



2024-25 ANNUAL REPORT

**BEDFORD & DISTRICT MINOR
HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

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President's Message

As we close the chapter on our 50th season, I want to express my deepest thanks to the players, families, and volunteers who made 2024–25 one of the most memorable in Bedford Minor Hockey history.

From our youngest skaters at U7 to our graduating U18 players, the passion, sportsmanship, and commitment shown across all levels was truly inspiring. This season, over 975 players hit the ice, supported by an incredible team of coaches, managers, and volunteers who gave their time, energy, and heart to make it all possible.

On the ice, we saw remarkable success—our teams brought home tournament banners from across Atlantic Canada and earned five provincial titles. Off the ice, we came together to celebrate our legacy with events like Rock the Rink and the launch of our commemorative 50th anniversary jerseys featuring the original Busher logo—a tribute to where we started and how far we've come.

I'd like to acknowledge the behind-the-scenes efforts of our Board of Directors and operational leads. Their dedication keeps this association running smoothly year-round, ensuring we're always evolving and improving.

To our coaches—thank you for your leadership, your mentorship, and the example you set. To our families, thank you for your patience, your cheers, and your endless support. And to our players—you are the heart of Bedford Minor Hockey. You wear blue and yellow with pride, and you represent this community with class and character.

Thank you for an unforgettable season. Here's to the next 50 years of Bedford Minor Hockey.

Association Overview

Total Players: 975

- U7: 142
 - Teams: U7-1, U7-2 x 2, U7-3 x 2
- U9: 164
 - Teams: Advancing x 2, Intermediate x 4, Developmental x 3
- U11: 164
 - Teams: AA x 2, A x 2, B x 2, C x 4
- U13: 166
 - Teams: AAA, AA x 2, A, B x 3, C x 3
- U15: 139
 - Teams: AA, A x 2, B x 3, C x 2
- U18: 161
 - Teams: AA, A, C x 7
- Jump Into Hockey: 39

After a review of registration data over the last number of years, the total number of players has been declining but we have been maintaining a consistent number of teams/groups. This has been accomplished by having smaller rosters. However, this approach could not be applied for the 2024-25 season. A few points to consider;

- U7 was down approximately 35 players compared to the previous year which is the equivalent to a group
- U9 was down approximately 10 players compared to the previous year
- U23 did not have a team this season which would normally be 18-20 players
- Jump Into Hockey was down approximately 20 players to the previous year (1 group instead of 2)
- Built larger rosters at the U15 and U18 levels to account for injuries and player availability

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Players	1,111	1,073	1079	975
Teams	59	58	58	51

Registration at the U7 and U9 levels are essential for growth/maintenance of the association. Seeing declines at those levels are more concerning than at the older age groups as players advance to elite levels and / or priorities shift to the next chapter of their young lives.

Operations

Operations are at the core of every successful organization—and this year, we took important strides to make the season both unforgettable and more efficient. While we celebrated major milestones and memorable events, we also focused on cleaning up systems and processes behind the scenes. This commitment to operational improvement is ongoing and will continue into future seasons to ensure every member of Bedford Minor Hockey has a seamless and positive experience.

The 2024–2025 season was a success on many fronts. We celebrated championship wins at the provincial, regional, and tournament levels, and proudly launched our first-ever Rock the Rink—a day filled with hockey, community pride, and the spirit of our 50th anniversary.

To mark this milestone, many teams adopted commemorative third jerseys featuring the classic Bedford Blues “Busher” logo. We also piloted a third jersey initiative at the recreational level, which was well received and will be encouraged in future years. Our Volunteer & Awards Night at the Bedford Lions Den was another highlight—an opportunity to reflect, recognize, and honour the outstanding contributions made by members of our community.

Volunteers

A big thank-you to all the coaches, managers and other team volunteers who work tirelessly to make the season a success. BDMHA is very fortunate to have so many quality volunteers. We continue to look at ways to improve and build on our coaching selection process. Additional thanks to our divisional coordinators that assisted with tryouts, evaluations, tournaments, and other tasks required to ensure the smooth operation of our association.

David Denny and Leigh Anne Dingwall did an excellent job in supporting the communication efforts this past season. Communication is one of the areas which this executive wanted to continue to improve and these two individuals helped accomplish this.

BDMHA Staff

BDMHA is fortunate to have a great combination of full time and part time staff to assist in the general operation of the association. Many of the support staff are on-ice instructors to assist with player development.

