



GCRA A Year in Review AGM – 2023/24 Season

MAY 23, 2024

Agenda



- Welcome!
- Housekeeping items
- Adoption of the minutes of 2022-2023 Annual General Meeting
- New Business
- President's report
- VP Finance report
- Registrar's report
- Council & Committee Reports
- Elections (Nominations and Motions for approval)
- Draw for \$100 off registration
- Adjournment of 2023-2024 Annual General Meeting

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS



1. Please stay logged on for the entirety of the meeting; at the end a draw will be made for \$100 off 2024 registration
2. Please keep your mic on mute until question period.
3. If you have a comment or question, please pop it in the chat. The chat will be monitored and questions/comments will be brought up to the council members for response
4. As this is your association, we will be motioning the approval of a few items, we welcome you to second/support motions as they come up, when you do, please come off mic and state your name and then indicate that you second the motion. Alternatively, if you are abstaining or opposing a motion, please come off mic and state your name. Meeting minutes/notes are recorded and we would like to ensure all is documented accurately.
5. We are always looking for volunteers!! You have the next 90 minutes (and beyond) to determine where your talents can best be used! 😊 if you would like descriptions for any of the vacant positions, please don't hesitate to reach out to gcra.secretary22@gmail.com or consult the GCRA website.

2023/24 Councils Councils



Executive Council	
President	Vanessa Jones
Secretary	Lindsay Sanford
Executive VP	<i>vacant</i>
VP Finance	Andi Worrell
VP Operations	Darlene Pickup
VP Administration	Carissa Morris
VP Development	Josee Sabourin
Director Discipline	<i>vacant</i>
Director Finance	<i>vacant</i>
Ice Scheduler	Sarah Dawson
Director at Large	Nicole Hicks
Past President	
<i>Director Competitive</i>	Dave Mainwood
<i>Director Regional</i>	Ashley Ruelland
<i>Director FUNdamentals</i>	<i>vacant</i>
Registrar	Amy Grosset

Administrative Council	
VP Administration	Carissa Morris
Equipment Manager	<i>vacant</i>
Director Admin	<i>vacant</i>
Webmaster	Erik and Germaine Fournier
Referee in Chief	Eve Berthelot
Director of Publicity and Promotions	<i>vacant</i>
Tournament Manager	Melissa Gaudreau
Communications Coordinator	Omar Nalley

Development Council	
VP Development	Josee Sabourin
Director – Player Development	Pauline Wong
Director – Coaching Development	Joel Hazzan
Convenors – Fun, Regional, Competitive	
Summer Camp Manager (s)	Jess Mainwood & Celine Leduc

Adoption of 2023 Minutes



Link to GCRA 2022-23 AGM presentation & minutes: (May 29, 2023) Minutes
[HERE](#)



New Business

GCRA President's 2023-24 Report



- Membership numbers have remained steady
- GCRA hosted one Come Try Ringette event last year
- GCRA offered developmental on ice sessions again this year and will continue to do so in the upcoming season (*need volunteers for this!*)
- GCRA Executive is always looking for new volunteers, but it still remains a challenge. Please consider volunteering
- Replaced all jerseys before last season began - they look great and we hope you like them!
- Ran a VERY successful volunteer appreciation night in April 2024 - thanks to those who have helped out and helped make 2023-2024 successful!!
- Successful tryouts in April 2024 for U14/16 A/AA using the tryout app -**no more paper!** - # of players and amount of ice time was a challenge. We will work to avoid this for the future.
- There were a lot of players at the U16 level and will look at having two ice times per tryout for each U16AA/A division
- U19AA - for 2023/2024 season, big changes coming next season with only two regional teams. Congratulations to Celine Leduc and Dave Mainwood who were chosen to each coach a team!
- Given this change, we expect a lot of players at the U19A level and will look at having two ice times per tryout for each division



		2023-2024	2022-2023	2021-2022
		As of 31/03/2024	as of 31/05/2023	As of 30/04/2022
Revenues				
	Registration	181,280.91	175,266.58	178,428.91
	Tryouts Fees	9,840.00	15,080.00	25,208.00
	Skills Programs	26,725.00	19,655.00	14,350.00
	Tournament	5,445.05	7,089.35	6,889.48
	Summer Program	4,614.92	4,999.96	1,000.00
	Misc Revenue	107.48	111.03	
	Total Revenue	228,013.36	222,201.92	225,876.39
Expenses				
	Ice (Net)	148,588.29	133,403.66	148,823.84
	Ringette Ontario	7,888.21	6,776.00	24,278.00
	Referees	9,036.30	8,767.00	6,458.17
	NCRRL/LERQ/ERRA	1,850.00	7,210.00	592.17
	Other Sport Related	14,234.70	14,744.14	6,036.90
	Administration & Travel	2,522.68	1,133.94	510.38
	Other Operating	2,325.58	2,362.73	4,834.58
	Equipment & Storage	3,919.23	2,194.82	3,488.70
	Software & Support	7,459.98	6,104.29	2,345.56
	Miscellaneous	1,617.41	1,613.72	0.00
	Training & Bench Staff	1,290.60	666.04	1,029.35
	Total Expenses	200,732.98	184,976.34	198,397.65
	Net Profit (Loss)	27,280.38	37,225.58	27,478.74

