESE	RVE ALLOCATION:	\$	8,400	\$	8,400	\$	8,400	\$	8,400
OTHE	R INCO	ME:								
		t Earned on Savings	\$	864	Ś	1,057	Ś	750	\$	536
_		A Share of ORHC Romans Partnership Profit-Loss	\$		\$	(799)	\$	-	\$	
_		ther Income	\$	864	\$	258	\$	750	\$	536
PROF	IT (LOS	S), INCLUDING JERSEY RESERVE	\$	452	\$	(3,303)	\$	(15,400)	\$	(18,466
	-	S), EXCLUDING JERSEY RESERVE	Ś	8.852	\$	5,097	\$	(7,000)	\$	(10,066
rkur	(203	J, LACEDDING JERSET RESERVE	7	0,032	7	3,037	Ą	(7,000)	7	(10,06

^{* \$8,000} of revenue received in September 2023 from the Osgoode Rideau Minor Hockey Association as RMMHA's share of proceeds from the Osgoode Winter Classic was erroneously credited to the Ice Rental Expense account, thereby understating the Ice Rental Expense amount previously reported. This has been reclassified to Tournament Revenues in the income statement shown above.

Registrar

Online Registration

Email Notifications

Please note that members receive an emailed notification for successful registrations. If no email notification is received from the HCR stating a successful registration has been completed, please follow up with the Registrar in a timely manner to identify and resolve any issues.

Reminders

1. Player Information

Hockey Canada is continually updating the registration; players, guardians and volunteers should anticipate that additional information/waivers may be needed annually.

2. Payment Confirmation

When paying by credit card, once the credit card data is added, please <u>be sure to wait to be redirected back to the HCR site</u>. If members click "back" too soon, the credit card data is not stored properly and the registration is not confirmed in the system. Please also make note if paying by installments the expiration date of your credit card. As once the credit card is declined you are unable to update in the Hockey Canada system, please ensure that your card can accommodate the payment plan chosen.

3. Full Fee Payment Requirement

Members are reminded that fee payments MUST be received in full before players can be allowed on the ice for sort-outs. This requirement enables the RMMHA to remain in compliance with Hockey Canada insurance regulations.

Competitive Try-outs

As in past years, players who wish to try out for competitive teams must be registered with the home association and in good standing (i.e., registration fees paid to the home association). Failure to do this could mean the player is unable to participate in tryouts.

For those trying out for A, AA and AAA, a list of players who have participated in tryouts will be submitted to the D4 registrar. The list will then be reviewed and parsed based on the players' home association. Individual lists will be sent to each of the respective association registrars. The \$25.00 tryout registration fee will be added to the HCR accounts by the association registrars as an outstanding balance for the 2025-2026 season in advance of opening the season registration. Players need to register with their home association once the 2025-2026 registration has opened and the outstanding balance will appear at that time for payment.

For those trying out for Rep B, the process remains unchanged from last year and the \$25 administration fee can be paid upon registration.

If players are unsuccessful when trying out for competitive they must pay the full registration fee to Richmond for house registration.

Team Roster Requirements

Thank you to the RMMHA members who stepped up to be coaches, assistant coaches, trainers, managers and on-ice volunteers! These excellent volunteers are urged to review the accreditation requirements for these positions across divisions. Members who volunteer in these roles also need a valid Police Record Check, Respect in Sport (Activity Leader), and Gender and Identity Training.

When Head Coaches assemble their bench staff, it is essential that all volunteers are notified of the expectations (including obtaining all accreditations and a valid PRC) and are able to comply in a timely manner. Once all bench staff have obtained the required qualifications and all team members have a parent (or guardian) who has completed Respect in Sport (Parent), the Registrar is able to submit a request for the Official Team Roster to the District Registrar who grants approval and issues the Official Rosters.

2024-2025 Registration Numbers

As outlined below, the RMMHA had a total of 366 players for the 2024-2025 season. This comprised 294 players on our house league teams, 49 players for the Osgoode Richmond Romans, and 23 players on other competitive teams.

