

2024-25

Refs Year End Report

This past season, I assigned 1026 games starting in August and ending with Provincials in March. My busiest weekend was during the female tournament in which 73 games required officials. I am happy to say that no games had to be canceled due to no officials being available. We just had to reschedule one game between two Lloyd teams. Our officials had an outstanding season in which the only real complaints that I heard were when it was thought that our officials called too many penalties. Needless to say, I wasn't too concerned. Provincials went very well with losing teams even commenting on the quality of the officiating. One coach told me flat out that when they come to Lloydminster, they know that the officiating will be outstanding and are never worried about it when they come here. I was very proud to hear that. Our officiating numbers were up by a few for Level 1 officials with several first-time officials. Our biggest need is for older officials that can officiate U15 and U18 hockey as two senior officials have retired. I have also lost a few that are headed to university in the fall. Our only blemish is we had one match penalty on an official this past season which involved the spraying of water, not an actual physical assault at least. All in all, it was a very successful season.

Yours in hockey,

Warren Turvey