

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Major Atom AA 2017/2018 season. My name is Todd White and I am honoured to be coaching the team this year. I want to take an opportunity to introduce you to myself, my philosophy and my plan for the upcoming season.

I am honoured to be trusted with making the teams season a challenging, positive and fun experience. Hockey has been a big part of my life since I was a young child and I truly enjoy passing the knowledge and fun that I was fortunate to enjoy on to this team.

I like to have challenging, competitive practices that promote individual skill as well as incorporate some Individual and team tactics. I expect the team to demonstrate a good work ethic and show respect for teammates, opponents, coaches and referees each time they are around the rink.

Tryouts will consist of skating and skill evaluations as well as competitions and scrimmages to help in picking the 17 players who will be a part of this years team. I am also hoping to set up some exhibition games as part of the evaluation process. I will have independent third party evaluators who will assist me in the selection process.

I am looking for skilled hockey players that are willing to work hard, battle and be a great teammate. I like players who listen, are disciplined, follow instruction and are willing to work just as hard when they don't have the puck.

As with all competitive sports there is a commitment both financial and time that is expected. This year you can expect 4-5 ice times/activities per week. 1-2 games and 2-3 practices and some dryland.

In addition we will play in 5 tournaments.

2 Local Tournaments

Ottawa Senators September AAA Shootout Sep. 8-10,2017 Bell Capital Cup Dec. 29-31, 2017

3 away tournaments (Subject to change) York/Simcoe Steamtrain Shootout AAA PlayStation Platinum Cup AAA Vaughan Kings Classic AAA

Sep 29-Oct.1 2017 Nov. 24-26, 2017 Dec 7-10, 2017 Families can expect additional team fees of approximately \$1350-\$1750 depending on the level of fundraising or sponsorships that are secured.

The tryout schedule will be posted at <a href="www.kmha.ca">www.kmha.ca</a>. I will contact each family to confirm tryout times. Evaluations occur starting with the first tryout session. Your child should be ready to compete for a spot that first day.

Enjoy your summer and I look forward to seeing you at tryouts.

Any questions please contact me at whitetodd28@gmail.com

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