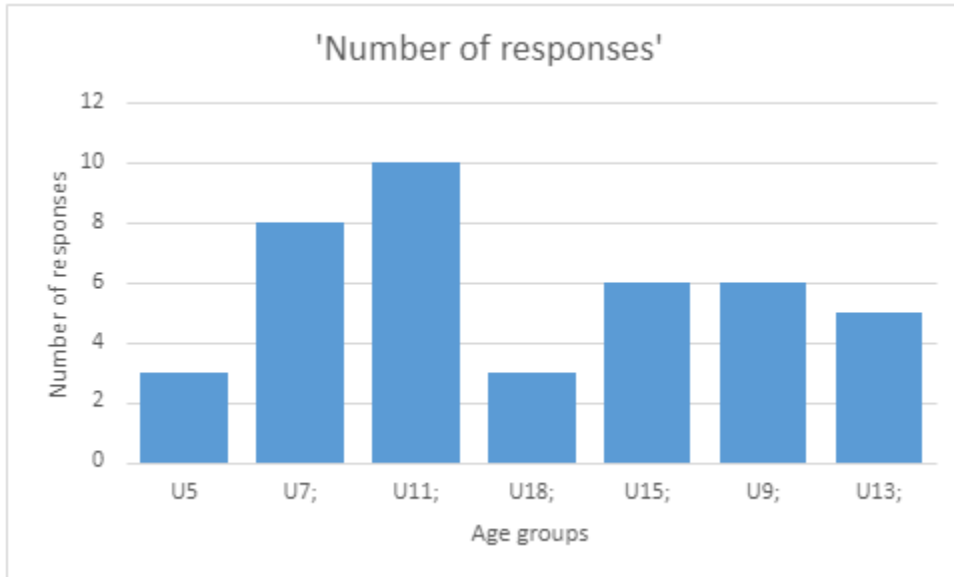


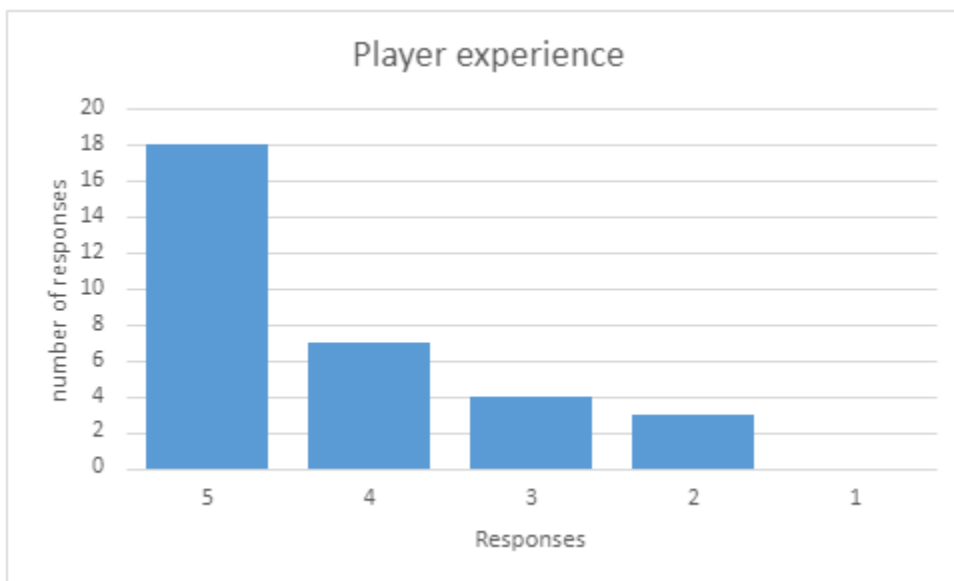
Results of Year end survey 2023- 2024

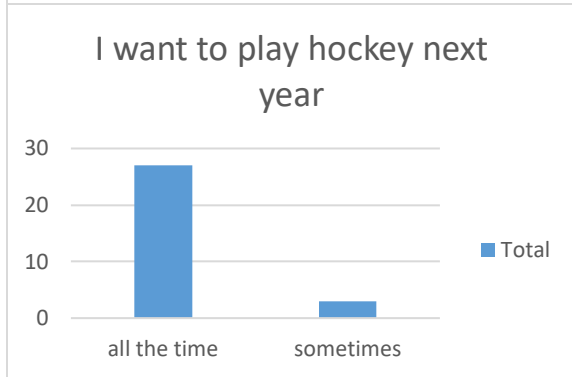
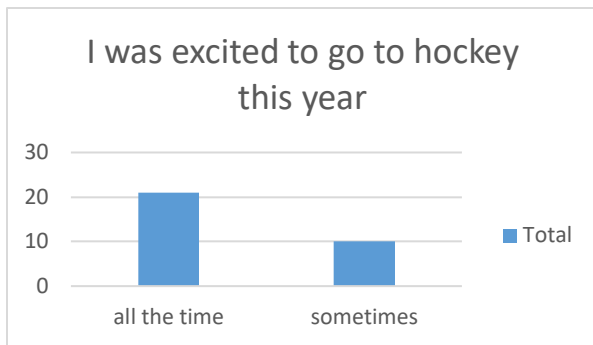
Thank you for completing the year end survey. Here are the results. We had 32 responses in total.

