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SPKAC NEWS



SHERWOOD PARK KINGS ATHLETIC CLUB

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Playoffs Beginning!



Good luck to all!

Hello Hockey Families;

As we head into our final 6-7 weeks of our respective seasons, I want to thank everyone for their unwavering dedication to the development of our hockey players both on and off the ice.

I am very proud of how our teams have been developing and through this development it is looking like all of our teams will be making the playoffs this season. I am also extremely happy with how our teams have been using the affiliation process to aid in the development of our athletes as well as helping teams in need with our 'Program First' approach.

As we approach the end of the season, we will be looking for new volunteers going into next season. If you are interested, please reach out to any of the current board members.

Lastly, good luck to all teams as they head into their playoffs and provincial tournaments!

Rob Davis
President, SPKAC

Important News Items

ID Camp

Once again the Kings club will be hosting ID camps for bantam and midget players. This camp will be held on the weekend of April 22nd and 23rd. So bookmark your calendars!

Summer Development Camps

As always, the Kings club puts on summer hockey camps for all of our players, from PeeWee to Midget for male and females. Look for registration to be coming out towards the end of the season. We will be advertising on Twitter, Facebook and our website. Our camps are run by next season's coaches and are always high intensity!

SPKAC Website

As you are aware, the Kings Club website underwent a dramatic change this season. Of course, with anything new there were some growing pains. However, in the end, our new and refreshed website has been a welcome change. Going forward, we will be working to improve the structure of our content so you will get more club information. We have a lot of to be proud of within our club and we will do our best to communicate this better. There were many small but impactful changes to the site and we hope that your experience was much better for you. If you have anything that you'd like to see on the site, please send an email to: spkacwebsites@gmail.com We are always looking for new ways to promote the club.

Twitter

Twitter is a great way to get information about the day to day happenings of our teams. Currently, the majority of our teams have a Twitter account that they update regularly. To search for a team to follow, simply search SPKAC and the accounts will appear.

On-line Registration

You've asked for it and we listened! For the 2017/2018 hockey season, you will be able to register for hockey online! No waiting in line and best of all, we will be able to accept online payments. Don't panic though, if you are not comfortable with online payments, you will still have the opportunity to register in person. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months.

Target Photography

Target Photography is SPKAC's official photographer. Lawrence and his team have been very busy taking action shots of our teams. Check out Target's website to see pictures from your team.

<http://www.targetphotography.com>

New Tournament Announcement

We are pleased to announce that the Sherwood Park Kings club will be hosting the first annual Midget 15AAA Invitational tournament over the 2017-2018 Christmas break. This prestigious hockey tournament will host teams from Canada and the United States at the Arena and the Shell. We will also play host to 50 Junior level and NCAA scouts, offering the players an opportunity to be seen by top level scouts at this event.

At this very early stage, we already have commitments from 30 scouts as well as a high level of interest from teams outside of Alberta, across Canada and the US. The tournament will include Sherwood Park, 1 team from AMMHL North, 1 team from AMMHL South as well as 5 additional teams from outside of the province for a total of 8 teams.

Teams will play a minimum of 5 games, stay in our local hotels, frequent our restaurants and take in all that Sherwood Park has to offer. We are excited to be hosting a tournament of this caliber and look forward to offering this opportunity for our players for years to come. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Provincials!

Our Midget AAA Female Fury is hosting provincials!! The tournament will take place March 24 to March 26 at the Sherwood Park Arena. Reminders will be sent via social media so watch for them! All fans are welcome!



Kings Day was a huge success!!

December 10th was a great day in the community. We were able to serve up treats, give prizes and showcase our amazing talent within the club. The feedback from the players was very positive. The apparel sales were overwhelming as well. We collected one truckload of food and \$168 for the Strathcona food bank we will also be donating the profits from apparel sales to the Robin Hood Sledge Hockey team. Thank you to everyone who volunteered!



Save the Date - Awards Banquet

This year's Awards Banquet will be held on April 11, 2017 at the Agora. This is a time to celebrate excellence within our club. We are looking for input from our members in choosing a Volunteer of the Year. The Volunteer of the Year award is presented annually to the individual considered to have given freely and unselfishly their time and services for the continuance and betterment of the hockey within the Sherwood Park Kings Athletic club during the past hockey season with consideration going to previous years of service to the Club as well. Applications will be sent to team managers shortly. If you wish to receive one electronically, please send an email to spkac.kings@gmail.com

Golf Tournament 2017-Registration is coming soon! Exciting news!!!

The Sherwood Park Kings club's 4th Annual Golf Tournament and Silent Auction is June 24th at the Legends Golf course. We are still looking for sponsors, auction items, and prizes. Let us know if you would like to support the tournament to help raise funds for our teams. 100% of the funds go back to the teams to support player development. The year we will be registering teams online. Watch for more information on our website.

To sponsor or obtain more information, please email Zena at zena.kingsclub@gmail.com or Nicole at spkacgolf@gmail.com



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Include pictures if applicable.**