Hockey Professional, Andre Lefebvre handles the association needs for player and coach development. Andre has completed his 3rd season as our Hockey Professional. His knowledge of player development and experience as a coach/scout has brought valuable knowledge to our programming.

Administrative Coordinator, Matt Oxford handles most of the day-to-day administrative needs of the association. Matt has been with the association since 2012 and enters his 13th year as our Administrative Coordinator. Matt’s knowledge of the minor hockey landscape when it comes to ice management and administration is an asset.

Jack Hartigan leads the goalie development for the association and has completed his second season as the association Goalie Professional. Jack’s experience as a goalie coach for minor and professional teams is a valuable asset to the association to educate goalies and coaches on the position.

Chris Nyers has completed his third season as our Referee in Chief.. His experience as an elite official and knowledge of how to develop our young officials is invaluable to the association. He assigns hundreds of games for our teams and tournaments during the hockey season.

Ice Allocation

Ice allocation continues to be an area of concern. This is not just a BDMHA issue but an issue for all user groups in the area. Our association is allocated ice times based on the previous season's registration numbers and team breakdown. Therefore, if there happens to be more variability in registration year over year, the ice times received follow that trend. In some instances, if registration is down but then shoots back up, there could be a shortage of ice allocated to the association.

Our primary facilities for ice are located at the Greenfoot Energy Centre (Bedford), RBC Centre (Dartmouth), and Lebrun Centre (Bedford). We work with the representatives from each facility to ensure that BDMHA is allocated ice times that fits with our programming needs to the best of our ability. For the 2024-25 season, we were fortunately able to ensure that all BDMHA home games were assigned to the facilities in Bedford and on the rare occasion use the RBC Centre for games. Moreover, we were also able to shift some of our ice times to essentially block Pad B and C for the whole day on Saturdays. This helped alleviate some of the issues we experienced previously when we had small pockets of ice scattered over multiple surfaces.

Coach Selection Process

For the 2024-25 season, the association put out a call out to accept applications for our highest level teams at U13-AAA, U15-AA, and U18-AA. The committee reviewed and interviewed qualified candidates throughout the summertime and selected coaches for the above levels accordingly. Other coaches were vetted throughout the remainder of the summer and into the tryout/evaluation period to select as teams were starting to take shape. Many of the coaches within the association are parents and we have a select few of non-parent coaches.

Certifications

BDMHA had approximately 234 coaches and 48 managers across all levels for the 2024-25 season. All volunteers were successful at completing their required certifications and we did not encounter a scenario where a coach had to be removed from the bench due to deficiencies. Certifications are an extremely important component to the association as coaches need to meet certain criteria based on the level they are coaching. Certification coordinator, Shelley Hume, did an excellent job ensuring coaches were notified of any outstanding certifications.

Policy Review

After the amendments passed at the 2024 AGM to establish clear MOA and By-Laws, policies were taken out of the previous constitution in order to review and change as needed without going through a robust approval process by membership. Trevor MacDonald, Mike Hurley, Kiersten Amos, and Ken Lenihan established a policy review committee to bring forward some amended policies to be implemented for the 2025-26 season. More policies will be reviewed and put into practice as necessary.

Discipline Committee

As with every season, there are always issues that may require additional attention. Our discipline committee was tasked with investigating and reporting back to the executive committee on such matters. Maltreatment, harassment, and bullying continue to be areas of concern. This spans across all facets of the game as players, coaches, officials, and parents are involved on and off the ice. It is our responsibility to respond quickly and ensure the safety of all parties involved. A reminder that everyone should refer to the [HNS Code of Conduct](#) that was released prior to the start of the 2024-25 season.

Financials

Registration revenues across all programs and tryouts were approximately \$1,103,000 net of family discounts of \$10,000. This was down slightly versus budget of \$1,133,600 since programs such as the Winter and Spring Training Programs were partially scaled back.

This season, the Board resumed some non-essential expenditures such as the annual jersey refresh and continued with a core skills contractor. We also incurred higher certification and course expenses, which were 21K higher than 2023-24. It was the second year of a contract with FinnGoalie to provide our goalie training programming.

Our largest expense is ice rental costs typically representing 50-60% of registration costs per player/program registrant. Ice costs were approximately \$668,000 across all programs for the 2024-2025 season. While we had a slightly lower number of teams than originally budgeted, additional ice was procured for development programs and certain tournaments. Ice rental rates have increased last season with an additional increase communicated for next.

