



2019-20 AMHA BRAWO AWARD

Midget Local League - Winning % .656

The BRAWO Award is handed out annually to the Almaguin Minor Hockey Association's Local League team with the highest winning percentage in league play and this season's recipients are the Midget LL squad.

From Haliburton to Parry Sound and everywhere in between, this team started off on a winning note and kept it going right into the MPSLL Championship game in March. It was a truly a "team" and was one of those special groups of players that are a pleasure to coach week in and week out!

The team consisted of a great mix of new and old with Midget "Rookies", Cliff Loucks, Levi Spoelstra, Clayton Johnson, Dylan Watt, Colleen Carleton, Autumn Barry, Markus Krajinovic and goaltender Mason Quesnel joining returning players, Andrew Hill, Vinny Butticci, Connor McLaren, Breanna Dobbie and goalie Daria Sollman. Third year defenceman Clay Martin excelled in the role of Team Captain, while sophomore skaters Abby Flynn and Kallan Ronholm and graduating winger Adam Clarke did a fabulous job supporting Martin in the important role of Alternate Captain. The "over-age" spot in Local League has become an important one and this season was no exception as Jacob Whitfield, Colter Beally and Bryson Holotuk all contributed tremendously both on and off the ice and completed the aforementioned talented bunch.

The season started on October 6th in Haliburton with a 5-0 blanking of Highland Storm which set the tone for a 5-1 record through the end of November. Early December saw the first tournament of the season down in Tillsonburg Ontario and the team continued it's solid play, splitting their four games with two wins and two losses before heading home for one more league game and finishing the calendar year in first place in the Midget LL Division.

The new year brought the same fortune with a January 5th win over Huntsville Duke engineering on home ice in Sundridge. After a bit of a mid-season speed bump, the team got back on track at the right time as the Muskoka-Parry Sound Local League Championship weekend unfolded with an opening game win over Huntsville Duke followed by victories over regular season league leaders, Parry Sound Auto Parts and Parry Sound Tamarack North before dropping a narrow 3-1 decision in a rematch with Tamarack in the Championship Final.

Thank you again to this special group for a fun and successful season. We have had many laughs and great times in a season that will not soon be forgotten. Thank you to each and every parent and volunteer as well for your support this past year.

To our graduating players; We wish you all the best as you enter the next exciting chapter of your young lives. Keep smiling and keep playing the game you love and are so good at and I will (of course) leave you with one more quote; **"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful."** – Albert Schweitzer.

Congrats team on the 2019-20 Brawo Award. Well deserved! As a great right winger once said, "All-Stars don't carry pucks."

But they do carry trophies!