PLAYOFFS 2024-2025

OMHA qualification and League Championships

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| **U13 Doherty**  **U14 Belcot**  **U15 Doherty** | **A - group 6 team (A centres)**  Will play 10 games  Home and home series  5 home / 5 away | **SEEDING TEAMS at the**  **END of ROUND ROBIN :**  Based on total points during Round Robin, the TWO centres accumulating the most points during the playoff will play a 2 of 3 series  If a tie breaker is needed to identify the top two teams, a single tie breaker game will be played before the start of March break if possible (March break is defined as starting Friday Mar7th at 3:30pm) or on the final weekend of March break. March 14-15-16 | **U10 to U18**  **2 of 3 SERIES**  The winner of the 2 of 3 series will advance to the OMHA playoff weekend and  Crowned League champion for their division – (trophy) |
| **U 12 Belcot** | **7 teams One group**  Will play 6 round robin games  3 home / 3 away |
| **U 10 Belcot**  **U11 Doherty**  **U 18 Doherty** | **5 teams One group**  8 games  Home and home series  4 home / 4 away |
| **U 16 Belcot** | 8 teams One group  7 games  3 home/ 4 away or  4 home / 3 away  Playing each team once. |  |  |

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| **ROBINSON**  **U 11 10 teams** | **TWO GROUPS**  **10 Robinson teams**  OMHA final (revised)  **Tier 1 Pelh. PC, NOTL SC FE**  **Tier 2 WN, Well, GC Hald, Glan,**  5 teams in each tier 4 home, 4 away | **SEEDING TEAMS at the**  **END of ROUND ROBIN :**  **1 team moving on to OMHA**  Based on total points during Round Robin, the TWO TEAMS from each group accumulating the most points during the playoff will play a 2 of 3 series  Winners of each move into OMHA weekend.  IF a Tie breakers is needed to identify the top two teams, a single tie breaker game will be played before the start of March break if possible (defined as Friday March 7th at 3:30 pm) or on the final weekend of March break. March 14-15-16th | **U11- U18**  The 2 of 3 will determine the team that will represent NDHL in the OMHA playoff weekend.  Series may begin Sunday March 16th  Winner of Tier 1 and Tier 2 series advance to OMHA weekend  \*\* Tier 1 Winner is crowned League champion for the Robinson Division  TROPHY & medals for TIER 1 of each division  Medals for Tier 2 of each division.  Total of  4 Trophies Tier 1 16 sets of medals.  **The Robinson League Championship for the U11 division may consist of One game, winner take all for the**  **Robinson Division Trophy**  **Winner Tier 1 vs Winner Tier 2**  **To be decided at the February meeting** |
| **ROBINSON**  **U 13 10 teams** | **TWO GROUPS**  **10 Robinson teams**  OMHA decided  **Tier 1** Thor, Glan, Pelh, FE,  **Tier 2** HaldNOTL, GC, WN, PC, Well  4 teams in tier 1  6 teams in tier 2 |
| **ROBINSON**  **U15 8 teams** | **TWO GROUPS**  **8 Robinson Teams**  OMHA decided  **Tier 1** Pelh, Thor, PC, FE  **Tier 2 -** GC, Hald, Glan, NOTL  4 teams - 3 home, 3 away |
| **Robinson**  **U18 7 teams** | **Two Groups**  OMHA to decide  **Tier 1** NOTL Pelh FE 3 home, 3 away  **Tier 2** Thoro PC Well Hald 3 home, 3 away |

**Rep teams Round robin PLAYOFFS FEB 3rd to March 6th**

FINAL DAY to play regular season games is **Feb 2nd**  (end of regular season is 11pm Feb 2rd)

1. **FORMAT for the round robin playoff games**

True round robin Games to be played between **Sunday FEB 3rd to Thursday March 6th**

Teams can play during the day on Family Day weekend and double headers on weekends are permitted. Superbowl Sunday, Games after 3pm must be agreed upon by both teams.

Regular stop time, with no overtime. (same as regular season)

Each team will have one TIME-OUT per game.

All efforts will be made to avoid curfews; however, curfews may occur during round robin play.

The time of the curfew must be entered on game sheet prior to the game.

Canceling playoff games is frowned upon and highly discouraged.

