



It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Minor Atom A 2016/2017 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.

This will be my 6th year with KMHA and 4rd year as head coach. Hockey has been a big part of my life and I enjoy passing the knowledge and fun that I experienced onto the team.

Individual skill and tactics will be the focal point of practice. 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 will have independent third party evaluators who will assist me in the selection process. The team will be looking for skilled, hard working players willing to battle and who are eager to learn.

As with all competitive sports there is a commitment both financial and time that is expected. This year you can expect 3-5 ice times/activities per week. 1-2 games and 2-3 practices. I believe practices are important in a player and teams development. I love to run high tempo skill based practices where players attention, hard work and commitment are needed.

In addition we will play in 5-6 tournaments.

3 Local Tournaments

Capital Gold Rush Sep 16-18

Capital Fall Classic Oct 21-23

Bell Capital Cup Dec 30-Jan 1

2-3 away tournaments (Subject to change)

Rochester NY AAA Oct 14-16

Whitby AA Silver Stick Nov 25-27

Potential Silver Stick Finals Mid January

Families can expect additional team fees of approximately \$1200-\$1600 depending on the level of fundraising or sponsorships that are secured.

The tryout schedule will be posted at www.kmha.ca. 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
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