

MARCH 21-22 2026

EMBRO OHIO EXCHANGE



A WEEKEND OF HISTORY, CELEBRATION, FUN, AND HOCKEY

Embroid Minor Hockey is excited to welcome Ohio families for a weekend of celebrations! This tradition began 50 years ago when a hockey team from Ohio was stranded due to a snowstorm and has since evolved into an annual event cherished by both cross-border hockey communities. Embroid Minor Hockey eagerly anticipates hosting Kent families for a weekend filled with hockey and memory-making. This information package contains essential details to help families prepare for the exchange weekend.

Participated in previous years? Please share your photos!
Send to photos to: natalie.hazeleger@gmail.com



Location/Arena
Address:
Embroid Zorra
Community Centre
355644 35th Line
Embroid, ON

[READ MORE](#)



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EXCHANGE INFORMATION

TENTATIVE WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

2:30-3:00pm Arrival and Welcome at the arena. Hot Chocolate, Coffee and Snacks available.

3:30 pm-Opening Ceremonies on the ice.

GAMES:

4 pm -U7/U8 (Team Red)
5 pm- U9s/U10's (Team Black)
6 pm-U11/U12 (Team Silver)
7 pm - U13/U15 (Team White)

SATURDAY

GAMES:

9 am- U7/U8 (Team Red)
10 am- U9/U10 (Team Black)
11 pm- U11/U12 (Team Silver)
12 pm-U13/U15 (Team White)
1:30 pm - U5/U7 TIMBITS GAME
Chuck a Puck
2:30 pm- COACHES GAME

5:30pm - Doors Open (Large Hall)
6 pm- Dinner
7-11pm- Cash Bar, Live Music, Door Prizes Drawn, Social Time

SUNDAY

GAMES:

9 am- U7/U8 (Team Red)
10 am- U9/U10 (Team Black)
11 am- U11/U12 (Team Silver)
12 pm-U13/U15 (Team White)

1:00 pm Closing Ceremonies on the ice and Farewell

Pizza and Refreshments Provided immediately after closing ceremonies



ADDITIONAL INFO



The arena **canteen** will be open throughout the weekend. Various snacks and refreshments can be purchased. The Canadian classic, **POUTINE** will be available on Friday and Saturday in the canteen.



A **craft/activity table** will be set up all weekend for littles and siblings along with an area to play **MINI STICKS!**



There will be several local vendors attending the weekend:



- Mosaic Outfitters
- Beaver Tails (Sat 11-2)
- BriannaCroc Jibbitz and more!

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HOTEL INFORMATION:

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS AND SUITES
510 NORWICH AVE. WOODSTOCK, ON
1(519)-539-9828

- 20 Min Drive to Embro Arena
- Free Continental Breakfast
- Indoor Pool with waterslide
- Meeting Room
- Across from Walmart, Mcdonalds, restaurants, GAS Station, Tim Hortons
- Booking link in email or on EMHA website-Ohio Page



GOOD TO KNOW



LIMITED ADDITION MERCHANDISE!

50th Anniversary Merch will be available to purchase ahead of the weekend! Sweaters, t-shirts, and jerseys will be available in both youth and adult sizes! Find the order form on the Embro Minor Hockey website-> Ohio Exchange tab.



BILLETS AND BUDDIES!

Billet and Buddy information (along with teams) is located in a google document on the Ohio Exchange page.



DINNER RSVP

Along with the merchandise form you'll find a spot to RSVP for dinner to confirm number of attendees and any allergy concerns. This is required :)



CONTACTS: Veronica Sterk 519-808-3479 Kayla Hamilton 519-903-0387

EMBRO:

LOCAL TO EMBRO SHOPS, STOPS, AND EATS

- KINTORE COFFEE –Cozy coffee shop with light treats and locally made goods.
Saturday Hours 8am–3pm
- EMBRO HUB – Fuel station with quick snacks.
- CORE FUELS (Fuel)
- DEEP PURPLE LAVENDER FARM– 355548 35th Line, Embro HOURS: Saturday 10–4 Sunday 9–12pm
- THE HIGHLAND RESTAURANT– Classic local diner style meals. Saturday 8am–3pm
- EMBRO GROCERY and LCBO (Beer and Spirits) – Snacks, drinks, and essentials. Friday–Saturday 9am–9pm
- Buffalo Ben Bisons– A neat agricultural stop. Can call to arrange a pasture tour. 519–608–3020

WOODSTOCK:

There are many awesome places to eat in Woodstock!

Below are just some ideas of places you can go and eat in WOODSTOCK:

- For some quality fast food: Visit Fritzie's
- For some sushi: Visit Sushi Cove
- For some pizza: Louie's Pizza and Pasta (Ingersoll, ON)
- For some pub food: Visit Charles Dickens Pub or Brickhouse Brewpub or Good Times Neighbourhood Bar & Restaurant
- For casual fine dining: Visit sixthirtynine or Finkle Street Tap and Grill or Elevated, seasonal dining at Tempo

Where to go for Café and Treats:

There are some great bakeries in Oxford County. Below are just some examples but you can see more on [Bakeries \(tourismoxford.ca\)](http://Bakeries.tourismoxford.ca)

- Two Guys and a Whisk
- Whisk and Roll
- Dee-Lights Bakery Café
- Beantown Coffee
- Early Bird Coffee (they have two locations, one on Dundas and Juliana)
- Habitual Chocolate

Shopping:

There are many shopping experiences to see in Woodstock/ Oxford County. See more places here: [Boutiques & Stores \(tourismoxford.ca\)](http://Boutiques%20&%20Stores.tourismoxford.ca) Some ideas below!

- **One of Kind Antique Mall:** Visit Canada's largest antiques & collectibles store with over 500+ vendors 80,000 square feet of shopping. Treasure hunt through three floors of antiques and nostalgia located in a historic textile factory.

Address: [97 Wilson St, Woodstock ON N4S 3N8](http://97%20Wilson%20St.%20Woodstock%20ON%20N4S%203N8)

- **Reel Treats:** Woodstock's only fresh popped popcorn and candy store. Rare and retro candy, handmade sweets, reel movie popcorn, gifts and drinks.

Address: [495 Dundas Street, Woodstock ON N4S 1C3](http://495%20Dundas%20Street.%20Woodstock%20ON%20N4S%201C3)

- **Cheesy Cow:** Cheesy Cow Company boasts a wide selection of locally sourced and international artisan cheeses, along with an array of accompanying delights such as preserves, craft sauces, confections, quality meats, and charcuterie.

Address: [521 Dundas St, Woodstock ON N4S 1C3](http://521%20Dundas%20St.%20Woodstock%20ON%20N4S%201C3)

- **Picard Peanuts:** Home of the Ontario peanut! They invite you to drop by and experience the taste of the Canadian Peanut, plus we have a vast array of snacks including our chip nuts, peanuts, specialty chocolates and homemade ice cream.

Address: [876 Dundas Street, Woodstock Ontario N4S 1G7](http://876%20Dundas%20Street.%20Woodstock%20Ontario%20N4S%201G7)

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Family of
Keith "Beef" Whittaker

Embroidery Youth
Dance Committee

GOLD



SILVER



BRONZE



EXTRA DONATIONS



EMHA Families
/Teams U7-U15

Holiday Inn
Woodstock, ON