Which age group does your child(ren) play on?



Overall player experience: Please rate your players overall experience with playing hockey this season.

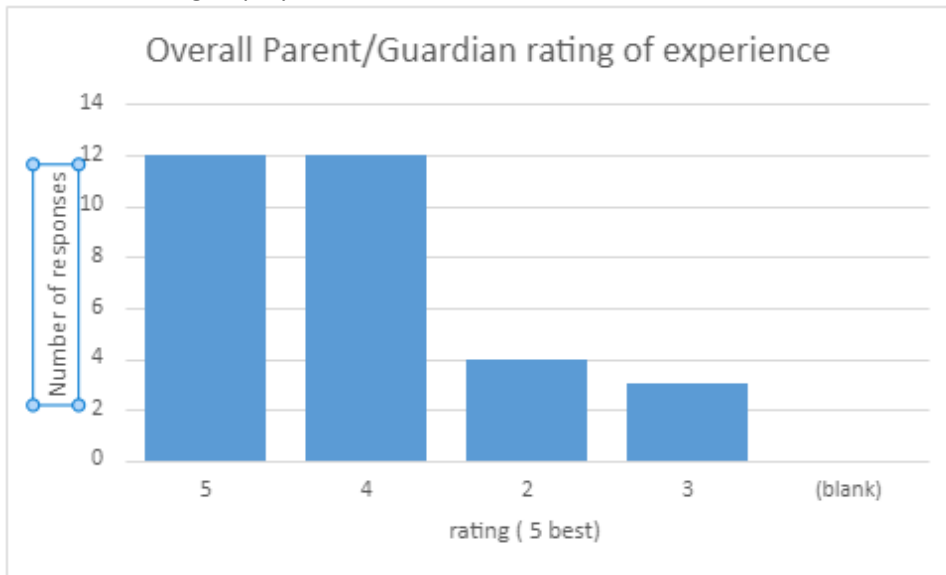




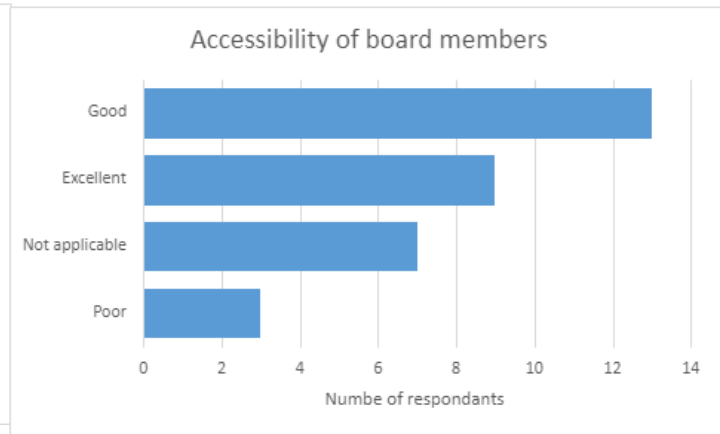
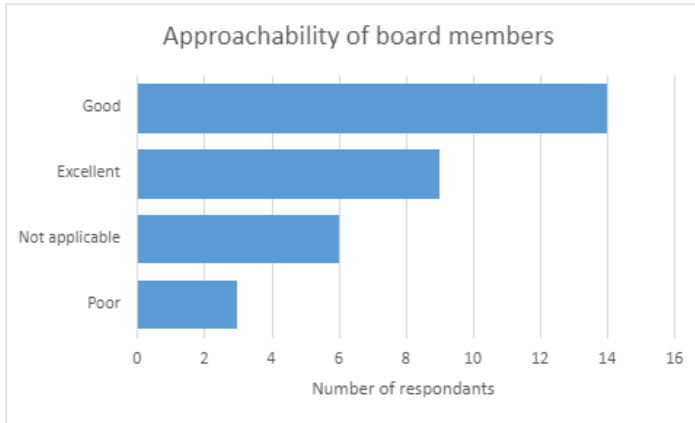
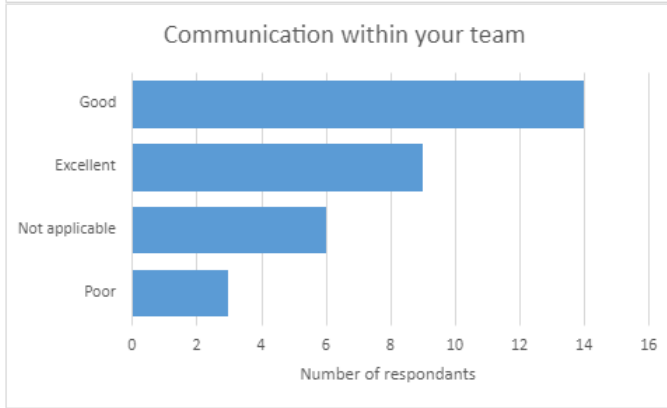
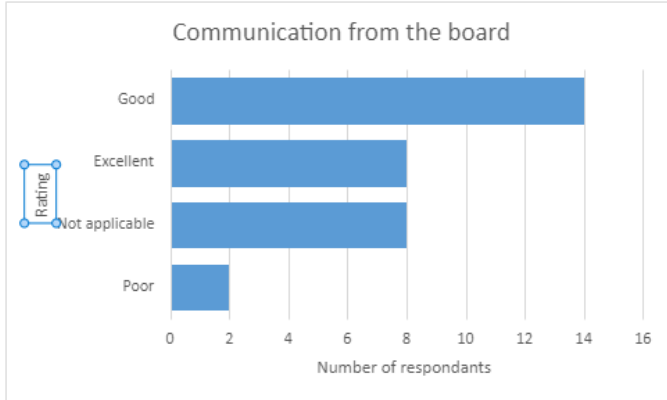
Player comments - What has been the highlight of the season?

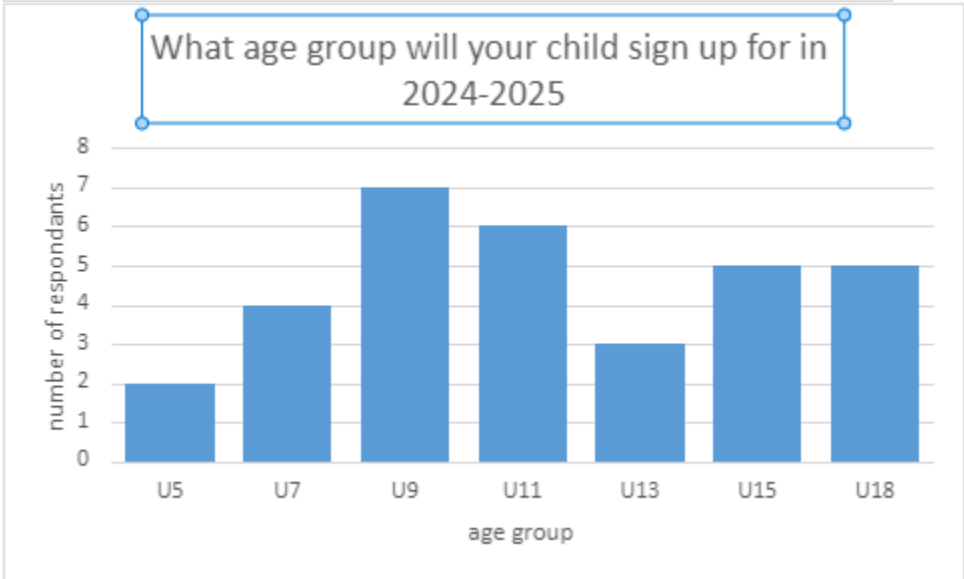
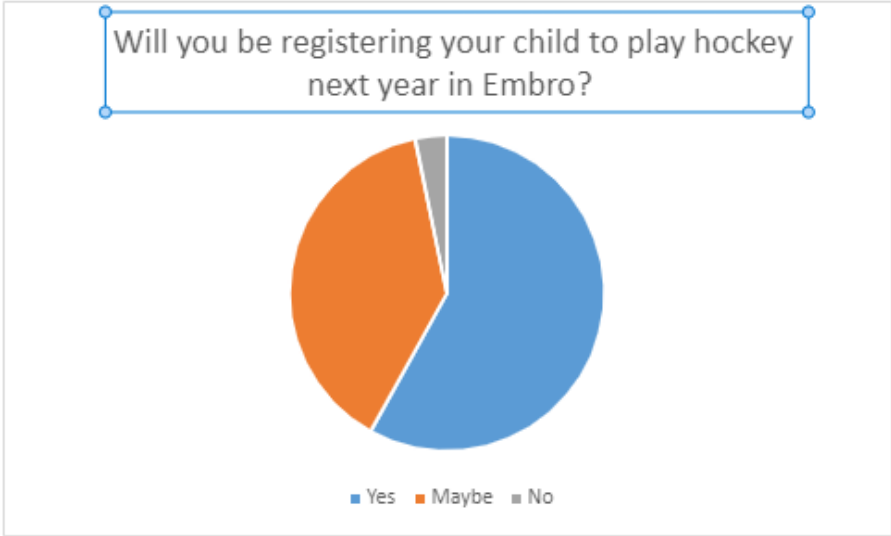
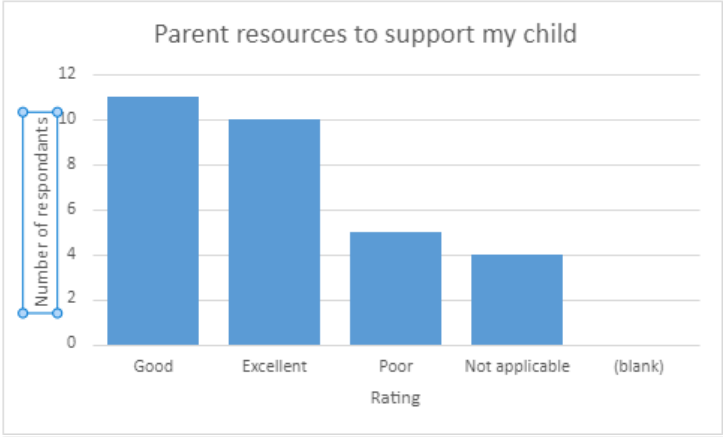
- Learning how to skate
- Tournaments and games
- Making to the finals.
Watching Rich Donker's magic behind the bench.
- Winning
- Drayton tournament
- Skating fast
- Playing with friends, going to tournaments, leading in points.
- Ingersoll tournament
- First goal
- Scoring their first goal
- Playing games and being goalie.
Getting to know teammates and playing tournaments.
- The Barrie tournament
- Learning his position this year and getting his first goal on defence
- When i scored while being tripped by the goalie
- Playing a sport with friends who all enjoy the same game and away tournament
- Playing and having fun with old and new friends!
Ohio weekend