Income Statement as of March 31st, 2024

Financial Highlights 2023-24



- Current financial position as of March 31st is on track for our budgeted fiscal year ending May 31st.
- There are still some expected revenues and expenses to come in for the season but our bottom line is expected to align with projections.
- Tryout fees reported are lower due to reporting date. More registration came through after March 31st.
- Registration stayed the same per registered participants.
- Cost of ice will continue to be our largest expense.
- Administration expenses slightly higher from implementation of tryout software and hardware.

Financial Highlights 2023-24



Bernie Cockburn Fund

- We had a successful fundraising event, by selling our old game jerseys to our membership. This initiative raised just over \$1,100. The membership also contributed just over \$400 in small donations at registration.
- This season, the fund allowed 5 players to continue to participate in ringette.
- The fund currently stands at \$3,014.16

Thank you to all who help make this possible!

Equipment Fund

- A big thank you to Carissa Morris and all her helpers, for the time and effort in getting our new jerseys on our athletes. Our **Devils** looks great out there!
- Our equipment fund balance currently stands at \$12,691.14

GCRA Scholarships

- GCRA provides annual scholarships to ringette players, entering post-secondary studies, who have demonstrated a commitment to the sport of ringette through playing and volunteering. This season we did not have any applicants.
For more information on this scholarship, please visit our website

Team and Player Sponsorships




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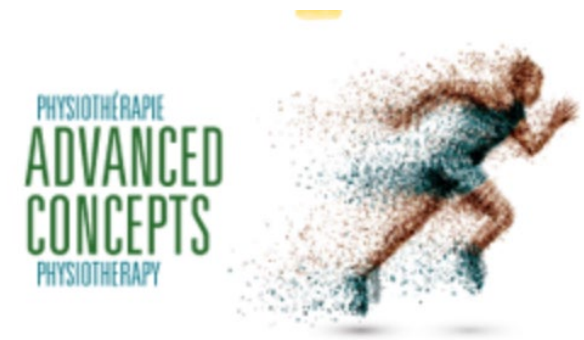


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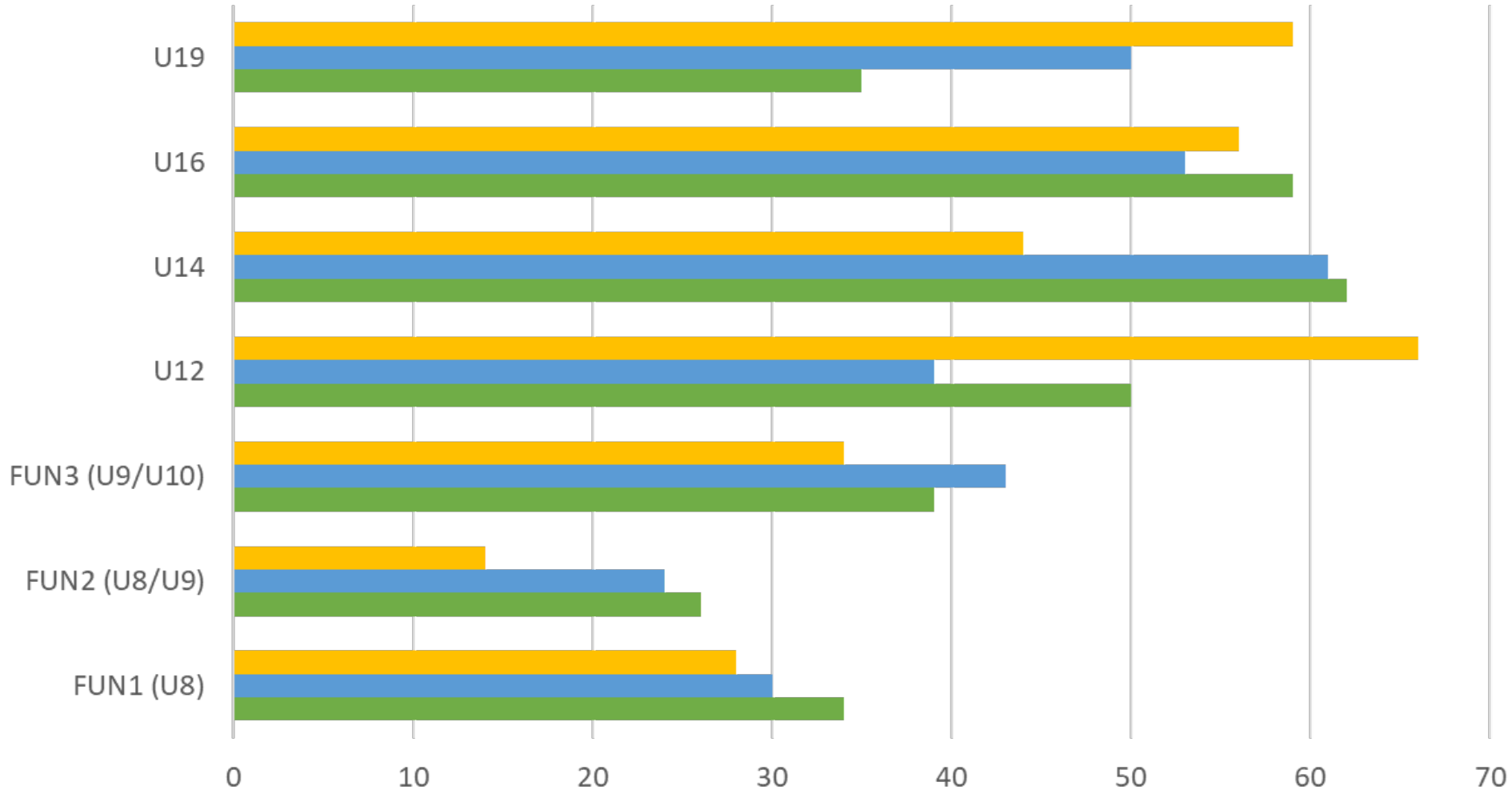