	2024-2025	2023-2024	2022-2023
RMMHA U7	61	63	55
RMMHA U9	56	58	48
RMMHA U11	25	35	47
RMMHA U13	45	47	29
RMMHA U15	22	32	54
RMMHA U18	69	69	58
RMMHA U21	16	17	17
	294	321	308
ROMANS U10	8	4	7
ROMANS U11	4	7	10
ROMANS U12	5	7	8
ROMANS U13	7	7	7
ROMANS U14	6	7	7
ROMANS U15	7	8	6
ROMANS U16	8	5	7
ROMANS U18	4	3	1
	49	48	53
TEAM			
OVSS U9	6	2	
OVSS U10	1	5	

Total	366	388	392
	23	19	31
HOCKEY CLUB	1		
SOUTH GRENVILLE RANGERS JR			
UPPER CANADA CYCLONES AAA-U16	2	1	
UPPER CANADA CYCLONES AAA-U15	1	1	
UPPER CANADA CYCLONES AAA-U13	1		_
UPPER CANADA CYCLONES AAA-U12	1	1	
RIDEAU ST. LAWRENCE KINGS U18 AA	-	2	
RIDEAU ST. LAWRENCE KINGS U15 AA	-	1	
RIDEAU ST. LAWRENCE KINGS U11 AA	1		
OVSS U18 AA	1		
OVSS U16AA	-	1	
OVSS U15 AA	-	1	
KANATA BLAZERS U14 AA	1		
OVSS U14 AA	1		
OVSS U13 AA	1		
PLMHA U13 REP B	1		
OVSS U12 AA	-	1	
OVSS U11 AA	3	1	
OVSS U11 A	1	1	
NEPEAN RAIDERS U11 B	-	1	

Best wishes to everyone for an enjoyable season next year! Jimmy Falcioni RMMHA Registrar

Ice Scheduler Report

Team	# of practices
U7-1	39
U7-2	38
U9-A	35
U9-B1	32
U9-B2	33
U9-C	31
U11-A	32
U11-B	34
U11-C	32
U13-B1	28

U13-B2	29
U15-A	27
U15-B	26
U18-A	23
U18-B1	21
U18-B2	20
U18-B3	19
U21	17

Notes:

- We lost 5 ice times due to bad weather
- U9A had a few extra ice times since they picked up free ice in March
- U11B, U18A, and U18B4 made the playoff finals and had a few extra practices in March
- U9A claimed some free ice in March which gave them a few extra ice times.

Director Of Risk and Safety

-Vacant

Director of Equipment

All teams were provided practice jerseys during this year's sort-out sessions.

Socks were given out along with the jerseys.

The U11 level team jersey sponsorship by McDonalds was renewed for the 2024-2025. Teams will retain their Black (away) jerseys as part of this program. Thank you to McDonalds, and everyone participating in this program.

Shooter tooters will be repaired, and replaced again for next season to include a full set of 3.

Pucks, cones, and buckets for coaches next year were replenished mid-season, and again at the beginning of this season.

Many new sets of goalie equipment were generously donated by local community members. Big thank you for this donation. Also Canadian Tire has promised new sets for our young starter goaltenders for next season.

We introduced some new goalie training equipment this year which included the Goalie Band, and Goal Tenders Best Friend. These were a great success in our goalie training sessions, and enjoyed by coaches and goaltenders.

Thanks to all of the members for taking good care of these jerseys through the season. We will be able to reuse these again next season.

Wishing you all a wonderful off season, and looking forward to starting back up next season.

Shawn Simmonds

Director of Equipment

Referee in Chief

RMMHA organized and hosted a new officials clinic in October that provided many RMMHA members and the wider D4 community with an opportunity to begin refereeing this season they otherwise would have missed. This injection of new officials proved to be crucial for D4's participation in the Ottawa B league and LCMHL as several of the new officials that attended this clinic ended up covering a very large volume of games that otherwise would have been cancelled.

Plans being developed for next season to address issues raised by the RICs across D4 include:

- Identifying strong new officials and putting in place a program to best develop our officiating talent
- Recruiting a new D4 RIC and ensuring every association has their own RIC
- Recruiting campaigns for both young (new officials) with a special focus on older teenagers and adults
- Establishing a regular forum for RICs to coordinate/resolve officiating issues across the district
- Start discussion at HEO level to introduce a branch-wide officiating conflict of interest policy
- Stricter enforcement of the quiz program to ensure knowledge advancement of all officials
- Higher numbers of shadowing, mentoring & supervisions
- Continue to work hard to recruit and retain officials so that officiating as a role is made to be accessible to all interested members

Tim Reidel - Acting RIC, RMMHA

Director of Tournaments

Nothing to report.