

Scott Tobolt Foundation – 2021 Annual Report

The Scott Tobolt Foundation established a plan in 2018 and set the groundwork to make the Foundation sustainable for decades. In 2021, our Foundation continued to raise money to reach our sustainability goal.

A fundraising goal of \$250,000.00 over 5 years was set by the Foundation Board of Directors in 2018. Once this goal is reached, we anticipate earning an average of 5% annual interest, which would cover our typical Equipment Lease annual operating costs. The Foundation intends to continue our plans in 2022 towards our fundraising goal.

Investment Fund

In 2021, we continued to receive generous donations for local business and the community. The efforts from our fundraising committee are greatly appreciated! Thank you to everyone who has helped in any way to get us to this point. We still have a lot of work to do, but we are convinced we will meet our milestone.

Tobolt Equipment Lease Program

Our mission is to give every child a chance to participate in activities which Scott loved. Our major effort is with the Tobolt Equipment Lease Program (TELP). This allows children in rookies, mites, and 8U with Moorhead Youth Hockey Association the opportunity to "lease" all necessary equipment for free and lower the financial burden of participating in hockey.

In the spring of 2022, our equipment headquarters changed from the skate shop in the Cullen Hockey Center to locker room 17 in the Sanford rink. While we didn't plan to take locker room #17, it seems kind of fitting, and a blessing for use to move into that locker room. A great group of volunteers helped disassemble the shelving and create new shelving for our new home. This location gives us more room and gets us out of the high traffic areas of the rink. Many thanks must be given to the many volunteers that helped during this process.

For the 2021-2022 hockey season, we fit 166 children with full sets of hockey equipment. This included 95 Rookies (4, 5 & 6 y/o boys and girls), 43 Mites (7 & 8 y/o boys and girls), 19 8U (girls), and 9 other players. This brings our total to just over 2,760 sets of equipment given out in 17 years. This is as increase from the 144 sets of equipment the previous year.

Scholarships

The Scott Tobolt Foundation annually recognizes a graduating senior from both the boy's and girls' varsity hockey programs at Moorhead High School along with the Junior Gold team. This year's recipients of the \$500 scholarship have not been named at this time. Recipients are picked by the team's coaches and are those who best demonstrate the values of hard-work on and off the ice, being a good teammate, and being a good student, which were shown by Scott in his time with the Spuds.

Past Recipients:

- 2013: Ehrin McKaig and Peter MacFarlane
- 2014: Rebekah Hakk and Grant Weiss
- 2015: Micaela Mjoness and Justin Keller
- 2016: Mckyla Overby and Cooper Tietz
- 2017: Marissa Herdt and Cooper Czichotzki
- 2018: Emma Cullen and Karson Kvalevog
- 2019: Emma Kolo, and Nick Searls
- 2020: Kenzie O'Connell, Carter Johnson and Gunnar Sorensen (Jr. Gold)
- 2021: Elise Stromme, Grant Frisch, and Thomas Olson (Jr. Gold)
- 2022: TBD

The Scott Tobolt Foundation also donated \$500 in Scheels gift cards in 2021/2022 to the MyTeam program. That program recognizes student-athletes from MYHA who have earned a 3.0 GPA or above. This years' MyTeam ceremony was again done remote due to COVID concerns.

Golf Tournament

2021 brought us our 18th annual tournament and a record number of players. 35 teams of 6 participated and has proven to be a max number for us. 2022 will bring the same format, same location but will be moved up to the 3rd Friday in June (17th). We continue to field requests for new teams to be added to the field. We are blessed to be able to continue with the golf tournament.

Media Recap:

- **Twitter @tobooltgolftourn:** We're active on Twitter, promoting our program, the golf tournament, equipment lease dates and returns, the "Try it Free" nights for boys and girls, Papa Johns Pizza promo, Vitalant Blood Drive, and our Girls and Boys Scholarships. As of the early part of April 2021 we have over 400 followers.
- **Facebook:** Not as active as Twitter but we're active in sharing posts specific to key dates as mentioned above.
- Website: Erik Steen did a full refresh of our website at <u>www.toboltfoundation.org</u> in 2020. As well as a much needed cosmetic refresh, Erik was able to develop a <u>Donation and Give</u> page (<u>www.toboltfoundation.org/give/</u>) which now allows for individuals to donate to the Foundation.
- Other Social Media Platforms: We are looking at establishing Instagram and TikTok accounts
- Email: <u>ScottToboltFoundation@gmail.com</u>
- Mailing Address: PO Box 32, Moorhead, MN 56561-0032

2021 Board of Directors:

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On behalf of the entire Scott Tobolt Foundation Board of Directors, we appreciate the support of our friends, sponsors and the community and look forward to a successful 2022 Golf Tournament and hockey season!

Sincerely,

Jared Bernstrom President Scott Tobolt Foundation