

Richmond Jets Minor Hockey Bantam Midget Parent Meeting

2019-2020 Season



Expectations

- Bantam & Midget Rep facts
 - 2 rep teams with limited releases
 - Possibility of a 3rd rep team with other associations
 - Goalies – 7 in Bantam and 6 in Midget
 - Goalie evaluation and early game evaluations will help to reduce this number to a manageable size, with consideration for tryout refunds.
 - Tryouts are full contact
 - Going through the A1 declaration phase does not guarantee placement on the A2 team

- Bantam & Midget House Facts
 - House teams – 4/5 Bantam, 5/6 Midget
 - Regular Opt-in skills sessions available for sign-up, 6 sessions for \$125.
 - Both Fall and Winter Opt-in skills available.



Misconceptions

- Coaches have not already picked their teams – they may have an idea of what type of team they would like or style of play they prefer.
- No player is guaranteed a spot on any team. In some years, returning players will play at the same or even lower level.
- There is no backdoor route to make it on a higher team (e.g. missing tryouts, declaring for A1, moving between working groups)
- Declaring for A1 and going through the A1 tryouts will be beneficial just for the experience and extra ice times?



General Timeline of Suggested Activities

Date	Activity
Aug 24-28	A1 Tryouts and formation of A1 Working Group
Aug 26-30	A2 Tryouts and formation of Working Groups
Aug 30	Players not in a working group released to House
Sept 3 – Sept 22	Working groups train and play exhibition games; players guaranteed 3 ices times with working group
Sept 3 – 10	House evaluation skates
Sept 11 -22	Internal House Balancing Games
Sep 22	Projected Final releases from Rep and placement on house teams



How we can help each other

- Communication! Communication! Communication!
 - Talk directly to your Division Managers (or Ambassadors) if you have questions/issues – please avoid hallway conversations as emotions are high
 - If you didn't hear it from the Division Managers or Ambassadors directly, then the information is probably not accurate.
- Transparency and honesty is key – goes both ways.
- Remember, dealing with adversity is always tougher on the parents than the child
- Respect the process and the people here to help administer it. Improvements have been made from the previous years, but it will never be perfect.
- Please provide the necessary space for the evaluators and coaches as they both have lots to complete during the tryout phase.



Coaches

Rep Coaches

- Midget A1 – Derek Chichak
- Bantam A1 – Mike Ikeda
- A2 Coaches – not announced yet we continue to interview

House Coaches

- Still a few more head coaches needed