We have also seen a significant increase in Insurance costs for both the 2023-2024 season as well as for the current season. Current insurance costs for the association stand at approximately \$100,000-\$110,000 per year, however a large amount, approximately \$50,000 from 2023-24 was paid in 2024-25, due to the timing of invoices in 2023-24. The Total Cost for Insurance in 2024-25 was \$154,000 versus a Budget of \$110,000

It is expected that the final 2024-25 fiscal year end results will have a loss of approximately \$75,000 driven primarily by Insurance Costs. The loss was also driven by lower revenue because of lower registration numbers and escalation in contractor, insurance and ice rental costs. From a Cash position, the balance at the beginning of the year was positive \$230,000, with the projected loss of \$75,000, the cash position at April 30th, 2025 was positive 155,000.

2024-2025 also marked the sixth year for the 50-50 draws with Metro Force West sales totalling \$11,200 over 5 draws – significantly lower than 2023-24. BD&MHA does not receive any amount directly from 50-50 and only serves in an administrative capacity for the benefit of its membership.

Overall, the current financial and cash position of BD&MHA remains in good shape. The 2025-26 Budget has accounted for the increase in Insurance and the Executive is looking for ways to reduce Operating Expenses to produce a modest surplus in 2025-26 to make up for the loss in 2024-25.

We are forecasting approximately 990 players for the 2025-26 season. The hope is that we will see similar numbers from U11-U18, hopefully bring back our U23 team, and see a slight increase in numbers at U7 and U9.

Competitive

Tryouts

This season saw over 450 players trying out for our 21 competitive teams. Tryouts began on September 15th and concluded within the first week of October. The annual evaluation process involves a number of moving parts and great contributions from many volunteers, especially our divisional coordinators.

In the growing GrayJay Sports environment, the association decided to continue that support with adopting their evaluation application for player evaluations. This was the first year using the application and although there were some kinks at the beginning, the support team at GrayJay was very responsive and was able to resolve issues almost immediately. We will continue to utilize this application moving forward as we feel it is the best way to evaluate our players, not only during the evaluation process, but as a tool to evaluate players during the season.

The U18 division was an area of concern at the beginning stages of the evaluation process. There was a small group of players interested in playing at the AA and A levels and at one point, it was looking like we were not going to be able to host a team at the U18-A level. A special thanks to Rob Maclean for advocating for an A team and taking lead to head coach that group of players. U18 will continue to be a topic of discussion as there is talk about a team being formed at West Bedford high school which would mean we could lose another 18-20 competitive players to that program.

Team Success

2024-25 was a tremendous year. While winning isn't everything, the season was successful for a number of our teams. This was the most successful season our association has had from a provincial championship perspective. We saw teams at every level compete every game and were fortunate to have won 5 provincial championships: U11-B White, U13-AA Blue, U13-A, U15-A Blue, and U18-AA. U13-AAA and U15-AA placed 3rd at their respective provincial championship tournaments and U15-B White was a finalist for their division.

Recreation

As in previous seasons, we began the year with a structured approach to team balancing across all divisions. In October, players participated in on-ice sessions that included scrimmage games. During these sessions, evaluators—comprising coaches, volunteers, and hired assessors—rated players based on their hockey skills and overall ability. Following evaluations, head coaches took part in a team draft while attempting to form balanced teams. While BDMHA received numerous requests for players to be placed with friends, our primary focus remained on ensuring balanced teams to promote a fair and competitive season for everyone.

The Metro Minor Hockey League season began in November, with regular season play continuing through December. In January, U11 and U13 teams were tiered into Gold, Silver, and Bronze divisions to help maintain balanced and competitive matchups. Playoff rounds for these divisions began later that month and extended into March. Similarly, U15 and U18 teams were tiered in February as they advanced through their respective playoff rounds.

Ice allocation continues to be a challenge for the Association, given the limited availability provided by HRM across the various rinks. To address this, BDMHA adjusted team practice schedules by incorporating a mix of half-ice and full-ice sessions in an effort to increase practice frequency throughout the season. For player development, Andre Lefebvre supported teams by attending practices, delivering Core Skills sessions, and offering video review opportunities.

During the 2023–24 season, several teams faced challenges related to roster sizes. Based on these experiences, it was determined that increasing roster sizes, where feasible, would be beneficial. In many divisions, larger rosters helped alleviate issues by providing more flexibility in managing positions and enhancing overall team competitiveness. While this did result in reduced ice time for individual players during games, the trade-off was generally positive. Another ongoing challenge in team formation was goalie availability. Most recreational teams had only one goalie, with only a few having two. Some divisions struggled to fill goalie spots due to players “aging out” or choosing not to return. Fortunately, we were able to fill most of the gaps by bringing in goalies from nearby associations.

