

# Vice President of Technical

## Area Report

### October 28th, 2021

#### **Scheduling**

This season, we had no difficulty booking fields once we had the green light from the government. For the boys, we decided to go with Mohawk Sports Park for our Sixes program as it was the most central location and large enough to accommodate the size of our program. We ran from late June until early September. The girls field lacrosse program used a combination of Mohawk and Kay Drage Sports Park. Their program ran a few weeks less than the boys, but were able to provide rep competition on a few weekends.

#### **Equipment**

We had to purchase 4 brand new Rage Cage field lacrosse nets as well as 12 sets of field lacrosse goalie equipment. The goalie equipment is in great condition and most of it unfortunately was not used due to lower than expected numbers in the program. Our boys and girls programs should be set for equipment for the foreseeable future.

As far as box equipment, an inventory needs to be done to assess the needs for our 2022 programming.

#### **Sixes Program**

This year, the HLA turned its focus towards outdoor programming due to the uncertainty of when the Province/City would allow us to resume indoor programming. After discussing with Eddie Comeau (Team Canada GM), it was suggested that we try running a Sixes program as it closely resembled the box game and worked well with the roster size restrictions. The program started off well despite lower than expected numbers. We had 3 teams in a combined U9/U11 age group and 4 teams in a combined U13/U15 age group. Our paperweight program had 4 team. All together, we were able to offer programming for 160 players. Although the program went extremely well, I would suggest that we return indoors for future years.

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