

Hockey in the 'Q'

QMIHA

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Welcome to the Coolest Game in the Gulf and the Qatar Minor Ice Hockey Association (QMIHA) 2016 - 2017 season.

We are looking forward to another fun filled hockey season. Please feel free to contact any member of the executive if you have any questions or concerns at qmiha.raiders@gmail.com.

We will keep the website up to date with tournament information, game schedules and upcoming events so please check for updates from time to time www.qataricehockey.com.

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Weekly Schedule:

The schedule for the season has changed again (our deepest apologies!!). This is to accommodate changes made by Gondolania Managment

There will be a weekly rotation on Saturdays of the three divisions Vipers, Salukis and Falcons. The new schedule and seasons fees have already been updated on the QMIHA website (qataricehockey.com). The Saturday rotation will continue to be updated every Sunday during the season with the schedule for the coming week.

Saturday Rotation Schedule for Month of September and October

Saturday , September 24th :

Viper 6:00am - 7:15am
Saluki 7:15am - 8:30am
Falcon 8:45am - 10:00am

Saturday , October 1st :

Saluki 6:00am - 7:15am
Falcons 7:15am - 8:30am
Vipers 8:45am - 10:00am

Saturday , October 8th :

Falcons 6:00am - 7:15am
Vipers 7:15am - 8:30am
Saluki 8:45am - 10:00am

Saturday , October 14th :

Viper 6:00am - 7:15am
Saluki 7:15am - 8:30am
Falcon 8:45am - 10:00am

Saturday , October 21st :

Saluki 6:00am - 7:15am
Falcons 7:15am - 8:30am
Vipers 8:45am - 10:00am

Saturday , October 28th :

Falcons 6:00am - 7:15am
Vipers 7:15am - 8:30am
Saluki 8:45am - 10:00am

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Head Coaches for 2016-2017:

Gecko:

Bilal Chawa

Scorpion:

Scott LaBonte

Viper:

Aubrey Pinsent

Saluki:

Marc Haddad, Pauliina

Siltaniemi

Falcons:

Matthew MacDonald

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Important Dates for the 2016—2017 Season

Regular Season

Mon, Sept 19 - Wed, Dec 14

Fri, Jan 6 - Sat, April 1

Spring Break

Sun, April 2 - Sun, April 23

Spring Hockey

Mon, April 24 - Sat, May 27

End of Year Party

May 5, 2017

Details will be announced closer to date

The finale information on schedules, dates, times and tournaments is on the website

Registration Fees

The fees for the season has changed. This is to accommodate an increase in rates with Gondolania.

2300 QR per player (includes Spring Hockey fees)
200 QR per family

Volunteer Fee

(Refunded when 2hour volunteer commitment has been met)

Please bring payment on one of the following days :

October 7th and 8th during scheduled hockey time rink side at Villaggio

An email will be sent to confirm

Jersey Orders

Jersey Orders will open online on the QMIHA website September 20th. Orders will close October 1st.

Please bring payment on one of the following days :

October 7th and 8th during scheduled hockey time rink side at Villaggio

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Jersey cost is 300QR each which includes one pair of team hockey socks.

Players in all divisions (with the exception of the Gecko division) will be required to have both a "Home" and "Away" Qatar Raiders Jersey.

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For players who require additional socks, these are available at a cost of 70QR per pair.

QMIHA Coaches

Thanks to the parents who have volunteered their time and energy to coach our divisions. Without these wonderful individuals QMIHA would not be able to run!

There is always a need for more volunteers to help on the ice. If you would like more information or feel you could help please email.

Coach Coordinator:

Scott LaBonte

Gecko Coaches:

Bilal Chawa

Scorpion Coaches:

Scott LaBonte, Ivo Bures, Kent Aitken, Doug Thomas, Dina Schnurman

Viper Coaches:

Aubrey Pinsent, Matt MacDonald, Scott LaBonte, Steve Buteel

Saluki Coaches:

Marc Haddad, Pauliina Siltaniemi

Falcon Coaches:

Matt MacDonald, Bob Talbot, Markus Schmidt

Executive Meetings

The Executive Committee meets once a month to discuss updates, upcoming events and other related matters. Meetings are held the Al Jazeera 2 clubhouse every third Friday of the month, from 1-3pm. Meeting are usually an hour long.

Please note Executive Committee Meetings are open to **all** parents, coaches and players who would like to attend.

