



Welcome to the Leduc Junior Athletic Club 2020/2021 Season



The Leduc Junior Athletic Club (LJAC) was established in August 1983, in response to a need in the Leduc & area for the provision of support, leadership, coordination and financial assistance dedicated to the development of skills and abilities necessary for our developing hockey players to compete at progressively higher levels in the sport of hockey. Over the years the LJAC has also provided support to other hockey teams, sport groups and associations in Leduc and area.

The LJAC provides the leadership, coordination, development & delivery of the Elite Male Teams. LJAC has a partnership with Leduc Minor Hockey Association (LMHA) and has ongoing communication with other local minor hockey associations in the LJAC Draw Zone & Hockey Alberta. The LJAC is a member of the new Alberta Elite Hockey League (AEHL) and participate in the U15 AAA, U16 AAA and U18 AAA divisions/levels of the AEHL. The LJAC is responsible for the Leduc Draw Zone and provides the leadership, coordination & delivery of the hockey program.

The Leduc Junior Athletic Club (LJAC Executive has 9 members) works primarily, though not exclusively, in the provision of leadership, financial support, coordination & delivery of the teams. The LJAC received a Bingo license in August 1983 (no longer have bingos) and a casino license in 2013 (receive one casino every 2.5 years approximately). LJAC over the years has also hosted Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta & league championships, provincials, tournaments, games & events.

Players are registered with Leduc Junior Athletic Club/ Leduc Minor Hockey Associations and must meet the obligations of LJAC in regards too payment of fees, rules and the LJAC Code of Conduct. The LJAC teams are governed by the Rules and Bylaws of Alberta Elite Hockey League and Hockey Alberta.

Over the years LJAC is proud of its history and has consistently fielded competitive teams in the Alberta Major Bantam Hockey League (AMBHL), Alberta Minor Midget League (AMMHL) and the Alberta Midget Hockey League (AMHL) and are now looking forward to participating in the Alberta Elite Hockey League (AEHL). Beyond the pure skill and competition of the hockey program, our players are encouraged to demonstrate excellence in teamwork, sportsmanship and community involvement. The LJAC consistently is recognized as a respected organization whose teams display positive qualities on and off the ice. RESPECT is truly an important value of the LJAC and Oil Kings Hockey Teams. Parents & Families are also reminded to support the TEAM and be positive and respectful. **Players & Parents are all required to review and sign the LJAC Player/Parent Code of Conduct.**

Transportation for Teams

The LJAC will charter a bus for team transportation of its players & coaching staff. Bus travel will be considered for trips in excess of 150 km or outside of the greater Edmonton Area. Over the years Parents have been welcome to utilize the bus for transportation. Please Note: Busing procedures are being reviewed due to COVID-19.

Registration Fees

(note: combined registration fee & team fee)

U18 AAA: \$6,500.00

U16 AAA: \$6,500.00

U15 AAA: \$6,500.00

Please Note for the 2020/21 Season: Due to COVID-19 and uncertainty of the season LJAC has adjusted the fees to:

U18 AAA: \$5,000.00

U16 AAA: \$5,000.00

U15 AAA: \$5,000.00

The registration fees are required once LJAC teams are selected & is payable starting October 1, 2020 on the LJAC website www.ljac.ca (Fees can be paid in two installments with the 1st installment of \$3,000.00 for October, November and December provided by Oct 9 & the 2nd installment of \$2,000 paid by Dec 1st for January and February). Payment(s) are by Credit Card only. Please note: These registration fees may be adjusted if the 2020/2021 Season is cancelled.

LJAC Provides the following for Hockey Season

The LJAC provides the following items and pays for the listed fees & expenses: Pre-season tournament entry fee, tryout expenses, league fees, league meetings & expenses, coach meetings, Hockey Alberta meetings, Hockey Alberta carding & insurance, players LJAC equipment: gloves, pant shells, game & practice jerseys, socks, hockey bags, helmet stickers, etc. (all equipment is kept at the end of the year by the player except game jerseys), tape, pucks, other minor equipment costs, medical supplies, athletic trainer fees & expenses, coaching staff's monthly expenses & honorariums. LJAC covers the costs for the LJAC team clothing program: track suit, hoodie, dry fit shirts, shorts, sport bag, etc. LJAC also covers expenses related to league & playoff/provincials team travel expenses (hotels, meals), regular season & playoff bus charter expenses, tryout and pre-season ice rental, regular season & playoff ice rental, practice ice rental, referee fees & travel expenses, LRC storage room rental, team room expenses, meeting expenses, goaltending instruction, skills instruction, video & computer programs/equipment, off ice training costs and other related expenses. (Note: each LJAC player is required to wear a royal blue helmet, this is a cost to the player/family).

In the past Individual teams took part in fundraising throughout the year to pay for such items as tournaments, team building activities, dressing room or bus snacks, LJAC Awards Banquet (tickets for players/parents & coaching staff), etc. The fundraising is the individual responsibility of each team account and is coordinated through the Team Manager/Coordinator & LJAC Director. There are guidelines in regards too the fundraising that the teams must comply with prior to starting their fundraising. LJAC does not pay for all player & team expenses that occur during the season. **Please Note: Due to Covid-19, challenges and uncertainty with the season the LJAC will deposit \$500 per player from the Registration Fees into each team account.**

Hockey Alberta/AEHL Carding:

All players and coaching staff will be carded with LJAC/LMHA for the 2020/21 Hockey Season. Players year end transfers or release of card for next hockey will be provided as long as all 2020/21 fees were paid on time, fundraising commitments completed for Team and no damage assessments are outstanding.

LJAC Casino, Special Events, Hosting and other Fundraising/Volunteering:

LJAC has a casino license from Alberta Gaming and the next casino has not be confirmed. Other fundraising and volunteering opportunities may occur in the season for LJAC parents and players. From time to time the LJAC teams will be asked to assist in special events or fundraisers for the organization or the community. This may entail the hosting of a special event for the LJAC or a Team. Past examples include: The Telus Cup, Alberta Cup, Olympic Women's National Team Game vs U18 AAA, Hockey Alberta Provincials and other Hockey Alberta or Hockey Canada events, Food Bank Drive, HUB, School Programs, assist with LMHA practices and other community events. Player/Parents on an LJAC team may be asked to assist/ volunteer with organizing these special events or fundraising opportunities.

Scholarships:

Leduc Junior Athletic Club feels it is important to promote and assist our players in their goals to further their personal development through advanced education. We have established a scholarship program to assist player alumni in funding for post-secondary education. For further information on this program please contact Scott Fraser, LJAC President and he would be pleased to explain this program in detail to you. The AEHL – U18AAA also has a scholarship program for seventeen year old players. More information can be attained from the LJAC Team Director & AEHL- U18AAA website.