

## **Female Juvenile Teams for the 2009/10 Season**

I am encouraging all female associations to pass on to all 3<sup>rd</sup> year Midgets and former players born in 1989 and 1990 about the availability of juvenile hockey. At this moment, there are 2 Juvenile teams playing in the South Coast Female League and we would like to have our own division in the PCAHA.

Our team last season played in the President's League of PCAHA against Midget boys and to say we were outmatched would be an understatement. After we decided to split the teams up, the last half of the season was much more enjoyable. This season we are playing against more mature female players and there seems to be quite a difference in how we have played the game while playing midget to what they play.

It's now up to us to promote to our players to come out and play like-minded hockey and that it doesn't end after Midget. Even if your association only has a few players, it's easy enough to put a team together combining a few associations. As of now we have Surrey and Richmond and to truly make this work, we would need 2 or more teams. Logistics should make this easier than it has been with so many female associations in close proximities to one another.

I've been running the Juvenile division for Surrey (SFHA) the last 2 seasons and if any executive member from your association has any questions, I would be more than willing to pass on all I can. Our team is made up from players from Surrey, Langley and Abbotsford.

Remember, anything we can do to help promote female hockey beyond Midget will give those who want to continue that avenue and these are the ones who will be giving back to our associations in years to come. We need to get the word out now before this season ends and plant that seed.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future,

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