

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.



Location/Arena

Address:

Embroid Zorra

Community Centre

355644 35th Line

Embroid, ON

READ MORE



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EXCHANGE INFORMATION

TENTATIVE WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

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

3:30pm-Opening Ceremonies

GAMES:

4:00pm- U7/U8

5:00pm- U9/U10

6:00pm- U11/U12

7:00pm- U13/15

SATURDAY

GAMES:

9:00am- U7/U8

10:00am- U9/U10

11:00am- U11/U12

12:00pm-U13/U15

1:00pm - U5/U7 TIMBITS GAME

2:00pm- Coaches Games (Chuck a Puck)

5:30pm Doors Open for evening social in large hall at the arena.

6:00pm: Dinner

7:-11pm :Cash Bar, Live Music, Door Prizes Drawn, Social Time

SUNDAY

GAMES:

9:00am- U7/U8

10:00am- U9/U10

11:00am- U11/U12

12:00pm-U13/U15

1:00pm Closing Ceremonies

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 showcasing some neat products and food for purchase!



ADDITIONAL EXCHANGE INFORMATION

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! Stay tuned for the order form!



BILLETS AND BUDDIES!

You'll be matched with your buddy or billet soon! More info to follow.



DINNER RSVP

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

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.
- 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.
- EMBRO GROCERY and LCBO (Beer and Spirits) – Snacks, drinks, and essentials.
- 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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