The dates for the first terms meetings are: Sept 23rd, Oct 21st, Nov 18th and Dec 9th

Any questions please email the Executive Committee
qmiha.raiders@gmail.com

Used Equipment Sale

There will be a used equipment sale on Friday, September 23rd from 7:00AM – approximately 9:30AM and also on Saturday, September 24th from 6:00AM – approximately 10:00AM. The QMIHA will have a table of used gear for sale that has been donated to the league.

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If you have hockey equipment you would like to sell, please bring it to the rink during the above dates and times. Please remember that you will be responsible for selling your own gear.

Tournaments:

Please note that for tournaments, divisions will still be separated by age.

The Quad City group meets once a year to determine the tournament schedule for the season between the four cities. Please note that this schedule is tentative and families are asked to refrain from booking flights and hotels until each tournament is confirmed and teams are set

U9:

Dubai - November 18/19

Abu Dhabi - April 21/22

U12:

TBD - November 11/12

Abu Dhabi - February 10/11

U15:

Abu Dhabi - October 28/29

Doha - January 20/21

U18:

Dubai - November 18/19

Doha - March 17/18

Player Movement

Player movement happens three times a year, the first few weeks of the season, in January and before Spring Hockey. In a larger hockey program we would be able to accommodate all players regardless of their ability and experience within their own age division by having A, B, C etc levels within each division. However, with over 140 players, one sheet of ice and 5 divisions as well as a diverse player pool, this is not possible for our league. The way we deal with this is to place players in the division to which they are best suited to allow for player development and maximum enjoyment of the game for everyone. Coaches are now in the process of evaluating players to ensure they are placed in the best possible division. Player evaluation is carried out by multiple coaches in consultation with the QMIHA Executive, no one coach is responsible for moving a player.

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Other Items:

Parents **MUST** remain at the rink during practice and game times or designate another adult to be responsible for your child. The coaches have 30+ kids on the ice and will need your help in the event of an emergency

Please have your hockey player at the rink in time to be dressed and ready to go on the ice on time. When we start games on Saturday, coaches ask for players to be dressed and on the bench 15 minutes before the start of the game so they can make the game line up.

Please ensure that your hockey player has all the required safety equipment including a neck guard. In addition, please check your gear regularly to ensure it is in good working order. In particular keep an eye on your helmet as screws can become loose or go missing

This seasons QMIHA will be enforcing the use of a mouth guard in the Saluki and Falcon divisions. It is highly recommended in Scorpion and Viper divisions as well. As of the 1st of October those players without a mouth shield will not be allowed to play.

We would like to remind you that there is no changing along the side of the rink at any time. Please use the designated changing rooms and area at the end of the rink. Also, please do not leave any hockey bags or personal belongings along the side of the rink. This creates a hazard for our players entering and exiting the ice.

The executive members are happy to talk with you at the rink,

however please remember we are volunteers and we are there to watch our children. If you approach with a topic of concern you will be asked to also send an email.

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Game Days

Due to the unique set up of the

Villagio arena with the bench and stands combined, during games all parents are requested to remain in the stands and not to stand along the bench and refrain from interacting with their child.

The reason behind this request is, we want the kids to focus on watching their teammates, listening to the coaches instructions so they are receiving clear direction from one source only during a game. Encouragement and congratulations can wait until after the game. Parents who are unable to comply with this request will be asked to leave the arena area.

We are very excited about our new season and hope that every one has a safe and fun year!!

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask

Go Raiders!!!

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GONDOLANIA ICE ARENA
FLYING CAMELS

Private Lesson (One on One Class)
 QR 700 - Tuition fee
 QR 150 - Membership Registration fee (one time payment per annum)

Semi - Private Lesson (Minimum of 2 skaters)
 QR 500 - Tuition fee per student
 QR 150 - Membership Registration fee per student (one time payment per annum)

For registration and further inquiries, please contact: +974 4450-7873

LITTLE PENGUINS
LEARN TO SKATE PROGRAM
 (4-6 YEARS OLD)

12 Sessions / 6 weeks
 Monday and Wednesday
 LTS 1 : 3:45pm-4:15pm
 LTS 2 : 4:15pm-4:45pm
 QR 1250

First Come First Serve Basis
 Program Starts on:
 19 September 2016 - 26 October 2016
 Registration: 4 September 2016 onwards

POLAR CUBS
SKATING SKILLS PROGRAM
 (7 YEARS OLD and ABOVE)

12 Sessions / 6 weeks
 Monday and Wednesday
 5:00pm - 5:45pm
 QR 1650

Registration: 4 September 2016 onwards
 First Come First Serve Basis
 Program Starts on:
 19 September 2016 - 26 October 2016