- Tournament and league final wins!
- Playing with my friends and finding a line where I could play to my ability
- Getting to play hockey games finally!
- Team and coaching staff
- Tournaments, Ohio
- Tournaments and a great winning record
- Scoring 2 goals in 1 shift
- Playing in an overnight tournament with my team.
- Winning B division, B division playoffs
- The Ohio tournament.
- My first goal and meeting new friends
- Getting to play in net for the entire season.

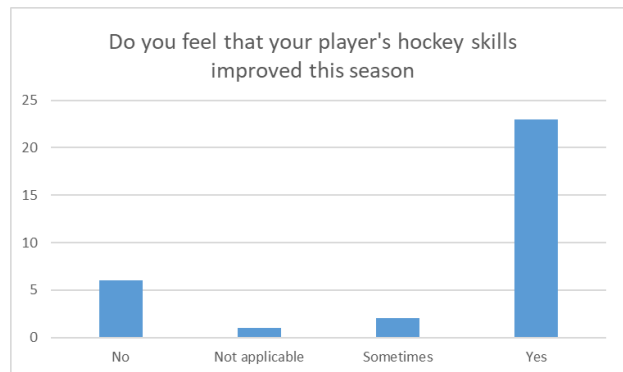
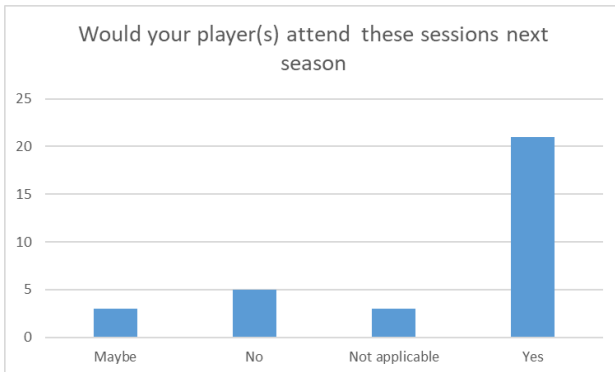
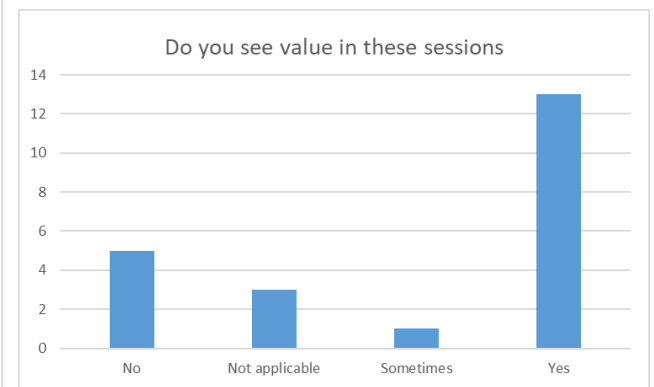
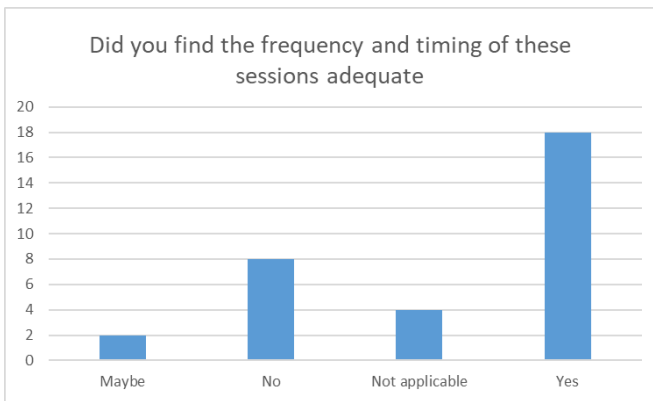
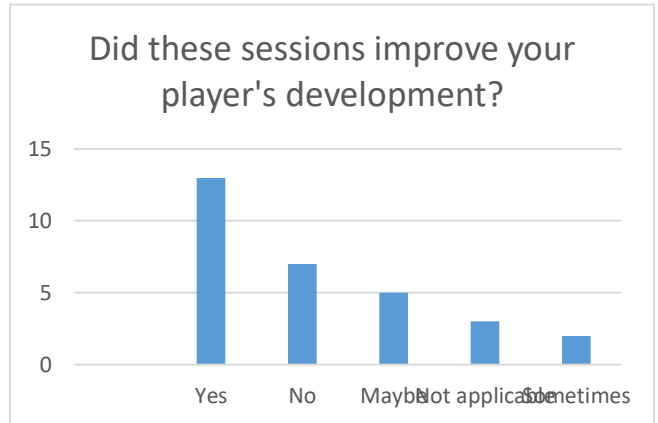
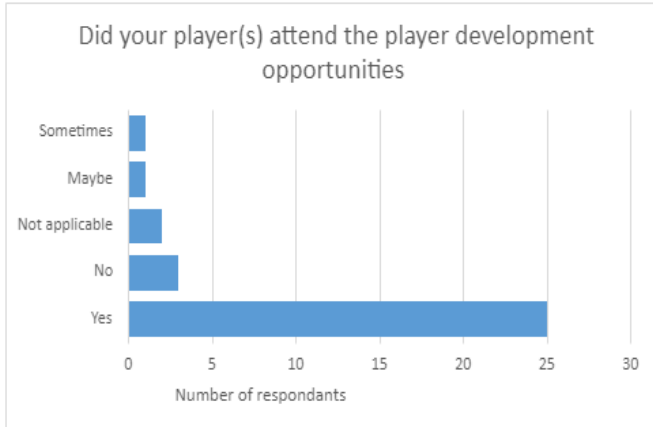


