



December 2005

ORILLIA MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

# NEWSLETTER

## Message from the President....

We were off to a good start for this season. We're just about halfway through and it's been a busy first half. There are many teams this year that have a chance to take their teams all the way to a championship. I wish every team good luck in the playoffs and I hope each team reaches the goals they set for themselves at the beginning of the year. I'd like to thank the many people who have worked so hard to give us a great beginning. First, and most important, I'd like to thank the many coaches who make our program possible. They each put in countless hours on the ice with our players, and do a terrific job. The team managers are also important in keeping our programs working, so please say thanks to them! I'd also like to thank the many parents and players who gave us a terrific start to our season. We do not acknowledge or say thank you enough to the timekeepers, gate people and referees in our program. Without them our program would not run as smoothly. Last but not least I want to thank each and every board member and staff member. They devote many hours and a tremendous amount of creative energy to help make Orillia Minor Hockey work for us all.

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!

*Cathy O'Connor*

President

## **"HOCKEY DANCE"**

**"CALLING ALL OMHA PARENTS AND FRIENDS....."**

**ORILLIA MINOR HOCKEY IS HAVING A DANCE SO PUT ON YOUR DANCING SHOES AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT"**

**LOCATION—ODAS PARK**

**DATE—SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2006**

**TIME—8:00 P.M.**

**COST—\$ 10.00 IN ADVANCE**

**OR**

**\$ 15.00 AT THE DOOR**

**TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH ANY BOARD MEMBER OR AT THE HOCKEY OFFICE 326-6642 OR BY CALLING RICK AT 325-7199 OR TED AT 327-8666.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN DONATING A DOOR PRIZE OR A SILENT AUCTION ITEM PLEASE CALL THE HOCKEY OFFICE AT 326-6642 OR ROBERTA MCPHEE AT 326-9927.**

**"BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH THE ROCK 95"**

### *Representative Play Downs....*

Representative Play downs are just around the corner...we would ask all our players, parents and coaching staff to please make sure when they are watching the games that they are conducting themselves in a manner that is in the best interest of the sport of hockey ! There will be zero tolerance of unbecoming behaviour as defined in our Rules for Operation.

- Coaches help the players set realistic goals.
- Parents make sure the player understands that win or lose, you love them.
- Parents and Coaches be realistic about the players physical ability.

**BINGO**

As I am sure you have all read in the local newspaper the Gates of Orillia Bingo Hall closed its doors in November. Other options to recoup this fundraising loss are being looked at with more information to follow as it becomes available.

Orillia Minor Hockey is sad to hear that Bingo Volunteer Sharon Durnford has passed away. We express to her family our sincerest condolences.

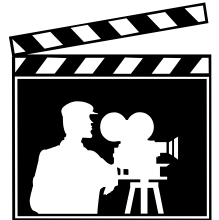
Sharon was a great bingo volunteer for many charities in our City.



**House League  
Picture Day....**

**House League Picture Day will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2006 at Brian Orser Arena. A schedule will be handed out to all teams the beginning of January!**

**If there are Rep Teams that have not had their pictures taken or you require an individual retake see Susan in the hockey office to arrange a time on that**



**"MIGHTY MYTES"**

Parents of "Tim Horton's Mighty Mytes" please note that the last day of Mytes prior to the holidays is December 20th and the first day back is January 3rd.

"HAPPY HOLIDAYS...."

GAIL & THE MIGHTY MYTE VOLUNTEERS"

**Are you a Team needing more Practice????**

The Orillia Ball Hockey League located at 123 Norweld Drive has offered "free" of charge to all our teams (Rep and House League) the use

**Pins & Sticks**

Orillia Minor Hockey pins and mini hockey sticks are available from the hockey office.

They make great gifts!



***Our "Fantastic" Sponsors.....***

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**Holiday Office Closure**

The Orillia Minor Hockey Office will be closed from  
Thurs., Dec., 22, 2005— Mon., Jan 2, 2006

***"HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON"***