Team and Player Sponsorships





Registration Numbers by Division



2023
2022
2021

2023: 301
2022: 300
2021: 305

	FUN1 (U8)	FUN2 (U8/U9)	FUN3 (U9/U10)	U12	U14	U16	U19
2023	28	14	34	66	44	56	59
2022	30	24	43	39	61	53	50
2021	34	26	39	50	62	59	35

Council & Committee Reports

Jersey Replacement and Logo Refresh



Didn't our **Devils** look fresh and sharp on the ice in their brand new jerseys this season!

This year we worked with *Kat B Design studio* to refresh our logo and teamwear logo.

The graphic designer created a simple "D" monogram and our favourite little Devil is back for any GCRA gear and attire you'd like to order.



Volunteer Appreciation Night



We held a successful *Volunteer Appreciation night* on April 5th, once again, at Moose McGuire's. We had close to 60 volunteers in attendance. This is by far the biggest turnout in years!!

Thank you again to all the volunteers that work hard within teams and the GCRA!!

We have plenty of volunteer positions open within the organization. Please see our website for volunteer opportunities or contact Vanessa Jones at gcrafin@gmail.com for more information.

You can even get your athletes involved and get their high school volunteer hours at our annual GCRA tournament or helping with registration for tryouts.





Operations – Regional Report

- **10 teams - 2 More than last year!**
 - 1 x U12 C, 3 x U12B, 1 x U12 A, 1 x U14B, 2 x U16B, 2 x 19B
- **NCRRL Results**
 - U12 C Ruelland - Silver
 - U12 B Pinheiro - Gold
 - U16 B Daly - Silver
 - U19 B Marsh - Silver
 - U19 B Bergeron - Gold
 - U12 B Nasr/Nehme and U12A McDonald attended the Ringette Ontario U12 Championship
- Fall sort-outs: Dates will be 1st - 3rd week of September, U12 Warm Up - Last week in August
- Challenges: Coach Recruitment
- **Looking for Regional Director/Convenors** to shadow sort-out process and team start-up

Operations – Competitive Report

- GCRA was represented at the AAA level that competed at the Ontario Winter Games. There were nine U19's and two U16's competing.
 - Two U19 athletes were on the Team Green who won gold.
 - One U19 and one U16 athletes were on Team Orange who won silver.
 - Two U19 athletes were on Team Blue that won bronze.
- GCRA had 3 teams at the AA level: U19, U16 and U14.
- U19AA's won silver at Provincials and given the opportunity to be one of Ontario's representatives at the Canadian National Championships.