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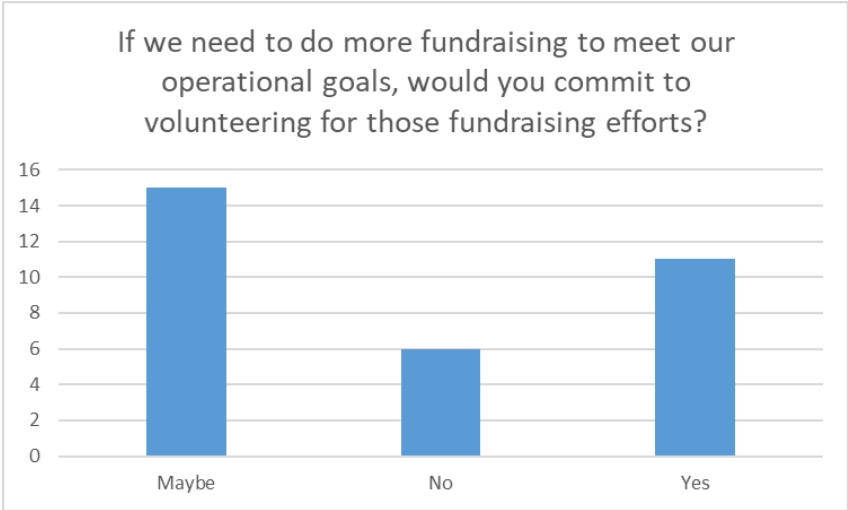
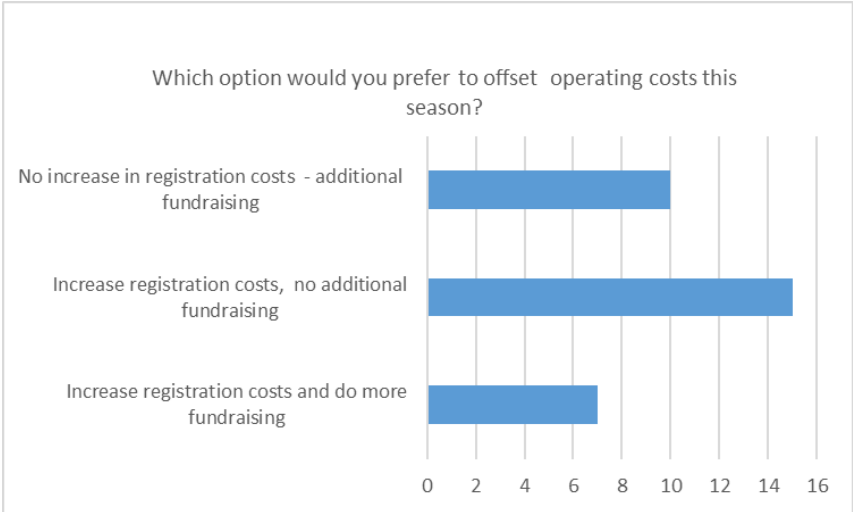




