

HOSTING A HOME TOURNAMENT

The objectives for tournaments hosted by RLHA parents and players are to provide our members with a fun and enjoyable experience as well as raising funds for the operation of our facility. The association will actively advertise home tournaments at each level through various methods; however, it is ultimately the responsibility of the head coach and team manager to solicit and seek out teams if their tourney fails to fill.

Planning of tournaments will be left up to individual teams and the designated team tournament coordinator. Decorations, chuck-a-puck, raffle items, gift bags, hospitality table and work schedules are all items to be considered and decided upon by parents in the planning process. Check with local businesses to see if any would be willing to donate items (bottled water, granola bar, fruit, etc)

Rice Lake in the past 10 years has not had an issue filling our tournaments, they have a reputation of being a great weekend for teams. The activities and raffle baskets are a large part to do that with, along with possible t-shirt vendor. Recent years we have been using Deez Teez out of Sponner. She has come down for Squirt and PeeWee Tournaments.

Tournament Coordinator is someone who will be the main point of contact for teams and officials during your tournament. The Coordinator will be responsible to make sure everything is ready and locked up each evening. Being a tournament coordinator and the time it will go towards Dibs for a total of 10 hours.

RLHA allows each level up to \$100 reimbursement for costs associated with their home tournaments, which can be spent as decided upon by team parents. If association money is used towards decorations or supplies that are reusable, those items need to be stored at the rink for other teams to use.

Depending on what the teams do, the association will provide you with starting cash of up to \$50 dollars in change. After that money is made up in your items that starting cash provided by the association should be put in its own envelope and dropped in the safe. All envelopes dropped should be counted by 2 people to confirm the amount, initialed by both and dated.

All shifts need to be covered by team parents this includes - concession stand, raffle tables, score clock, Gamesheet and penalty box workers for our games only. Tournament rules will request teams to provide their own penalty worker. . Season Team Parents or Team Home Tournament Directors are responsible for setting up shifts for each game or the day and have parents fill such shifts. If shifts are not filled prior to the tournament Team Parent should work to fill in times with parents. All parents are expected to help and no DIB hours are given for working your own home tournament. Using a Google Doc is the best way to fill shifts for the tournament. When tournaments take place at home, most teams are playing away so getting help from outside teams is minimal. RLHA has worked with the Rice Lake NHS to help find NHS members to possibly help in concessions and with selling raffle tickets.

Squirt and above – RLHA will pay for medallions for all 1st place team members, as well as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place team trophies.

All profits received from the tournament fundraising efforts go back to the association.