

Welcome Raiders Fans

I would like to welcome all to a new season in Welland Raiders Lacrosse as we look forward to another exciting season.

Last season was a success on many levels. Although none of the RAIDERS won any Zone titles the RAIDERS continued to excel on the floor as our Bantam 1 team entered the Provincials at the "A" level and competed against 12 of the top teams in Ontario.

The 2009 season has again the potential to elevate Welland Lacrosse to the upper tier in Zone 9. A new center was added to the Zone last year and we again welcome Simcoe Minor Lacrosse as a new participating center. Simcoe is in its development stages and we only expect to see a couple of teams in the travel loop this season.

The 4th Annual Greg Campbell memorial Paperweight Tournament (July 24th–26th) has indications again of breaking the number of teams participating over last years 18 teams. The Event is in its 29th year of running and the 4th under the name of Mr. Greg Campbell, a major volunteer in WRMLA for several years who passed away 5 years ago .

We would like to welcome again for the 4th year running, BOSTON PIZZA as the presenting sponsor. The Event will be utilizing both Welland floors and this year the Tournament will also be overlapping several great Events in Welland transpiring over the long weekend. Welland's own ILLUMINAQUA will be hosted on Friday the 24th on the banks of the Welland Canal. Welland County Motor Speedway will be hosting its season finale on the 25th (Sat) of the regular season and will be raffling off a mini bike that day. The Welland canal will also be the site of the WIFC ROW Ontario Provincial Championships along with the 5th Annual Canadian Biker Build Off on Saturday July 25th.

WRMLA, for its size, has developed many lacrosse players and has seen many Zone and Provincial Championships since its inception and this is a great achievement that is due to the hard work and effort from the many volunteers, coaches & parents who contribute as a group to put the RAIDERS on the map in Zone 9 lacrosse.

We will continue to strive to not only keep the game of lacrosse alive and well in Welland, but to take it to the next level and create an Association that the other centers around us will strive to emulate.

Yours in Lacrosse

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Kevin Kucman
2009 President
Welland Raiders Minor Lacrosse