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2010 OMHA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CONCLUDES

Richmond Hill, ON - The Ontario Minor Hockey Association's (OMHA) 76th Annual General Meeting, attended by more than 350 delegates from across the Ontario, wrapped up Sunday at the Sheraton Parkway Hotel after three days of discussion about what will benefit the growth and development of Canada's game.

The OMHA's 2010 AGM brought together the governing body's board of directors, officers, life members, partner organizations and representation from all 250 member associations branches and hockey development programs.

As part of AGM, the OMHA hosted the twelfth annual Parade of Champions which saw 51 Championship teams from Novice to Juvenile attend along with six House League teams who won the first Award of Hometown Excellence for their achievements on and off the ice. The Parade of Champions began with recognizing four OMHA players for their first-round selection in the OHL Priority Selection followed by the unveiling of the OMHA Under-16 Team.

Friday's festivities began with the OMHA Golf Classic which raised money for the Minor Hockey Foundation Ontario. The OMHA Hosted workshops later that afternoon on the HST, Hockey Canada Registry, Long-Term Player Development along with Marketing and Communications. On Friday evening, over 250 people attended the Made for Ontario Minor Hockey Association Open Forum to discuss player movement. Topics ranged from tryouts to transfers and a proposed document outlining potential player movement. The OMHA is encouraging further comment on that discussion through a dedicated email address at openforum@omha.net.

In addition to the 57 vendors at the Hometown Hockey Consumer Show, there were approximately 4,500 people in attendance at the OMHA Annual General Meeting Weekend.

2010 OMHA AGM Highlights

There were many changes within the OMHA Board of Directors including:

- Outgoing OMHA President Marg Ensell (Ajax) graciously passed the torch to new President Wayne Pries (Georgetown)
- Bob Hill (Ancaster) moved from his position as Regional Executive Member to Vice-President Central District to replace newly acclaimed President Wayne Pries
- Frank Palmer (Fonthill) acclaimed as Regional Executive Member - Region 2
- Marty Phillips (Greensville) acclaimed as Regional Executive Member - Region 3
- Michele Sguigna (Grand Valley) elected as Regional Executive Member - Region 5

2010 Award Winners included:

- Barry Wilson (Stirling), OMHA Honour Award
- Kevin Cook (Ilderton), Wally Scott Bursary
- Dale West (Collingwood), George Carver Media Award
- Barbara Downey (Owen Sound), Patricia Hartley Award

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