

8/11/20To: All Adult PlayersFrom: Dave Weaver - BAHA Hockey Director

I hope this letter finds you all healthy and enjoying the remainder of summer. Hockey season is just around the corner, and I know there are many questions. My hope is this letter will answer those questions.

Before getting into specific programs, it is important to understand how the ice schedule was written for this season. First, we plan to open 2 weeks earlier this season, with a start date of September 14th. Because we must limit the number of people in the facility at the same time, and maintain social distance, almost every program will be 90 minutes followed by a 30 minute break. For example, if the Phatties and Wombats play from 6:00 - 7:30 PM, then the next game would begin at 8:00 PM. After each ice session, players will have 15 minutes to exit the facility. The next group will enter the facility 15 minutes before their ice session begins.

I have also attached the rules and regulations we are following due to Covid-19. I ask that families and players respect the rules put in place. We have two main goals for the season: 1) Players and teams are able to skate and play hockey this season; 2) We provide the safest possible environment for our patrons and staff. We are all living in a different world right now, and I appreciate your understanding and support as we navigate through all of the issues.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Dave Weaver BAHA Hockey Director dweaver@bozemanhockey.org (814) 312-3606

Hocktober Scramble

We will again have two divisions in the Hocktober Scramble this season, D3/IVY/VHW and Rec/Power/VHW. The season will begin on September 14th and continue through the end of October.

Adult Skills Clinics

We will have a Fall session and a Winter session. The class is intended for D3 and IVY level players. The class will be limited to 25 skaters.

Robby Glantz

We are very excited to have Robby Glantz coming back to Bozeman. The 3-day clinic will be held in November. Space is limited to 25 skaters.

Greenhorn

We are excited to have the Greenhorn league again this season. At least in the Fall, the Greenhorn 1 and Greenhorn 2 will skate at the same time. We will separate the players on the ice by skill level.

Regular Season

We will again have the D3, IVY, Rec, Power, Weasels, and VHW League. The leagues will begin in November and run through mid-April. The biggest change for the adult league is that players will have to exit the building 15 minutes after their game ends, and enter the building no more than 15 minutes before the scheduled game time.



2020 - 2021 BAHA ADULT PROGRAMS



Details subject to adjustment or cancellation as necessary.

2020-2021 Skating Season is approximately Sept. 14, 2020 – April 18, 2021 (subject to adjustment). HHL Adult Hockey is for Men & Women with a minimum age of 18. Advance USA Hockey membership is required for all BAHA members <u>www.usahockey.com</u> NOTE: ALL SKATERS MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE for BAHA/HHL ONLINE: <u>www.bozemanhockey.org</u>



Online Registration opens August 17th*



HOCKTOBER SCRAMBLE

SEPTEMBER 14 – OCTOBER 30

*Hocktober Online Registration Closes August 30th; Late fees apply after this date (if space is available)

- (2) games per week
- Scramble format teams of approximately (16) will be organized by BAHA
- Discounted Puck Lunch Fees

D3/IVY/VHW

\$180 + \$10 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = **\$190**

- Skaters rated 2 & 3 combine for team play with a (10) game schedule with referees and other league benefits
- Target: (8) teams

VHW/REC/POWER

\$185 + \$10 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = **\$195**

- Skaters rated 3, 4 & 5 combine for team play with a (10) game schedule with referees and other league benefits
- Target: (6) teams.

GOALIE PACKAGE

\$50 + \$10 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$60

- Can play in any league, subject to any substitution policies rules and rankings
- Can skate *out* in up to (2) games as a substitute or in pick-up games



HOCKEY SKILLS

D3/IVY

\$100/Session

Fall Session: September 14th - November 23rd, 2020 Winter Session: January 4th- March 8th, 2021

- Skaters rated 1 & 2 combine for fundamental group drills and scrimmaging with a planned **10 weekday ice time slots** (90 min) with coaching.
- Discounted Puck Lunch Fees
- Maximum of 25 skaters per Session



ROBBY GLANTZ POWER SKATING CLINIC

Greenhorn/D3/IVY/REC

\$110/Session

Dates: November 16th-18th (3 Sessions) Time: Monday - 8:30-9:50PM Tuesday & Wednesday - 8:00-9:20PM Maximum of 25 skaters per session



GREENHORNS Beginner League

Greenhorn 1 (Step 1/Newbies); Greenhorn 2 (Step 2/GH-alumni)

\$150/Session

Fall Session: October 26th, 2020 -December 21st, 2020 Winter Session: January 4th, 2021 - March 8th, 2021

- For adults that have never played hockey and returning Greenhorns from last season. 10 on-ice Monday evening practices.
 - GH-1 (skills, games basics, coaching, scrimmaging. Intended for absolute beginners)
 - GH-2 (Intended for *returning* Greenhorns)
- Discounted Puck Lunch Fees
- Maximum of 25 skaters per session
- A maximum of three Greenhorn Sessions and you are off to the fun of D3 Level teams and beyond.



