

St. James Assiniboia Minor Hockey Association

Assiniboia West, Bordaire, Bourkevale, Deer Lodge, Heritage Victoria, Kirkfield Westwood, Sturgeon Heights, Woodhaven

Welcome to the 2011-12 hockey season for the boys and girls of St. James. SJAMHA is committed in providing an environment for the children learning the game of hockey. Each child will be given the opportunity to develop their hockey skills, learn the value of respect and responsibility, have fun and develop new friendships.

5 to 8 Year House League

We will continue our policy of providing indoor ice for all house league games. There will be a Hockey Initiation program (IP) for all House League players starting September 17th. This is a CHA developed program and teaches the basic skills required by our young players. If you wish to volunteer, please indicate on IP Form & contact Blair McCartney (Director of IP) at 774-6776

Novice 8 A1

Eight year olds (Born 2003) trying out for the "optional" Novice A1 team, Please indicate on registration form & contact Darren Sagness 831-7552 or e-mail sags@mymts.net for further information about tryouts

Female Hockey

For information on the Female hockey program for Girls Novice (a newer program) for Girls born 2003 or 2004. Plus Atom or older, please contact Greg Friesen 296-5120

Tryout Process

Tryouts will commence September 17th, for players born in 2003, 2002 & 2001 You will be contacted with your first tryout date and time after registrations have been completed. Tryout dates for players born in 2000 or earlier will start after cuts have been made from "AA" "AAA" & Hi-School

A group of qualified evaluators will conduct evaluations of all players from Novice upwards. These individuals have affiliation with community clubs, have coached & have knowledge of the players within St. James.

Body Contact Confidence and Checking Clinic

SJAMHA is offering a Body Contact Confidence and Checking Clinic for Minor Peewee age players (born 2000). The clinic consists of a two hour session. The sessions will be Fri.Sept.16th at Allard Arena. The cost is \$40.00 per player (payable when registering online for the Hockey season).

The clinic is being instructed by Carey Wilson, a 10-year NHL professional and owner/operator of the Carey Wilson Hockey School. The instruction will focus on player's awareness, safety, respect, proper checking skills, and preparation.

If you are interested in registering your child for the Body Contact Confidence and Checking clinic, please complete the registration form, when registering online for Hockey. Please contact Dwayne Schmidt at 831-7911 or e-mail

dwaynehockey@shaw.ca to confirm your time

This is the 7th year for this highly successful camp.

CHRISTMAS SKILLS CLINICS

SJAMHA will also be holding Skill Clinics for ages 7-9 & 10-11 between Christmas & New Years. Please fill in separate forms for each clinic, that you wish to attend Cost will be \$10.00 per clinic, payable at 1st session.

St. James Canadians AA

Registration for AA – Minor Peewee, Peewee, Minor Bantam, Bantam, Minor Midget & (maybe Midget) will take place online at sjamha.ca

Please note that you must register online prior to trying out for AA. You will be notified as to your 1st tryout date, no later than Sept.7th, otherwise please contact Lori Brakel 896-6481 for information. It is also required that you bring proof of your Registration payment with you, to your 1st tryout date, and this is also, when payment for trying out is due.

Recreation League

The Recreation League located in River Heights is a non-hitting, occasional practice, no tournaments, no play-offs, no cutting, just for fun program for those players 9 years of age and older that just want a few games in the winter without the structure and competitiveness of our other programs. For further information, please contact Kathy at 488-7000.

Jack Rabbits

Jack Rabbits is an informal setting to learn the fundamentals of hockey for kids 4 years old and up, beginner skating skill are a pre-requisite. Registration is mid-November at Sturgeon Heights CC Call 832-5991 for information.

Officiating Program

If you are age 13 to adult and enjoy the game of hockey, then consider Officiating/Time Keeping as a part-time job (13 year olds may become officials for the 7/8 House League provided they are registered players). You must be conscientious, reliable and a good skater as well as having a responsible attitude and a good knowledge of the game. We provide flexible hours around work or school and a good salary. With the ever increasing participation in Female Hockey, it is encouraged that females consider this great opportunity. For further information please contact:

Officiating Alex Lloyd 889-4164 or Ted 897-2535

Time Keeping Ted Szykowski 897-2535

Kidsport

The Kidsport Fund is a national charity created to assist children from financially disadvantaged families. In respect to a community club hockey program, they may help defray equipment costs. For further information, please call 452-5958.

St. James Canucks

The St. James Junior Canucks are celebrating their 34th year in the Manitoba Major Junior Hockey League. The team started with the founders Tom Miller (VP of the SJAMHA) & Carl Wullum (President of the SJAMHA) we had 8 Juvenile teams which included "AA" Juvenile & 6 midget teams, 2 of which were "AA" & we felt that we could complement the Junior Canadians & keep young men playing at a high level in our area.

As they do every year, the St. James Canucks continue to be a strong supporter of minor hockey in St. James. All registered players under 14 are admitted into the Canucks home games free and players from our 7/8 year old teams will participate in their fun shootouts between periods. The players receive a Canucks hat, T shirt, puck, medallion & drink.

At our appreciation nights we have draws for 2 Canucks jerseys, sticks & t shirts. Any Community Club having a tournament, please contact the Canucks & ask what they can do for you.

As the Canucks support us, so should we support them, take in a game at the St. James Civic Center

SJAMHA Hockey Code of Conduct/Fair Play Policy

SJAMHA is proud to endorse the Hockey Code of Conduct, which are guidelines for acceptable conduct for Players, Parents, and Coaches alike. This program promotes fair play and respect for all participants. To learn more please visit our website sjamha.ca that outlines our complete Code of Conduct/Fair Play policies. The program includes mentorship, leadership development, a parent's approach, team session, conduct codes for all participants, and other safety/responsibility initiatives.

Team Selection and Your Child's Performance

Tryouts and evaluations can be a nerve-wracking time for both players and their parents. Players may become anxious and sometimes focus on the possibility that they may not be selected for a particular team. It is important as a parent that you remind them to focus on their own performance. Worrying about what the evaluators are thinking of them, or comparing themselves to other players will not increase their chances of being successful. Their focus should be on their own performance and achieving their own daily goals during the evaluations. Parents can help children realize that their self-worth is not on line during this period.

The bottom line is that your child will be playing hockey this season and the SJAMHA is committed to providing an enjoyable and beneficial season. Remember that Darren Helm was cut from the Selkirk Steelers Junior Team before playing on the Canada National Junior Team & winning the Stanley Cup in 2007-08

Please visit our website at sjamha.ca