Major Atom “AA” Welcome Letter

I would like to take the time to welcome you to the 2014/2015 Major Atom AA season. I am very excited to coach the 2004 age level this year.

For those that do not know me, I have been involved in Kanata hockey for 6 years and this is my third season as a head coach. I grew up in Toronto and played up to Junior B hockey while I was growing up. The passion and enthusiasm that I have for the game and my experience as both a player and coach are the greatest assets that I bring to the table.

If there is one thing that I pride myself on it is my ability to teach the game of hockey. I believe that each member of the team is on the team for a specific reason, however, each player must learn all aspects of the game to better understand their individual roles. Through high tempo practices and a focus on skill development, I believe that each team member will improve and learn more about the game and how it should be played.

I know that competitive hockey requires both a time and financial commitment. This year, the team will have an average 2 games and 2 practices per week. We will also be focusing on team building and some introductory dry land training. All team functions, training, practices and games will be mandatory for every member of the team.

Financially, you can expect additional costs of approximately $1800 - $2000 for the year. This will not include accommodations at away tournaments or other incidentals that may arise. Please make this a point to consider when choosing to tryout for our team.

Below are the 3 confirmed tournaments so far and be advised that we are looking at a total of 5-6 tournaments this year and we will add these as we get confirmation from each one of our acceptance into them.

**Ottawa Senators Early Bird Tournament September 5-7**

**Rochester Invitational Hockey Tournament October 10-12**

**Mon Dec 29 2014 – Fri Jan 2 2015 Bell Capital Cup**

The tryout schedule is up on the KMHA web site and exhibition game dates once confirmed will be forwarded. I will be in contact with everyone to let them know about our first tryout sessions and parent meeting.

I look forward to meeting you and your families as you tryout this year and I wish all of you good luck.

If you need to contact me, I can be reached at daggett65@sympatico.ca

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