

Komet Tales



Periodic newsletter of the Jack McGee Kawartha Komets Special Needs Hockey Program

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KAWARTHA KOMETS IN KITCHENER...



The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** wrapped up another successful season at the **Special Hockey International Tournament** in Kitchener, March 14th – 16th.

All three teams with a total of 51 players participated with each team playing four games. A total of 50 teams competed in the three-day event with entries from England, the United States and Canada.

The Komets played the Spice Jets from London, England, the Bucks County (Pennsylvania) Admirals, the Detroit M.O.R.C. Stars plus teams from Ottawa, North York, Guelph, Innisfil, Kitchener, Orangeville, Don Mills and St. Catharines.

Opening ceremonies were held in the **Kitchener Memorial Auditorium** (The Aud), home of the **Kitchener Rangers**, one of the tournament's primary sponsors.

The festivities wrapped up with a Saturday evening banquet attended by 2,000 players, families and friends. Next year's **Special Hockey International Tournament** will be held in Ann Arbor, Michigan and plans are already in the works for the **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** to participate.

LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS...

The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** are always looking for new players to join our ever-expanding program. If you have children, teens or adults, male or female, who, for whatever reason, have not been able to play hockey, please get in touch with us. Call **Carol Fisher** at (705) 750-0655 (home) or (705) 868-8825 (cell) or e-mail the Komets at dwfisher@nexicom.net

The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** have never turned anyone away. Our registration fee is \$275.00 per year. This includes the use of a Komets jersey and socks, ice time, special events, a year-end banquet, a trophy and insurance. Funding sources are available for those who might need financial help.



KAWARTHA KOMETS LEADING PARADE...



The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** have been chosen to be the Honorary Parade Marshalls for the annual Canada Day festivities this year. We were invited by the planning committee to attend the Press Conference and we're excited about this great opportunity.

What better way to celebrate our great nation's birthday and get wonderful exposure for the **Komets** than by leading the parade down George Street bearing the flags of our city and nation.

We had already planned on participating in the parade but this honour was a pleasant surprise and we look forward to having as many of our players, coaches, volunteers and families getting involved as possible.

BLAZE KOMETS, BLAZE!

MORE EXCITING NEWS...

Sorry...but the cat can't be let out of the bag yet (...oops, it's the mouse, not the cat). The Komets will keep you posted on several new initiatives that are in the works. Looks like **YEAR # 5** is going to be an exceptional one. Keep checking your e-mails and our website regularly for fast-breaking news on upcoming events.



"Making Dreams Come True"



...with the Jack McGee Kawartha Komets Special Needs Hockey Program?

The Komets are excited to announce a number of new additions to our Special Needs Hockey Program.

Our Board of Directors meet regularly and we have approved several new initiatives that will greatly enhance our organization.

We plan on instituting the following committees/positions as we prepare for season # 5:

- **PARENT COMMITTEE** – This committee will bring issues, ideas & suggestions from our parents, players and families to our board meetings on a regular basis. The committee will act as a liaison between the parents and the board. The Parents Committee should help to minimize and hopefully eliminate any situations which might arise and which, before this initiative was implemented, may have gone unnoticed and, as a result, not dealt with.
- **DIRECTOR OF COACHING** – This individual will oversee the coaching at all levels of the Komets organization and will ensure that each team's coaches are employing skill sessions that will benefit our players. The Director of Coaching will ensure that our coaching staff is buying into the Komets' philosophy and understanding the challenges and barriers that our players deal with.
- **DISCIPLINARY REVIEW COMMITTEE** – This committee will ensure that the Codes of Conduct for players and families are workable and that any disciplinary action deemed necessary is fair and equitable.

The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets Special Needs Hockey Program** will continue to ensure that every player, coach, volunteer and family is treated with respect and equality and that our inclusive policy is strictly adhered to.

In addition to the above-mentioned changes, a committee of our board is presently working on a Constitution for the Kawartha Komets. We will then pursue incorporation. The Komets will then apply to Canada Revenue Agency to be recognized as a not-for-profit charitable organization. All of these steps will help to solidify our position as a thriving hockey program in our community and surrounding area.

OUR MAJOR CORPORATE SPONSOR...

We are grateful for the generous support of the McGee family. **Mary McGee** wanted to do something significant in honor of her late husband **Jack McGee**. Jack, the founder of **McGee Chevrolet Cadillac**, did so much for sports in Peterborough. The **Komets** are pleased to display the McGee logo on our jerseys and on our brochures, website and promotional items. A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to the McGee family.



Board of Directors

The **Jack McGee Kawartha Komets** are governed by a **Board of Directors** who meet regularly to discuss the affairs of our organization. We have a unique cross-section of individuals who are passionate about the ongoing success of the Komets.

We will be announcing the date of our upcoming **Annual General Meeting** in the near future. At the AGM we will have an election of officers for the next year.

Our present Board of Directors is made up of the following individuals:

Jim Glynn – Chairman of the Board
David Fisher – President
Wayne Dominick

Bob Prole – Treasurer
Carol Fisher – Vice President
Dennis Anderson

Kelly Gillis – Secretary
Wanda Hoehn

KOMETTS KOMMENTS...

- Submissions for future editions of *Komet Tales* are gladly accepted from players, coaches, volunteers and family members.
- The date and location of our Annual Year-End Banquet will be announced soon by e-mail and on the website. Please check.



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