



Pilot Project

Ancaster Minor Hockey League and Glanbrook Minor Hockey Association

December 10th, 2018



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- **Pilot Project - Operations**



Pilot Project - History

- This process began approximately 1 year ago
- OMHA proposed a 2-year pilot project to combine rep programs
- AMHL and GMHA boards voted to explore the possibilities
- Project provides competitive Rep Program run jointly by AMHL and GMHA
- Project ensures continuity of community spirit at the local league and house league levels
- Project combats challenges introduced by other combined programs in the area
 - Flamborough – Dundas (Pilot Project)
 - Huskies - Stoney Creek (Pilot Project)
 - Grimsby – Lincoln – West Lincoln (Merger)
 - Caledonia – Dunnville – Others
 - Simcoe – Waterford - Port Dover



Pilot Project - Details

- Provide a competitive Rep Program run jointly by AMHL and GMHA
 - AA/A/AE
 - Atom to Midget
 - Tyke and Novice (TBD)
- AA competes in the Tri-County Minor Hockey League (TCMHL)
- A competes in the Niagara District Hockey League (NDHL)
- AE competes in TCMHL or NDHL (TBD)
- All teams play and practice out of the Ancaster and Glanbrook centers (as provided by the city), on a rotating schedule



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Pilot Project – Operations

- Sub-committee (6-8 individuals) composed equally from AMHL and GMHA board members who will run the day-to-day operations
- Selection of Coaches
 - Interested individuals will apply to the desirable and suitable level (AA/A/AE) in January 2019 (Date TBD)
 - Independent committee will interview the applicants and recommend candidates to the Glancaster Bombers board for approval
- Selection of Players
 - All players will start by competing for a position at the AA level
 - Evaluation and player selection will involve multiple layers including the selected coach and internal and external evaluators
 - All player releases must be approved by the Glancaster Bombers board



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Summary

- Pilot project is consistent with current Minor Hockey communities
- Glancaster Bombers is a 2-year project, subject to a review after the 1st year
- Achieves a large, competitive and robust Centre with Rep Program drawing from more players
- Allows every player access to all levels of hockey without limitations (AAA/AA/A/AE)
- Local Leagues remain independent and keep their identity and the pilot project will help provide better hockey opportunities for all players



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Questions and Answers