VICE PRESIDENT REPORT 2019/2020 SEASON

Thanks so much to all our members for another great season! Nelson Minor Hockey would not be able to succeed without all our great parents, volunteers, and players. Your dedication to the game in our town is very much appreciated.

We had a lot of successes this past season. From our Initiation kids having fun learning basic skills, to our Novice kids attending local tourneys, to our Atom kids thriving under the transition to full-ice, to our Peewee kids displaying their ever-increasing hockey knowledge and skill set, to our Bantam kids playing collaboratively out of Castlegar, and finally to our Midget kids showcasing all that they've learned in their several years of minor hockey – what a pleasure it was to see it all!

One blatant disappointment for me this past season was that we were not able to host a Bantam House team. Moving forward, we must do everything we can to ensure that does not happen again. In order for hockey to remain viable in our town, and to continue to develop youth that grow into adults that love playing the game, we must be able to offer "House" hockey to all youth ages 5-18 each year.

Looking ahead to the fall and the start of next season, we can likely expect to be facing unique challenges and decisions due to Covid-19. NMHA is committed to following all directives from Hockey Canada and other agencies when determining how and when to "return to play", and I am confident that we will slowly find our way back to the game that we all love.

Again, thanks to all of you for all your passion, hard work and commitment to the success of NMHA. Here's to a great 2020/2021 season!

Kathy Conne

NMHA Vice-President