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Moose Jaw Canuck Hockey Club fonds. - [textual record]. - 1933-1984. - 19.0 cm of textual records.

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Administrative history

The Moose Jaw Canucks Hockey Club was formed in September 1933. The management was headed by Adam Thomson and Ivan Morrison and consisted mainly of the fathers of players who had been members of the "Stars", Moose Jaw's entry in juvenile hockey. Canucks coaches from 1933-1945 were Gymie McMillan (7 years coach), Ikey Morrison, Hal York, Chuck Robinson, Bob Kennedy, Clay Boiteau and Roy Bentley.

The Canucks became the first amateur affiliate of the Chicago Black Hawks of the National Hockey League in 1945. Besides operating the Junior Canucks in the Southern Junior League, the Canucks Hockey Club also operated a Juvenile team in the South Central League, and a four team city midget league.

In 1974 the ownership and operation of the Canucks was turned over to the Moose Jaw Hockey Society. In May 1982 four men, John Waronek, Gilbert Prefontaine, Murray Baldwin, and Gary Bolinger purchased the franchise from the Moose Jaw Hockey Society. Later in the same season, Waronek took over sole ownership of the team. In November 1983 the Moose Jaw Junior Hockey Community Club was nominated by the Saskatchewan Amateur Junior Hockey League (SAJHL) to run the team for the remainder of the 1983-84 season after they (SAJHL) terminated Waronek's franchise.

In December 1983 Moose Jaw Tier One Junior Hockey Inc. and the Moose Jaw Junior Hockey Community Club Inc. (Club) joined forces in order to bring the best junior hockey available to the city of Moose Jaw. The amalgamation of the two groups placed the bid to bring a Western Hockey League (WHL) franchise to Moose Jaw and the existing Moose Jaw Canucks of the SAJHL under one community hockey roof. The objective of the new group was to move ahead with the present tier two team (Canucks) in place and continue to plan for the future of a WHL team in Moose Jaw. The new group would assume all obligations which the Club had concerning the Canucks.

On December 22, 1983 Tier One Hockey Inc. were successful in their efforts to buy the Winnipeg Warriors, who became the Moose Jaw Warriors.

Scope and content

This fonds consists of minutes of meetings 1944-1953, book of stock certificates sold in 1948 and 1951, and remaining blank certificates, constitution of the Western Junior Hockey League [194-?], Memorandum of Association 1948, Articles of Association 1948 and yearbooks 1938-1939, 1946-1947, 1954-1955, 1960-1961, 1961-1962, 1962-1963 and 1965-1966 of the Canuck Hockey Club. A scrapbook contains newspaper clippings,

photographs, programs, lists, hand-written statistics and history of the Club from 1933 to 1984.

Physical description

The scrapbook consists of 82 individual sheets of heavy paper.

Conservation note

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004. Scrapbook boxed in 2006.

Note of immediate source of acquisition

Accession number 60.BA donated to the archives by Mrs. George Vogan. Material was also donated by Bud Isley. Scrapbook was donated by Doug McGillivray.

Accruals

No further accruals expected.

Finding aids

See file list.

File List

001 - Constitution of Western Junior Hockey League [194-?]

002 - Articles of Association 1948

003 - Memorandum of Association 1948

004 - Minutes of Meetings 1944-1953

005 - Book of sold stock certificates 1948, 1951 and blank certificates

006 - Yearbooks 1938-39, 46-47, 47-48, 54-55, 60-61, 61-62, 62-63, 65-66

007 - Scrapbook 1933-1984