

OTHA Commissioner's Meeting Notes Thursday January 30, 2025

In attendance: Tom Condon (Treasurer), Bob Loesner (C3 league Commissioner), Rick Sanford (Scheduler), Jeff Bentley (C1 league Commissioner), Chad Mangum (Friday Lunch League Co-Commissioner), Jim Hildebrand (C2 league Commissioner), Don Klinger (Association Commissioner)

Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves, shared some fun info about their hockey history and their path to Charlotte.

Registration timing

We reviewed the schedule for registration for the summer season - registration is planned for April 1st to the 15th - screen shot below. We considered adjusting the schedule to allow more than two weeks between the close of registration and the beginning of the new season and decided to keep the timing that has worked in the past.

Minimum Age

We discussed raising the minimum age limit (currently 18). There were some suggestions for 30 and mid 20's. The challenge seems to be the transition from intense, highly competitive hockey to the OTHA brand of hockey. We'll continue this conversation and make a decision in a future meeting.

Friday Lunch League

Chad Mangum is partnering with Doug on Friday Lunch League.

Post game gatherings

Reminders

- ensure that we are getting the four pitchers in our agreement with the rink
- remind the bartender to apply the OTHA discount for each member after the game
- the servers take good care of us and make connections with our members, please remind members to make sure their tips reflect the great service we get

Conference Room

We can use rink rooms for our meetings and for your drafts, we need to provide advanced notice to the rink to ensure the room you want is available. Don can let Jenny know - she will make sure the front desk knows so they can open it for us. Keep space clean and be respectful of it's usage - we want to maintain a great relationship with the rink

OTHA weekend event at the rink

There was broad agreement to have an event at the rink. There was a desire to have a common purpose or a cause to support. CanAm was mentioned as a theme. Continue to think about this and what would the event look like - 3 on 3, tournament, Sherwood stick.

Website calendar

Reviewed changes to the website, including updating board members, SE support pages for players and Captains. Rick updated the annual schedule in the calendar on the website that include season and registration information, OTHA Monthly lunch every third Friday at the rink - feel free to refer to it and direct members to it - after the meeting, I know some folks cannot see the entries - I will figure this out and let you know;