The recreational season wrapped up in March with the Metro Minor Hockey League Championship held on March 23, 2025. BDMHA was well represented, with five teams advancing to the championship finals. A special congratulations goes out to the U18C Bedford Coyotes, who brought home the Gold Division championship title.

This season’s success was made possible thanks to the unwavering support and countless hours contributed by our coaches, team managers, and volunteers. Many of these roles were once again filled by our committed core of returning volunteers, and we would like to extend our sincere thanks to each of you for your continued support of our recreational hockey teams at BDMHA. Your time and effort are truly appreciated and play a vital role in the success of our programs.

Thank you to all the parents and players for contributing to a great season of recreational hockey at BDMHA.

U7/U9

U7 Program

As mentioned above, our U7 program numbers were lower year over year as compared to the previous year. The numbers for the 2024-2025 season were as follows:

Group / Birth Year	# Registered	# Teams	# Volunteers	YOY Change
U7-1 (2020)	29	1	14	↓ 4 (14%)
U7-2 (2019)	54	2	32	↑ 3 (6%)
U7-3 (2018)	59	2	17	↓ 12 (20%)

As noted above, the biggest change was in our oldest U7 group (birth year 2018). While the above table does not show the YOY changes in volunteer numbers, it is noted that this group also had the lowest volunteer to player ratio of all the U7 groups. Going into the 2025-2026 season, consideration will be given to promoting our U7 program and supporting the engagement and development of coaches at the U7 level.

With respect to the U7 programming, prior to COVID, BDMHA partnered with local Skating Clubs to deliver CanSkate instruction as a component of the U7 hockey program. Unfortunately, as a consequence of the various restrictions and closures experience during the COVID years, this arrangement lapsed. Despite our best efforts this year to re-establish a partnership with a local skating club to deliver skating instructions to our U7 program, we were unable to make it happen this year due to a combination of available staffing with the partner organization and ice time. We remain committed to re-establishing a partnership and delivering skating instruction as a core skill program for our U7 players in 2025-2026 season.

BDMHA provided the U73 groups with goaltender gear to use. Groups and coaches were encouraged to rotate players through the equipment to provide an opportunity to try the position before moving on to U9. BDMHA will continue to support goalie development opportunities for U7 players.

Players in our U73 program once again had the opportunity to participate in Moosehead Intermission games. We were also pleased to participate in the Timbits /Mooseheads jamboree. A great experience for the kids!

Other season highlights include:

- Earlier start to season – we were fortunate enough to start the season earlier this year, with orientation skates in late September, and regular season starting immediately following Thanksgiving weekend.
- Tim Hortons sponsorship – we are anticipating a reduction in Tim's sponsorship for our U7 program in the coming year(s) as the program returns to its Timbits roots. We have contingency plans in place to manage.
- All U7 groups at all levels were able to have two "teams" each participate in the Joanne Lennihan Tournament

Coaches and Managers did a great job providing a fun hockey experience for our youngest players. We would like to recognize and thank our Head Coaches for taking the lead on instruction/programming for their teams and the Managers for all the hard work with the extras that make the season fun (e.g., Jamborees, swag, parties and more). We also thank all our Assistant Coaches for their wonderful commitment to the program.

U9 Program

In the 2024-25 we were down marginally from 168 players to 163 players at the U9 level, with the overall numbers showing the following:

Birth Year	Registration
2nd Year (birth year 2016)	91
1st Year (birth year 2017)	72
TOTAL	163

With enrollment numbers relatively the same as last year, we maintained our team structure with 9 teams total in the U9 division. As in previous years, the number and distribution of teams was based upon the results of an anonymized player evaluation process by evaluators with no connection to the division. This year, BDMHA offered a separate pre-season conditioning program in advance of evaluations. We also provided U9 players with two orientation skates prior to evaluations.

The U9 evaluation process started earlier this year, in late September, and was completed prior to the Thanksgiving holiday (instead of conducted over the holiday), which was a positive change. The evaluation process used a combination of assessments for core skills (skating, passing, shooting, stick-handling and game sense), with assessment conducted by a team of 6 evaluators (2 core and 4 rotating). We were also able to secure sufficient ice to ensure all U9 players were evaluated over all 4 sessions, which was beneficial for both placement at levels but balancing scores within teams. Based on evaluation scores, and learning from the previous year, we had 2 Advancing level, 4 Intermediate level, and 3 Developmental level teams participating in the MMHL.

