

## **NCMHA Donald Filliter Memorial Award**

### **Brief History:**

Donald “Don” Filliter was an air ambulance captain who died tragically in an air ambulance crash in Moosenee, Ontario on May 31st, 2013. This award was created in Don’s memory by the NCMHA Board of Directors 2013/2014 for his dedication to fair play, positive outlook, and devotion to team spirit. This award goes to a U13 player from each U13 team who best exemplifies team spirit and fair play.

### **Criteria:**

- Nominees must be a NCMHA rostered, non-affiliated player at the U13 level
- Nominees actions must best exemplify Don’s characteristics of team spirit and fair play
- Nominees actions must promote the ideals and core of values of the game of hockey, Hockey Canada (HC,) and those of the NCMHA

### **Nomination Process:**

- The coaching staff of each team and/or the players of each team can submit nominations to the NCMHA **by February 15<sup>th</sup>** of each year using the nomination form found on the website.
- Nominations must include:
  - How the nominee promotes Don’s characteristics of team spirit and fair play
  - How the nominee promotes the ideals and core values of the game of hockey, HC, and those of the NCMHA.

### **Selection Process:**

- The names of all nominees will be forwarded to the Awards Committee as selected by the Board of Directors for review.
- The Awards Committee will review all applications and bring forward their recommendations to the Board no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- The NCMHA Board of Directors has the final vote to approve the selected recipient(s).

### **Presentation:**

- The award is to be presented on a yearly basis to a NCMHA U13 player from each team during their year-end team party by a member of that player's coaching staff.
- The award recipients name(s) will further be presented on a yearly basis at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

**Hockey Canada believes:**

- In a positive hockey experience for all participants, in a safe, sportsmanlike environment.
- In the development of life skills which will benefit participants throughout their lives.
- In the values of fair play and sportsmanship, including the development of respect for all people by all participants.
- In hockey opportunities for all people regardless of age, gender, colour, race, ethnic origin, religion, sexual orientation, or socio-economic status and in both official languages.
- In the importance for participants to develop dignity and self- esteem.
- To instill the values of honesty and integrity in participants at all times.
- In the promotion of teamwork and the belief that what groups and society can achieve as a whole is greater than that which can be achieved by individuals.
- In the country of Canada, its tradition in the game of hockey, and the proud and successful representation of this tradition around the world.
- In the value of hard work, determination, the pursuit of excellence and success in all activities.
- In the benefits of personal and physical well- being.

**Nickel Centre Minor Hockey Association believes:**

- In a wholesome experience, not only for the children participating, but also for the coaches, managers, parents, and the league officials.
- Main interests shall always be in the individual and NOT in his or her hockey ability
- Principal intent is for sportsmanship, fair play, good citizenship, friendly competition, enjoyment, and full participation for all team members.
- To teach the fundamentals of hockey and fair play in a fun environment.
- That it is the right of each child to have an equal opportunity to play.
- To provide an atmosphere of enjoyment and a wholesome experience for all concerned.