HAYNES HOCKEY LEAGUE

NOVEMBER 1 – APRIL 18

*Regular Season Online Registration Closes Sunday October 11th; Late fees apply after this date (IF space is available).

Returning players sign up for established teams listed with online registration.

New Players may sign up as *Unassigned* and will be placed on any less than full teams at the close of registration.

D3 (Beginner) LEVEL \$595 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fees = \$635

- Skaters rated 1 & 2 combine for team play with a targeted (25) game schedule.
- Higher Level 2 skaters are strongly encouraged to play in IVY League and may be moved out of D3 if determined skill level warrants
- No team can have a combined player average higher than 1.5 with a minimum of (16) skaters per roster and a maximum of (20) skaters per roster plus goalie
- End of year play-off bracket

IVY (Intermediate) LEVEL \$595 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$635

- Skaters rated mid to high 2 & low to mid 3 to form intermediate recreational competitive teams with a targeted (25) game schedule.
- Higher Level 3 skaters are strongly encouraged to play in Rec League and may be moved out of IVY if determined skill level warrants
- No team can have a combined player average higher than 2.7 and lower than 2.3, with a minimum of (16) skaters per roster and a maximum of (20) skaters per roster plus goalie
- End of year play-off bracket
- Target: 14 teams

VHW (Intermediate Plus 40+) LEVEL \$320 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$360

- Skaters Ages 40 and Over rated mid 2 to high 3 form recreational competitive teams with a proposed (16) game schedule.
- No team can have a combined player average higher than 2.5 and lower than 2.9, with minimum of (16) skaters per roster plus a goalie. Team may include up to (3) lower level 4 skaters if approved by Hockey Director and Adult Commissioner.
- Must turn 40 by March 31st of 2021
- Target: 60 players / 4 Goalies

REC LEVEL

\$615 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$655

- Skaters rated mid to high 3 & low to mid 4 to form recreational competitive teams with a proposed (25) game schedule.
- No team can have a combined player average higher than 3.6 and lower than 3.2, with minimum of (16) skaters per roster and a maximum of (20) skaters per roster plus goalie. Level 2 and Level 5 skaters are not allowed in Rec League
- Higher Level 4 skaters are strongly encouraged to play in Power League and may be moved out of Rec if determined skill level warrants and Power numbers are short.
- End of year play-off bracket
- Target: 10 teams

POWER LEVEL \$530 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$570

- Skaters rated high 4 & 5 with a proposed (23) game schedule with referees, playoffs and other league benefits. Minimum of (16) skaters per roster and a maximum of (20) skaters per roster plus goalie.
- Lower Level 4 skaters are strongly encouraged to play in Rec League and may be moved out of Power if determined skill level warrants
- End of year play-off bracket
- Target: (6) teams with protected players and draft.

GOALIE PACKAGE (D3, IVY, VHW, REC, POWER) \$180 + \$40 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$220

- All BAHA privileges (public skating, adult pick-up, puck lunch sessions subject to availability, reservation policies, and additional charges).
- Can play in any league, subject to any substitution policies, rules and rankings.
- Can skate *out* in up to 4 games as a substitute or in pick-up games.

WOMEN'S WEASELS ELECTIVE (Ladies – all ages & skill levels) \$135 (Goalies: \$40)

- Mixed skill recreational play with a targeted (10) game schedule (Approx. 2/month) with referees and other league benefits
- Players can add the elective with other league play -or- sign up just for this option
- o Teams will be formed by league
- Target: 60 players / 4 Goalies

LEGENDS OF HOCKEY (60+) LEVEL \$100 for 11 Sessions or \$15 Drop-in Fee

Late October through Early April

- Saturday morning game times
- Goalies play for Free



PUCK LUNCH

MONDAY – FRIDAY / ALL SEASON

PUCK LUNCH

\$7 BAHA Adult Members / \$14 Non-Members / Goalies Free

- 11:00 am 12:50 pm on designated dates (normally Monday through Friday see web schedule for exceptions).
- Players must pre-register and pay online. Limited to first 30 skaters and first 4 goalies per session.
- USA Hockey Insurance is NOT effect.
- Attendees MUST pay fees and sign in PRIOR TO skating.
- Poachers and unsportsmanlike players will forfeit puck lunch privileges for the season and face league suspensions.
- Prepaid Punch Cards available for convenience online and at the sign-in desk at the rink. Prepayment does not guarantee reservation and are valid for same season only. 11X League Member Punch: \$70; 11X Non-League Member \$140; League Member Season Pass: \$270; Non-League Member Season Pass: \$430 + \$20 (Rinks Enhancement Fee) = \$450
- 18 years of age and older

STICK & PUCK

VARIES / ALL SEASON

\$5 All Skaters/Goalies

STICK & PUCK

- See web schedules
- Sticks, Pucks, Helmets. Free Form: No game play.
- Players must pre-register and pay online. Limited to first 35 skaters and first 4 goalies per session.
- USA Hockey Insurance is NOT effect.
- Attendees MUST pay fees and sign in PRIOR TO skating.
- Poachers and unsportsmanlike players will forfeit puck lunch privileges for the season and face league suspensions.
- Prepaid Punch Cards at the sign-in desk at the rink. Prepayment does not guarantee reservation and are valid for same season only. 11X: \$50; Season Pass: \$150

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Please note: Helmet half-shields or cages (HECC Approved) are required for all players in adult hockey programs.