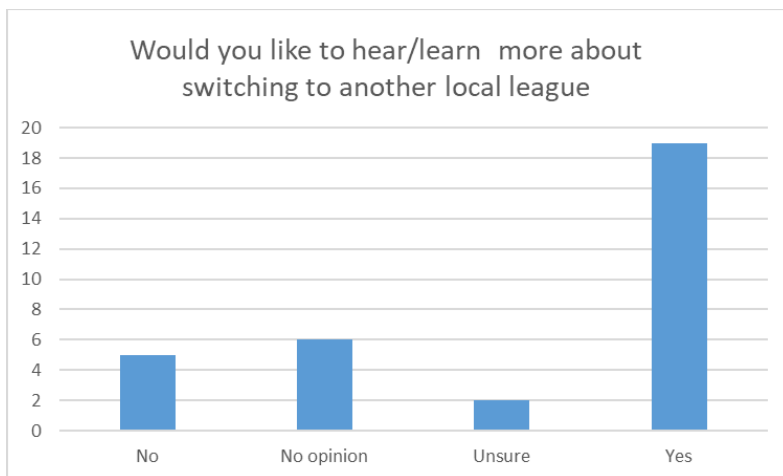
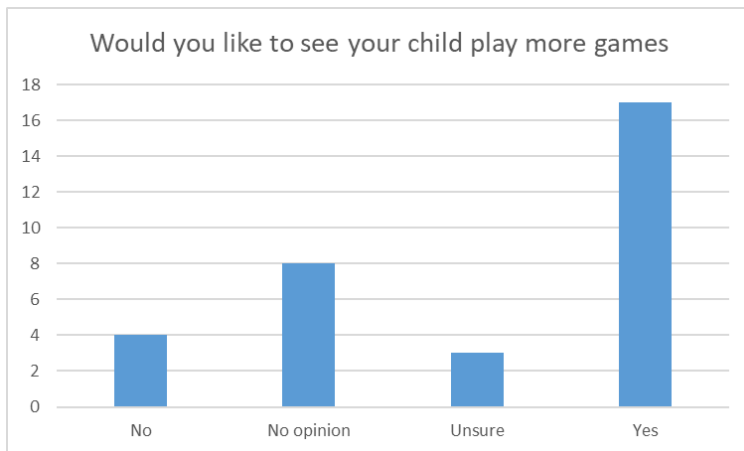
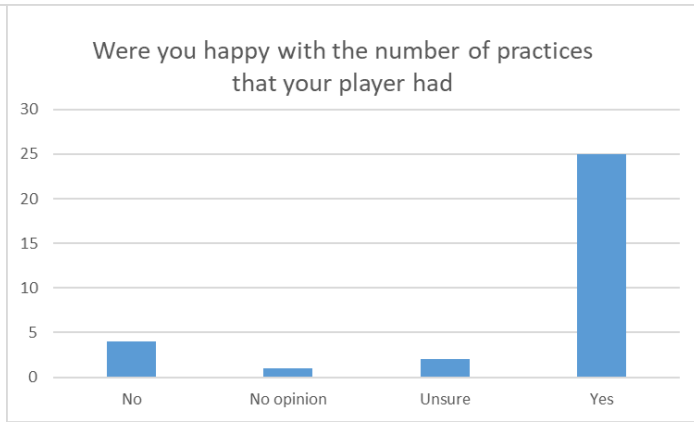
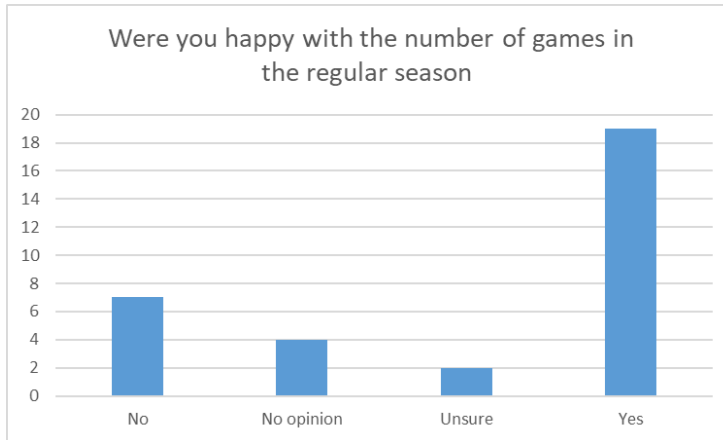
