## Wallace Minor Hockey: 2024 39th Bruce Williams Memorial Fun Days Guidelines

Wallace Minor Hockey is gearing up for this year's Bruce Williams Memorial Fun Days Jamboree being held in Listowel on January 11-14, 2024!

As you are all well aware, the guidelines for hosting a "jamboree" for Initiation aged players has a focus oriented on fun and this has been in-line with the mission that WMH Fun Days has always held. Bruce Williams believed that hockey should be fun, fun for all involved including players, coaches, refs, parents and fans. This is NOT a tournament, it is for Fun!

Jamboree **Games** will be modified half-ice format with the nets set up as per OMHA guidelines in "Jamboree Policy 2022-2023". The lightweight blue puck will be used. Face-offs will start each game and new shift. It will be a 5 versus 5 format (including the goalie), unless both teams agree to an alternate number of skaters prior to game start. No scoring or standings will be recorded; no penalties or offsides will be called.

Shift length is set on a 2 minute buzzer; games are approximately 45 minutes with a 4 minute warm up. During trophy presentations we may alter game times slightly, limit or remove the warm-up to keep on schedule.

We will utilize volunteer refs, usually Wallace Minor Hockey Alumni and their parents, during Fun Days. They will help keep the flow of the game going and drop the puck at faceoffs. A team official may be on the ice as well to help younger players.

The **schedule** has been emailed with this letter and will be posted throughout the arena. Please check your email and phone for messages if there is bad weather. The schedule is a guideline and games may begin slightly earlier or later depending on the day's game flow, teams should be ready 10 minutes before their scheduled game time. <u>Teams may be required to **share** a</u> <u>dressing room</u> due to the number of players/teams with the half ice structure. We apologize for this inconvenience but we are doing our best to accommodate the large number of teams in the facility.

Please follow the **team meal** schedule that will be sent via email and is listed on your coaches package that you received on entry. Please bring your meal ticket at your designated meal time to receive your meal. Our hardworking kitchen volunteers only prepare food based on this schedule. A small canteen (food booth) is available to purchase food/drinks for parents and other family members as well.

There is no door entry fee again this year, however we will have programs and a door raffle available for purchase at the door for \$5. Please let parents know that we have coffee, tea and hot chocolate generously donated by Tim Horton's Listowel and available for purchase. We do **NOT have an ATM** on site.

If you have any questions during Fun Days, please text/call my cell at **(519) 292-9227 (Laura Cressman)**. I will be at the arena throughout the jamboree and running the booth.

We look forward to providing another great Fun Days Jamboree, full of hockey spirit, for your team!

Sincerely,

WMH Executive