

U9 2021-2022 AGM Report

Somewhat quiet year this year for the U9's. We had 78 kids registered for U9. Last year there were 110 kids. Jason and I split up the 78 into 6 teams, 13 each. 1 A team, 3 B teams and 2 C teams. There wasn't a drop off in attendance due to Covid after our Shutdown that ended on January 3rd. Each team did have issues with kids isolating and the benches were a little empty at times. I'm glad we went with 13 kids per team, we thought that was too many per team at the beginning of the year. Thanks for the advice on that one.

None of our Teams participated in any out of town tournaments due to Covid and trying to find half ice tournaments. Although 4 of our teams did sign up for the Ottawa 67's experience. Very fun time. Smoke and light show as the kids came onto the ice. Individually introduced the kids 1 by 1, and then they stood on their respective blue line for the National Anthem and attended the 67's game later that evening.

All of our Teams participated in the Leitrim tournament as well as the Jamboree for our year end "Playoffs". No shortage of Volunteers. We had a great set of Team Managers that were on the ball all year long.

The only issue we had was one of the B teams played a Full Ice game in Metcalfe against Orleans. The Orleans coached approached our Manager with the idea. The game that was supposed to be played at the other end was cancelled, so they thought they would take advantage of that. I was contacted, went over to the arena and made it very clear that can't happen at U9. We addressed that issue with the rest of the U9 Metcalfe Managers, and that was the end of it.

All in all, another great year!!

Thanks,

Steve and Jason