



YORK WEST
MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

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York West Hawks

As we come to the end of the 2022-2023 season, the Executive Team would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for everything you've done to make this a successful year.

We appreciate all the dedication, hard work and support from our volunteers, players, and parents. We are looking forward to seeing you all next season.

Best wishes to you and your families.

YWMHA Executive Team



Did you know?

Chicago Blackhawks Hall of Famer Stan Mikita is most often credited with the creation of the curved stick blade in the **1960s** — all blades were previously straight — though many others, including fellow Hall of Fame forward Andy Bathgate, also claim to have curved their sticks as far back as the 1930s and '40s.



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U07 Hawks

March was a fun month for the U7 hawks! They finished up their regular games and took part in a weekend long tournament in Tri-County! They had a ton of fun and did very well. Player of the games this month went to Chase Mabie, Hank Sloan, Kohen Seveck, Arden Davidson and Frankie Nason.

Watching their skills improve and them grow together as a team from seasons beginning to end has been a pleasure.

Our coaches have worked very hard to ensure this season was successful! A huge thanks to them: Brody Seveck, Brett Mabie and Mitch Mabie for all the time devoted to making sure our little players learned all they could and had fun while doing it!

Looking forward to next season!



U09 Hawks

Our U9 Hawks are sad to see the season come to an end but the team development this season was outstanding. Our coaches have done an amazing job determining which position each player excels at and helping them to not only understand the importance of each role but teaching them to play for each other and not just themselves. The teamwork that this team has is evident and we are proud to say every player on the team has scored a goal this year. There is no "I" in team and this team proves that statement every game by working together and helping each other succeed.

During the month of March, our U9 Hawks played a total of 4 games with 1 tie and 3 wins. We also participated in our third and final Jamboree of the season in Keswick. The team played amazing with puck control, passing and receiving, shooting as well as offensive and defensive tactics. They walked away with 1 loss and 2 wins. Although James was unable to play in the tournament, he showed up to cheer on his team and that's what we call great sportsmanship!



We are sure for some, hockey won't end here, but on behalf of all team volunteers, we wish all our players a safe and fun time. See you next season!

Did You know?

The first organized indoor hockey game was played **March 3, 1875** at Montreal's Victoria Skating Rink, between two teams of nine players each, many of whom were McGill University students.

U11 Hawks

March was a busy month for our team. We played a tournament in Edmundston March 3-5. The team had a lot of fun spending time on and off the ice together that weekend. Player of the game went to Carter Paisley, Eva Dore and Hunter Nason.

We played our playoff games February 27 – March 18. We had 3 wins, a tie and 2 losses. The team worked hard and put their full effort into each game. Player of the game went to Brayden Greencorn, Shawn Rogers, Dean Haley, Avrey Maillet, Hudson Keezer and Xavier Gubert.

We played an exhibition game against Woodstock Slammers on March 24. It was a great way to end our season. Player of the game went to Xavier Gubert. We want to congratulate Xavier Gubert for getting his first goal!

The team has learned a lot this season with positioning, passing the puck, pressure on our opponents, puck control and working hard as a team. The coaches, team manager and safety personnel are very proud of the players' progress and development this season.

We would like to thank all the parents for their support this season. Hope all the players have a great break and we will see you all next season!



U13 Hawks

The U13 Hawks had a great 2022-21 season, regardless of the challenges faced at the beginning of the season. This team worked very well together, and the teamwork was amazing to watch.

We are very proud to announce that the U13 team placed 3rd overall in their division!

The team was invited to a year end tournament in Doaktown the last week of March, where they placed 1st out of 6 teams and brought home the tournament banner!

It was a fun tournament and a great way to end our year!! Way to go HAWKS!



Did You know?

The National Hockey League (NHL) was founded on **November 22, 1917.**

U15 Hawks

During the month of March, the U15 Team played a total of 7 playoff games and 1 exhibition game with several practices mixed in throughout. Over the month the team had wins, ties and losses, with constant learning and development taking place due to all.

The U15 Hawks would like to thank our amazing coaches Taylor, Devon and Travis for their hard work and dedication to the team. They not only provided coaching and development instruction to the players, but also constant motivation and encouragement, and most of all they made every game and practice fun and enjoyable!

We would also like to thank the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends who came out to support the team at so many of our games throughout the season – the team loved to see you all in the stands!

We can't wait to be back on the ice and see you all again in the fall!



Did you know?

The Montreal Canadiens have won the most Stanley Cups in league history, with 23. The most recent came in 1993.