



Lacrosse Talk

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The 2008 Season Is fast approaching!

It's time to dust off those helmets and gloves and get ready for another exciting season of playing Canada's National Game of lacrosse.

The 2008 Peterborough Minor Lacrosse Executive has been hard at work gearing up for the start of the season. With some new faces this year it promises to be better than ever. We would like to welcome Andy Darrington, VP House League, Sandra Ansell Secretary, as well as Barry Larock and Tracy Holton as Directors. We would not be the successful association that we are today without the dedicated enthusiasm of our many volunteers who work diligently behind the scenes throughout the year to make the PMLA what it is today.

With early registration right around the corner it's time to update everyone on what we've been working on for the betterment of the PMLA. It's never too early to start thinking lacrosse! There's no time like the present to get out your stick and start pounding the ball against a brick wall and get ready to play.

Welcome to the 2008 PMLA Lacrosse Season. We look forward to seeing everyone at the rink again and making this year bigger and better than ever!

NEW PMLA OFFICE!

As further indication that our association is growing, the PMLA now has an "official" office located at the Kinsmen arena. Should you require any information we have a central phone line at 740-9309. From there you will be directed to several extensions depending on your inquiry. The Executive will be checking their messages on a regular basis and will reply as soon as possible.

As well, please remember to check our website at ptbolacrosse.com. Any and all updates will be posted there for your information.

EARLY REGISTRATION...Once again the PMLA will be holding an early registration for all returning players this season. All players who were registered with the PMLA in 2007 will have an opportunity to pre-register on **Saturday, January 12th, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** or **Sunday, January 13th, 2008 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** All registrations will be held at the Kinsmen. This early registration will help prevent long lineups that have formed in the past. As an added bonus, all early registrants will receive a \$10.00 discount off their registration fee for 2008. The registration fees for both early (*Returning players only*) and open registration (*New and Returning players*) are listed below.

RETURNING PLAYERS

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| Early Registration | \$110.00 – Paperweight |
| | \$140.00 – Tyke & Up |

NEW & RETURNING PLAYERS

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| Open Registration | \$120.00 – Paperweight |
| | \$160.00 – Tyke & Up |

February 9th, 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

February 10th, 11 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

February 20th, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Girls Only

March 1st, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

March 2nd, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

*** New players registering for 2008 will receive a free *
lacrosse stick**

NOTE: Birth Certificates are required for new players!

LATE REGISTRATION

Please note that fees for anyone wishing to register after the close of the last registration date will be as follows:

\$140.00 – Paperweight

\$180.00 – Tyke & Up

There will be NO exceptions.

HOUSE LEAGUE JERSEY RETURNS

Every year we find that we are missing several house league jerseys that were not returned at the end of the season. It is a costly process to replace these and in turn increases costs for all players. This year and in the future any player that does not return their jersey will be charged an additional \$10 upon their next registration.

CANCELLATION POLICY

PRE-SEASON

Registration Fee

Less – 15%

Less – Cost of T-Shirt

Less – Cost of Lacrosse Stick

AFTER SEASON STARTS

Registration Fee

Less – 15%

Less – 10 % per week of house league past (No refunds after 3rd week of House League)

Less – Cost of T-Shirt

Less – Cost of Lacrosse Stick

All requests for refunds must be sent directly to the Treasurer or no refund will be issued.

THE LAKER CLASSIC NEEDS YOU!

The 2008 Laker Classic will be held on May 30th, 31st and June 1st, 2008 and we are looking for volunteers. Help is needed for this year's 23rd annual tournament. The Laker Classic is the first box lacrosse tournament of the year and attracts all-star teams from all over Ontario. Whether you can spare time over the whole weekend, an hour or two or just be a general volunteer we need your help! High school students can use these hours towards their required volunteer hours. If you can spare some time, please call Lisa Hiltz at 750-0603.

REFEREES

Every year we welcome new House League referees (male and female) to participate in our referee mentoring program. This opportunity is for players aged 2nd year Bantam and older and requires a serious commitment. Those showing dedication and competency may be asked to continue to ref in rep games thru the summer. Please contact the Referee-In-Chief as soon as possible as ref clinics are coming up soon. For more information, please contact Steve Clancy at 745-2766 or sclancy@cogeco.ca

TIMEKEEPERS

The PMLA is looking for timekeepers for our 2008 House League season. These are paid shifts and require a time commitment of a minimum one night per week. Those interested may also be asked to do rep games as well as games for the Laker Classic. For more information, please contact Steve Clancy at 745-2766 or sclancy@cogeco.ca

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB?

The House League program will once again hire a House League Supervisor for the coming season. The successful post secondary school student applicant should have a sports background and not currently playing lacrosse. Lacrosse experience is preferred, but not absolutely necessary. A job description is currently available. The application deadline is April 1, 2008. For more details on this great summer job, please contact the PMLA office.

2008 TEAM SPONSORSHIP

Once again we are looking for sponsors for both our House League and rep teams. Thanks to our sponsors the PMLA was able to provide a well received year end banquet for our rep teams. As well, your support helps supply our teams with items such as practice balls, jerseys and updated goalie equipment. Your sponsorship includes a link on our website, name placement on the banners located at the Kinsmen and team reference in all correspondence. If you are interested in team sponsorship, please contact the PMLA office or email PMLASponsorship@hotmail.com.

2008 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Peterborough Minor Lacrosse Association is currently accepting applications for three Memorial Scholarships in memory of Jay Loucks, James Johnston and Chris Fee. All awards are open to students (male or female) who are currently in or hoping to enter post-secondary education in 2008 and who have played for the Peterborough Minor Lacrosse Association. Applications and more information are available on the PMLA website at www.ptbolacrosse.com.

Remember; please check our website at www.ptbolacrosse.com for any information and updates as well as a full list of our 2008 PMLA Executive.