Any games schedule during March break (defined as beginning Friday March 7th at 3:30 to Sunday March 16th noon) the game must be mutually agreed upon and the executive must by notified via e-mail to Vito Scaringi **with both centres cc’d.**

1. **SCHEDULING OF PLAYOFFS GAMES**

The ice schedulers from each centre will be asked to submit 3 to 5 ice times per team and confirm black out dates by JANUARY 23rd (Linda Knisley will send out a scheduling tool January 20th )

Given that the Playoff groups are pre-determined, and the playoffs are a true round robin, scheduling can begin before the end of the regular season. Seeding will occur on **Saturday January 25th at 10:**00 pm and playoff matchups will be created as per standings total points at that time. Please make sure all Game sheets are uploaded. Many divisions are home and home so the seeding is absolutely irrelevant. I will be able to schedule most as soon as we get the ice times.

HOME / AWAY matchup tables for groups of 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 teams are attached.

1. **Tie BREAKERS for ties following Round Robin Play:**
   * 1. If a tie breaker is needed to decide 2nd and 3rd  thereby eliminating one of a team from the OMHA Playdown weekend, a tie breaker game will be played on the first available ice before March break. If a date for the tie breaker is not available before March break, the game will ultimately be played the weekend of Mar 14-15-16
     2. If tie breaker is needed, strictly to decide seeding, with no teams being eliminated from playoffs (1) head to head; (2) the regular season standings recorded Feb 2nd at 11:00 pm will decide the seeding.
   1. Total points
   2. Best +/- differential on total goals for & total goals against. by subtracting the total goals against from the total goals f
   3. Highest total of Total Goals for.
   4. Lowest total of Total Goals against.
   5. Lowest total of Total Penalty minutes.
   6. Highest total of Total Wins.
      1. If Three [3] teams are tied in points after Round Robin Play, the team that finished with the highest standing (total points) at the end of Regular Season Play will have a BYE and wait to play the winner of the remaining two teams who will play a sudden victory Round Robin Tie Breaker Series using the format in # 4 below and seeding as be item B) above
      2. If Four [4] teams are tied in points after Round Robin Play there will be two [2] sudden victory games using the format in # 4 below. Final Regular Season League standings (total points) as of Feb 3rd at 11:59 pm will be used to determine who plays whom. Of the teams that are tied the team that finished highest will play the team that finished third highest, and the team that finished second highest will play the team that finished fourth highest. (1st vs 3rd and 2nd vs 4th )
2. **Format for Round Robin Tie Breaker Game if needed:**

[i] A one- [1] game winner take all will be played. Tie breaking game will be before March break (the break begins Friday March 7th at 3:30) if possible or the second weekend of March break, March 14-15or 16

[ii] Final Regular Season League standings from 11:00pm on **Feb 2nd** , will be used to determine who has home ice advantage.

[iii] The association of the team that finished highest in the standings at the End of Regular Season play will be given the first opportunity to host the game. If they cannot host during the allocated time frame, the opposing centre can host the game. If the opposing centre is unable to host, a neutral site will be chosen.

[iv] Regulation stop time periods will be played with NO curfew.

Each team will have 1 time out per game.

[v] If the game is tied after regulation play, 1 x 5 minute period 4 vs 4, sudden victory overtime will be played.

If the game is still tied 1 x 5 minute period 3 vs 3 sudden victory overtime will be played.

[vi) If after the 2 overtime periods, the game is still tied, the game will be decided by shootout.

* + - * 1. 3-person shootout (alternating one team at a time)
        2. home teams have the choice of shooting first or second.
        3. If after the 3 shooters it is still tied, each team will choose 1 shooter and continue the shootout until a winner is decided. (sudden death)
        4. Teams cannot use the same shooter twice unless everyone on the team has already gone once.

The Home Association is responsible for covering the cost of Ice Time, Referees Expenses, and Time/Score Keepers.

1. **Format for 2 of 3 series ( Team advancing to OMHA on March 22nd)**

[i] Series will be played from Sunday March 16th to Friday March 21st

The winner will advance to OMHA playoff weekend and will be crowned champion of the division.

[ii] Home ice advantage to the team finishing in 1st place during round robin play.

[iii] Regulation stop time periods will be played with NO curfew.

Each team will have 1 time out per game.

[iv] If the series is tied after 3 games a 4th game will be played with overtime as per rules in the tie breaker

Game above in 4) v. 4) vi.

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