Feedback received following the season indicates that the teams this year were generally well placed within their respective divisions, reasonably balanced, and performed well during games within the league.

For the first year, we were able to hold dedicated U9 goalie development sessions weekly, rotating players bi-weekly by birth year. Sessions were led by BDMHA's goalie development professional and facilitated with the assistance of development staff and parent volunteers. Overall the program was well received, with plenty of learning and opportunities to continue growing and improving upon the program for the 2025-2026 season.

Also for the first time, we incorporated a power-skating skills development program which was delivered to all U9 players each Saturday during the 6 weeks preceding the start of league play (i.e., October and November).

Lastly, as with previous years, we continue to rely on a small core group of volunteers in the coaching positions. We were able to add a few new coaches to the Assistant Coach roster to increase our overall numbers. On this note, the season would not have been possible without the cooperation and volunteer work of the coaches and

managers. They all deserve special recognition for making our season great. Our association runs on volunteers, and our U9 program would not be possible without your tireless work!

U9 Jersey Purchase

For the last year, we enjoyed the benefit of Tim Hortons as sponsor for our U9 program, providing Timbits jerseys for all teams. However, we were given formal notice that this sponsorship would not continue for next season. After much work and consideration, the Joanne Lennihan Jamboree committee proposed that the funds raised through this jamboree, dedicated to U7/U9 development and programming, be used to purchase BDMHA jerseys specially designed for our U9 division/players. We are very pleased and excited to report that the recommendation/proposal was approved by the BDMHA Executive Committee and U9 jerseys and socks have been ordered for the 2025-2026 season.

For the 2025-26 season, our U9 teams will be wearing the following jerseys



Development

As the 2024–2025 hockey season comes to a close, we are pleased to present this summary of development initiatives and accomplishments under the Development portfolio. Our focus this year was to enhance player skill development, introduce new programming, and build a foundation for long-term success by engaging our volunteer community.

Formation of the Development Committee

This year marked the establishment of a **Development Committee** made up of dedicated volunteers from across the association. With diverse hockey and professional backgrounds, this group was instrumental in identifying and prioritizing development goals for Bedford Minor Hockey. The committee provided valuable insights and helped guide programming with a balanced and forward-looking approach.

Launch of U9 Goaltender Development Stream

Recognizing the importance of early goaltender development, we successfully piloted a **U9 Goaltender Development Stream**. This targeted initiative gave young goalies access to position-specific instruction in a supportive environment. Early feedback from families and coaches has been overwhelmingly positive, and the program is positioned for expansion next season.

U15 Core Skills Program

We introduced a dedicated **U15 Core Skills Program** to address advanced player development at a critical stage in their hockey journey. The sessions focused on refining fundamentals, improving hockey IQ, and preparing athletes for higher levels of competition. Feedback? (Andre can provide more details if needed)

Team-Based Video Review Implementation

To support game understanding and strategic development, we began integrating **team-based video review** sessions into our coaching and player development framework. This initiative gave players the opportunity to review performance, analyze game situations, and better understand team tactics. # of sessions completed (Andre can provide more details)

Introduction of Dryland Training

This season also saw the implementation of **dryland training** components into our development program. These off-ice sessions emphasized agility, strength, and overall athleticism, helping players build foundational fitness that translates to improved on-ice performance. Coaches reported noticeable benefits in player endurance and focus.

Looking Ahead

Building on this year's momentum, our goals for next season include:

- Continuing with the goaltender development stream to additional age groups
- Enhancing coach development resources and training
- Continuing and improving options for dryland opportunities given ice allocation challenges
- Increasing integration of development metrics and feedback systems
- Continuing to grow and empower the Development Committee

Tournaments/Special Events

BDMHA hosts a number of tournaments and special events throughout the hockey season. Kyla Burry (tournament coordinator) and Stephanie Maidment (volunteer coordinator) did an excellent job planning our tournaments and special events for the 2024-25 season. Thank you to all the volunteers who supported them in their efforts. Your hard work and dedication were essential to the success of each event.

Jordan Boyd Memorial Tournament

The 2024 edition of the Jordan Boyd Tournament was an excellent kick off to the season. We welcomed 24 teams across three divisions during the Thanksgiving weekend from October 11-14. Congratulations to the Moncton Beavers, TASA Ducks, and TASA Ducks Orange on their tournament championships.

