

## President's Report – 2022/23 Season

It is bittersweet to be completing my final annual President Report. After 9 years of being on the board, I have made the tough decision to transition into my final two-year term with the board as Past President.

We were super excited to be able to kick-off our year with our golf tournament at the Stony Plain golf course. Dez Hamilton and Dean Radke put a ton of work into this event and it is such a wonderful way to raise funds for our association while reuniting everyone for the upcoming hockey season. Watch for the release of the summer 2023 date! We also welcomed back our U13 tournament AND saw the birth of the new U7 Parker Tobin Memorial Jamboree. Our Skalicky Dust-Up also returned. A huge thank you to Alana Kirkman and Danielle Richich for all the hours that they put into making these two tournaments and dance a huge success!! Funds raised from the U13 tournament and the dance go towards player and coach development☺

Our association had a very successful year in EFHL, with many teams walking away with Edmonton Minor Hockey Week medals and EFHL playoff medals. We had a couple of teams favoured to head to provincials but, as good competitive hockey goes, experienced upsets during playoffs. Thank you to every association member that volunteered this year at a team level. It truly does take a village. Coaches, managers and treasurers – thank you!! You take on a tremendous workload when you sign up for one of these positions but without you, we would not have a season.

With the AGM upon us, it is a time to welcome new faces and new ideas to the board. Sadly, that means that we will saying farewells to those who are not returning and/or are not seeking re-election. To all those executive members currently on the board, thank you, thank you for all you've done for our association. We would not be as strong as we are without you and your commitment to making this the best minor hockey association in the region. And, to the families of executive members, thank you for supporting your mom, dad, husband, wife, partner etc. in their efforts on the board because I know that each and every one of our executives puts in far more time than is expected of them!! To those that are moving on – thank you and you will truly be missed. I say that confidently. To those that are joining us – welcome!! I look forward to working with you.

I wish you all a restful and relaxing summer and I look forward to another successful season next year!

See you at the rink☺

~Miranda Niebergall