Operations – Competitive Report



- GCRA had 4 teams at the A level: U19 (bronze at Provincials), U16, U14, and U12- (still to be recognized at competitive).
- GCRA had four athletes represent Ontario at the Canada Winter Games in PEI this past year.
- Three GCRA athletes represented Eastern Canada as part of the Elite Development program run by Ringette Canada.
- Pilot program for U19AA in Eastern Region for the 2024-2025 season

Development - FUNdamentals

- 1 FUN team; 2 FUN teams; 3 FUN teams
- Tournament Results
 - FUN3 Grosset (Silver: Metcalfe; Gold: Pointe-Claire; Silver: GCRA; NCRRL)
 - FUN3 Dallaire:(Kingston; GCRA; NCRRL)
 - FUN 3: Rheaume (Gold: Metcalfe; Silver: Pierrefonds; GCRA; Gold: NCRRL (Teal Division))
 - FUN 2 - played intercity weekly games
 - FUN 1 - participated in FunFest
- Challenges: Player Development

Development – Player Development



- 8 sessions of power skating by APEX for FUN2/3 & U12 players
- 11 sessions for U14A/B players (Combination of power skating and skills)
- Partnered with Goalie Central and Offered 7 sessions of goalie training to both regional and competitive teams from U12-U19 (Except U14AA, U16AA and U19B as they have their own goalie trainings)
- 5 sessions of Spring 4 on 4 for U14 and 4 sessions for U16 players
- 2 conditioning sessions for U19 players prior to Tryout

Development – Come Try Ringette



- One event was held: Fall 2023
- Currently looking at marketing initiatives to promote new registrations.
- We continue to try and grow our sport and introduce as many young people to ringette as we can.

Tournament



- The **47th ANNUAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT** took place February 1st- 4th, 2024

Thank you to our tournament co-chairs, Martine Francoeur and Melissa Gaudreau for your contributions!

- We welcomed 83 teams from across the Canada!! (from FUN2 all the way to U16B, U16AA and U19B)
- We had teams from Alberta, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, PEI, Quebec and, of course, Ontario.
- We would like to thank all of our committee members for their support this past year: Karl Morency, Treasurer; Krista Forrest, Registrar; Alison Begley, Medal & Banner coordinator; and Crystal Chant, Volunteer Coordinator. We would also like to thank all those parents who helped on the day of!
- This was the first tournament organized by our volunteer chair Melissa Gaudreau, who took over from our previous co-chairs. Thank you to Melissa! Myself and returning tournament volunteers are looking for new faces to help out for the 24/25 season to help build and improve upon this popular tournament!

If you would like to be part of organizing the 2024-2025 GCRA Tournament, please reach out to: Vanessa Jones at gcrafin@gmail.com

Bylaw Updates and Elections



Elections

2023/2024 Vacancies (even year)



Role	Council	Election year	Experience	Nominee
President (Elected)	Executive	even	2-years GCRA council experience	Vanessa Jones
Executive Vice-President (Elected)	Executive	Odd	2-years GCRA council experience	Ashley Ruelland
Secretary (Elected)	Executive	Even (2-year commitment)	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director of Finance (Elected)	Executive	Odd	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director at Large (Elected)	Executive	Annual	related experience	Nikki Hicks
Regional Director (Elected)	Executive	Odd	related experience	Ashley Ruelland
Director FUNDamentals (Elected)	Executive	Even	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director - Player Development (Elected)	Development	Even (2-year commitment)	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director of Discipline	Executive	Odd (2- year commitment)	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Equipment Manager (Appointed)	Administration	Annual	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director of Publicity and Promotions (Elected)	Development	Even (2-year commitment)	related experience	vacant - please apply!
Director of Administration (Elected)	Administration	Even (2-year commitment)	related experience	Carissa Morris
Convenors - Fun, Regional, Competitive (Appointed)	Development	n/a		vacant - please apply!
Tournament Manager (Appointed)	Development	n/a		vacant - please apply!

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Adjournment

Every Council Member votes at their Council Meetings & at “All Council” Meetings

Executive



Strategic: Aims & Objectives
Official Communication
Representation externally
Council Alignment and Oversight
Financial
Safety, Discipline & Appeals
Contracts and Facility bookings
Association Wide Policies
Volunteer Compliance

Operations



All Day to Day Operational Tasks
Team Formations
All Tryouts and Sortouts
including all procedural tasks to accomplish
Player Placement at all levels
Coach Selection
Games oversight
League Meetings
Operational Issues – Game Ice,
Practice Ice, Fair Ice, Call ups,
etc
Operational Policies

Development



Player Development
Coach Development
Coach Compliance
Mentoring
Learn-to-Skate (Bunnies)
Camps
Coach Compliance

Administration



GCRA Registrations
RO Registrations/ TRF
Insurance
Publicity & Promotions
Communications, Website
Equipment
Logo, Team Wear, Advertising
Administrative Policies
Association Compliance
Volunteer Appreciation

GCRA COUNCILS WORK TOGETHER IN SUBJECT AREAS; Representation all Around