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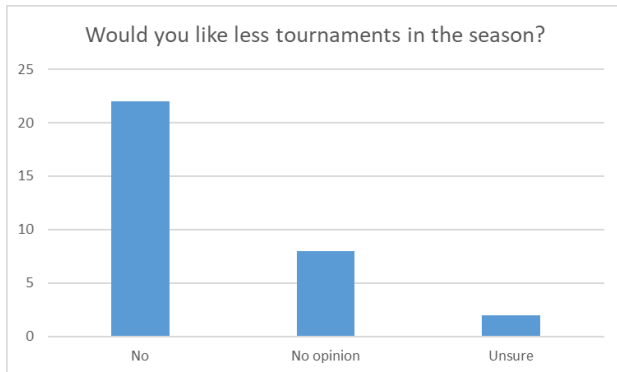
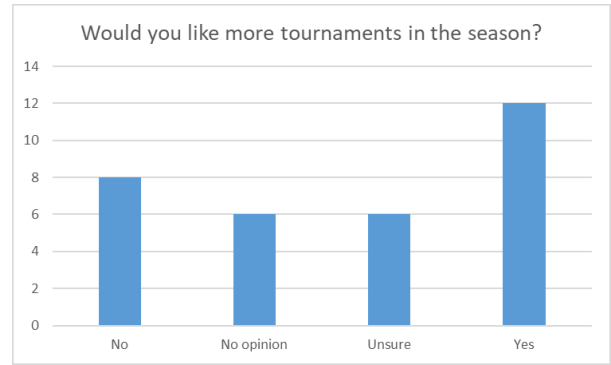
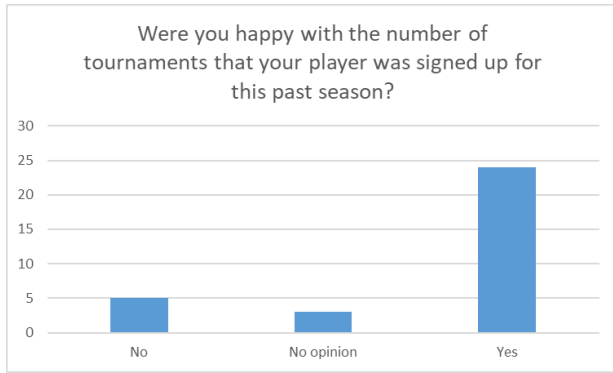