Space is limited and subject to availability. First come; First served. No multiple memberships (cross-rostering) accepted with initial registration. Cross Rostering will only be permitted IF numbers and programs allow (with the exception of WEASELS Elective) and will be evaluated and posted after regular registration concludes and season begins. Extra slots will be allowed on a first come first served basis or lottery as determined by the League Directors. No discounts for cross-rostering. New HHL teams may form in the off-season with Hockey Director and Adult Commissioner approval and appropriate registration numbers.

Rinks Enhancement Fee: goes toward repayment of the bond approved by Gallatin County. The Raise the Ice Barn campaign includes the northeast entrance, paved parking, 37,000 sq. ft. second building, mechanical room expansion, second sheet of ice and associated improvements. Thank you for your support and patience in our continued endeavors to expand and improve ice facilities and opportunities for everyone!

*There will be a \$75 late fee (D3, IVY, VHW, & POWER HHL Regular Season) for registration after OCTOBER 11th. Later sign-ups will be available IF, AND ONLY IF, space is available on teams established. Late season memberships are NOT subject to prorated fees for missed games. Rosters will be filled by League Director as necessary to meet minimum numbers. If you want to skate with certain individuals during the regular season, make sure they sign up on time and note the right team. No reservations allowed for those who may have missed sign-ups. Preference will be given to established teams assuming skater numbers are significant. Teams may be combined and disbanded as determined by the league if numbers, skill levels and scheduling warrants. In the unfortunate event that we need to shut down the rinks due to Covid-19 or you are prohibited from playing for medical reasons, we will prorate the refund based on the number of remaining games/practices. However, we will keep \$100.00 as an administration fee. All additions to rosters during season are subject to approval by the Hockey Director and Adult Commissioner. Additions after March 1st (leading up to playoffs) will be limited.

Adult league format and schedules will be dependent on registration numbers and available ice times to be determined. Anticipated games slots are every evening of the week, with varied start times. Morning sessions (6 & 6:30 AM starts) and some weekend days are also in the mix. Early AM and later PM scrimmage slots may be offered as necessary, with or without referees. Early season game schedules will be developed following registration and posted/distributed prior to season start and updated as season progresses. Special ice times during holidays, tournaments and playoffs will be as posted online. *Absolutely NO unregistered, unconfirmed, non-USAH skaters are allowed in scheduled league games.* Captains and knowledgeable individuals will be held responsible for valid registrations.

Skater Ability Ratings (including goalies) will be based on a 1-5 scale, with 5 being the best (see BAHA website, Skill Level Ratings Guidelines and Skill Calculator for more information). It is imperative that skaters rank themselves accurately and choose the right league. Leagues will fill fast and being subject to re-ranking and/or to being moved to another league may result in no available space, prorated refunded fees and NO LEAGUE PLAY.

Regular Season games will be (3) 20-minute run-time periods with certified referees. When official score keepers are present, tied and one goal differential games will have the last 3 minutes stop time. Tournament weekends may also impact regular scheduling. Schedule will be subject to change and posted. The 7th Annual Woodstick Hockey Tournament (November 6th – 8th) and the 21st Annual BAHA Winter Classic Invitational Hockey Tournament (February 12th – 14th, 2021) team fees are not included with individual membership.



See 2017-2021 USAH Rule & Case Book online or download the mobile app: <u>http://assets.ngin.com/attachments/document/0042/4244/Rulebook_2017-21_FINAL.pdf</u> and other rules and policies distributed and/or posted at the rink.

SKATERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND REFEREE TRAINING and the pursuit of official certification and service (it pays!). The annual fall referee training seminar will be held Saturday, October 17th 2020. Learn a few things, get paid and exercise. Incentives for first time referees are available. For more information, contact Gallatin Hockey Officials' Association: <u>www.ghoamt.com</u>

Questions can be directed to: Dave Weaver, BAHA Hockey Director: <u>dweaver@bozemanhockey.org</u> Nicole Altese, BAHA Adult Commissioner: <u>svnicole10@gmail.com</u>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN, AND SUPPORT FOR, BAHA and HHL ADULT HOCKEY.