- U13-AAA: 6 teams
 - Champion - Moncton Beavers
- U13-AA: 6 teams
 - Champion - TASA Ducks
- U11-AA: 12 teams
 - Champion - TASA Orange

The U13-AAA parent group leads the volunteer effort for this event as it is a primary fundraiser for the team. Managers Tim and Natasha Chandler lead the tournament planning committee and did a tremendous job behind the scenes to ensure the tournament was successful.

Since the 2019 season, the U13-AAA division has been part of the NS U13-AAA regular season schedule and therefore was restricted to host teams from that league. Fortunately, the 2024 event was not part of the regular season schedule and the division was able to welcome some non-NS teams. Unfortunately, due to the timing of the NS U13-AAA early bird tournament, the tournament registration for this division was negatively impacted. We are hoping this will be addressed for the 2025 tournament in order to have more teams participate at this level.

Seasonal structure from HNS and the timing of the tournament impacted registration numbers as many teams were only just being formed 7-10 days prior to the tournament start date. It left a small window for non-Bedford teams to decide if participation was possible and the tournament committee had to secure ice time well in advance of the tournament without penalty. The 2025 tournament is moving away from the Thanksgiving weekend to the weekend after (October 17-19, 2025) in hopes that more time post-tryouts for other associations will help boost registration for the event.

Rock the Rink

This season saw the launch of our first-ever **Rock the Rink Day**, a community celebration that brought together teams across all age groups and skill levels. The event featured a full day of games, music, and team-building, highlighting the spirit and inclusivity of Bedford Minor Hockey. It was a major success in fostering engagement and pride throughout the association.

The association intends on continuing this event and expanding to engage all players as much as possible.

Noah Llewellyn Memorial Tournament

BDMHA hosted the annual Noah Llewellyn Memorial Tournament from December 27-30, 2024. The event featured divisions ranging from U11-C to U18-C and U11-B to U15-B, drawing participation from 66 teams across Nova Scotia. Bedford teams performed exceptionally well, capturing 5 of the 7 division championship banners.

Our 2024 Tournament Champions

- U11-C: Cole Harbour Red Wings
- U11-B: Bedford White
- U13-C: Bedford Mooseheads
- U13-B: Bedford White
- U15-C: Truro Bearcats (Clark)
- U15-B: Bedford Gold
- U18-C: Bedford Wings

The 2025 Tournament is tentatively scheduled for December 27-30, 2025.

Joanne Lenihan Jamboree

Our Joanne Lenihan Jamboree ran over the February holiday weekend (Feb 15-17). There were approximately 100 teams registered across the various levels.

- U7: 49 teams
- U9 Advancing: 12
- U9 Intermediate: 20
- U9 Developmental: 19

All nine of our U9 teams participated, and each of our U7 groups was able to field 2 teams per group/level (10 U7 teams total participated). Teams enjoyed a restructured tournament with different divisions playing on different days to allow teams to complete their games in two days. This change was well received by participants. We also enjoyed changes to the schedule that added one full-ice game for each U9 team.

Thank you to all our U7/U9 volunteers who came out to support the jamboree and our Bedford players participating! This event continues to grow and improve, year over year, due to the dedication of the organizing committee and the BDMHA community, and Joanne's family. We look forward to what the 2025-2026 season has to offer! The 2026 Jamboree is tentatively scheduled for Heritage Day weekend from February 14-16, 2025.

Annual Awards

BDMHA hosted its volunteer appreciation night this Spring at the Lion's Den to acknowledge the association's annual award winners. The association is pleased to announce its award winners from the 2024-25 season. These particular individuals stood out this season for their exceptional dedication and contribution to their teams and association.

Award	Name
Competitive Coach of the Year	Craig Frizzell
Competitive Manager of the Year	Natasha and Tim Chandler
Competitive Supporter of the Year	Brent Vanbuskirk
Recreation Coach of the Year	Kyle Schmeisser
Recreation Manager of the Year	Ashley Baker
Recreation Supporter of the Year	Spencer Knight
U7 Coach of the Year	Brian Gunn
U9 Coach of the Year	Joe Melanson and Kurtis Gillis
Joanne Lenihan Volunteer of the Year	Krista White
Eileen Mader Memorial Award	Owen MacDonald
Most Promising Official	Owen McCormack
Most Improved Official	Cameron Emmanuel
Most Deserving Official	Errol Dopp

We wish everyone a happy offseason and we'll see you in the Fall!

BDMHA Executive Committee