Registration

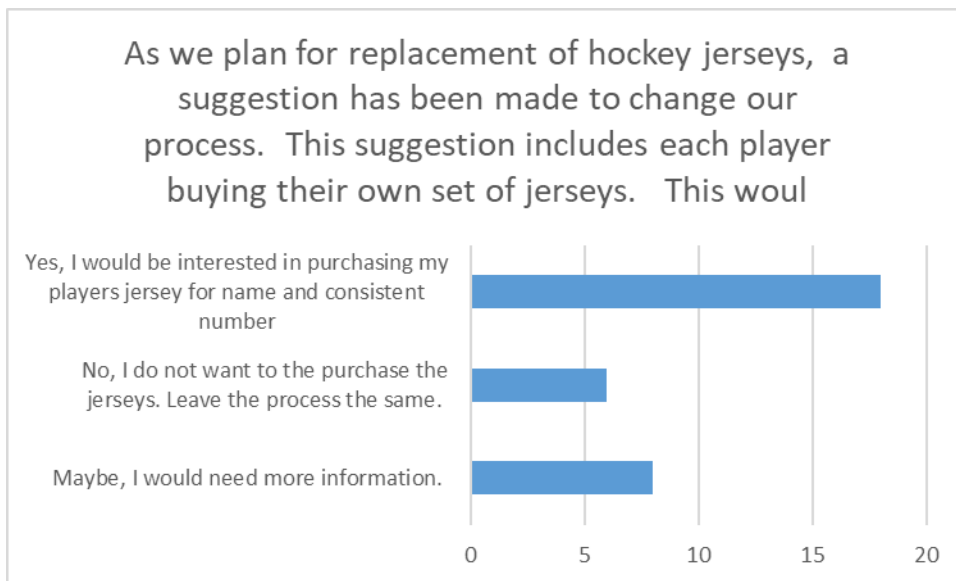


Ice times, Games times etc





Jersey replacement



Additional comments and responses

1. There were comments about lack of goalie equipment – we will inventory our equipment and ensure there is sufficient goalie equipment for the younger age groups.
2. There were some comments about the U5 program
 - “50 minutes is too long” – unfortunately with limited ice time, we need to slot in 50 minutes, and it is usually scheduled at 8:00 am as this facilitates games for older age groups later in the day.
 - “It was not structured” – we are going to work at organizing the 50 minutes better with committed coaches. We are going to reach out to some older players U13, U15 and u18 players for assisting on the ice. We will look at skill levels and divide into smaller groups based on skill to keep kids engaged.
3. There were comments asking for more power skating and player development – we are investigating a few established companies to come in to help with player development and goalie development this year.
4. There were comments requesting better communication and more information about volunteer roles – We will strive to effectively communicate to all using our website, emails, Facebook, Instagram and Team Managers. We are also available and open to having conversations in person or on the phone. Please reach out if you have questions or need more information. We are developing responsibility profiles for executive members, and we have posted some information about coaches' roles, trainer roles and team manager roles in the EMHA Handbook found on the website. If you have any specific suggestions or preferences on how we can better communicate with you, please let us know.
5. There were comments about refereeing and the safety of players – We understand the frustration with refereeing in hockey; it's a passionate and intense sport, and the officials' decisions can significantly impact the game's outcome. However, it's important to remember that referees are human and can make mistakes, just like players and coaches. They have a challenging job of making split-second decisions, often under intense scrutiny. If you are upset and concerned about the safety of your player based on the referee's decisions, there is a process that you can follow to voice your concerns. Please reach out to president@embrohockey.com. This individual will work with the league representative and will escalate your concern to the Grand River league. We want to ensure the safety of all players in EMHA.
6. There were comments asking how we are going to address splitting teams within an age group – we have developed a team split policy that is posted on the website. We will follow that policy when splitting teams.

7. There were comments asking why the U7 age group does not have a scheduled season - We operate within the Constitution and playing rules adopted locally, by Grand River Local League, OMHA and Hockey Canada. OMHA has developed player pathways for each age group that outlines the structure of the season. These can be found at [SEASONAL STRUCTURE \(omha.net\)](#) According to OMHA, the primary focus for the U7 age group is on developing fundamental skills, fostering a love for the game, and ensuring a positive and enjoyable experience for young players. Emphasizing skill development over competition helps create a strong foundation for their future in the sport. The focus is a development-first approach, which allows coaches to tailor practices and games to the unique needs of young players.
8. There was a comment that coaching resources were non-existent – please visit [COACH & PLAYER RESOURCES \(omha.net\)](#) for coaches' resources and practice plans. If you are new to coaching, please reach out to the coaches convenor for assistance.
9. There were great ideas for fundraising on the survey– we are looking for individuals interested in sitting on a fundraising committee. Please reach out to president@embrohockey.com if this interests you and you would like to get involved.
10. Request for payment plans for registration – we have implemented this option in the registration process for the upcoming season.