



TEAM COMCAST

Tier I “AAA” Youth Hockey Club

2009-10 Season Information

Comcast Corporation, the leading provider of cable and high-speed internet access in the United States, is once again the name sponsor our Tier I “AAA” Youth Hockey Club, which participates as a member of the Atlantic Youth Hockey League, skating out of the Virtua Health Flyers Skate Zone at Pennsauken.

TEAMS and ICE TIME

For the 2009-10 season, we will field nine teams at all birth years between Squirt Minor (2000) and Midget 18U (1991-93). All teams are eligible for the Atlantic Youth Hockey League playoffs and will play a full Tier I schedule.

All teams will receive **twenty (20) weekend home game slots** and approximately **47-50 total on-ice practice slots**, typically two per week. **Our Squirt Minor (2000), Squirt Major ('99), PeeWee Minor ('98) and PeeWee Major ('97) teams will share an additional skills session practice slot bi-weekly (for a season-total of 60 ice times per team!)** in an effort to further advance their skill development.

Regular season practices will begin on September 1st, 2009 and continue through February 26th, 2010. All teams will also receive ice time for a **Pre-season Training Camp**, to be scheduled by each team's coaching staff.

Participation fees also include the cost of entry into **three tournaments** for all teams (**except Midget 16U and Midget 18U**), to be determined at the discretion of each team's coach. In an effort to maximize exposure of our best players to some of the top collegiate, prep and junior programs in the country, our Midget teams will attend some of the top prestigious tournaments in North America.

The Midget 16U National team will attend **four** of the following major tournaments:

- ❖ Labor Day Face Off Tournament (Mass) Sept '09
- ❖ Woodchuck Classic (Vermont), Sept '09
- ❖ Boston Jr Bruins Shootout (Mass) Sept '09
- ❖ Fall Beantown Classic (UNH campus) Oct '09
- ❖ Marlies Holiday Classic (Toronto) Dec '09
- ❖ NAHL Showcase (Ann Arbor, MI) Jan '10

The Midget 18U team will attend the following **six** major tournaments:

- ❖ Woodchuck Classic (Vermont), Sept '09
- ❖ Boston Jr Bruins Shootout (Mass) Sept '09
- ❖ NAHL Showcase (Blaine, MN) Oct '09
- ❖ Fall Beantown Classic (UNH campus) Oct '09
- ❖ Northwood Prep Tournament (Lake Placid, NY) Jan '10
- ❖ NAHL Showcase (Ann Arbor, MI) Jan '10

PLAYER EVALUATION & SELECTION

Player Evaluations are scheduled for **Midgets April 7th thru 9th** and **Squirt thru Bantam May 4th thru 6th** and are open to all Tier I and Tier II youth hockey players. **Registration is required.**

Players will be assigned to a team based on their performance during the evaluation process. There will be a separate tryout fee, and all players will receive a practice jersey with a number that is theirs to keep. A Player Evaluation Committee will be formed and be responsible for working with the coaching staff of each team to be directly involved in the assignment process. The Evaluation Committee will not have any affiliation with the players being evaluated.

COACHING

Our goal is to offer the best and most qualified coaches in the area to teach hockey to our children. All coaches are required to attend an annual seminar and **achieve the minimum coaching education accreditation required by USA Hockey** for their respective age level coaching. The **Club will reimburse all Head Coaches for their USA Hockey CEP registration fees.**

2009-10 Head Coaches are as follows:

Midget 18U	Jared Beach
Midget 16U - National	Rob Badger
Midget 16U - American	TBA
1995 Bantam Major	Mitch Larnerd
1996 Bantam Minor	Frank Carto
1997 PeeWee Major	Keith Primeau
1998 PeeWee Minor	Keith Primeau
1999 Squirt Major	Derian Hatcher
2000 Squirt Minor	Mario Tropea

OFF-ICE CONDITIONING PROGRAM

PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION PROVIDED BY:



In an effort to help our teams find continued success at an elite level, we have hired Endeavor Sports Performance to conduct off-ice conditioning training for our Club. **All teams will receive forty-eight off-ice conditioning sessions this season.** These sessions will be scheduled through each team's coaches, and all sessions are considered mandatory for all players.

Endeavor Sports Performance was founded in 2005 as an all-encompassing hockey-specific sports training company, providing the training necessary for hockey players of all ages and abilities to reach their individual peak potential. Through hockey-specific development programs, Endeavor Sports Performance encourages athletes to leave their comfort zone and improve speed, power, agility, flexibility, and core strength by utilizing a combination of proven off-ice training techniques. Our goal is to ensure that each athlete is properly prepared to compete at the highest level.

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2009-10 PARTICIPATION FEES & PAYMENT SCHEDULE*

<u>Team</u>	<u>Participation Fee*</u>
2000 Squirt Minor	\$3,595 (60 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
1999 Squirt Major	\$3,595 (60 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
1998 PeeWee Minor	\$3,595 (60 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
1997 PeeWee Major	\$3,595 (60 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
1996 Bantam Minor	\$3,550 (48 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
1995 Bantam Major	\$3,550 (48 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
Midget 16U	\$3,950 (48 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)
Midget 18U	\$4,800 (48 Practices & 20 Home Game Slots)

Payment Schedule:

\$ 500 Non-Refundable Registration Fee, Due Upon Selection

\$1,000 Due by June 15, 2009

\$1,000 Due by July 15, 2009

Balance due by September 1, 2009

** A 3% surcharge will be assessed on all fees paid by credit card to cover bank merchant credit card fees.*

*** **USA HOCKEY registration fees** are not included in the Participation Fees. All Players, Coaches and Managers are required to complete their 2009-10 USA Hockey registration online at www.usahockey.com. Everyone will be required to print their registration verification received via email from USA Hockey (for your records), and forward it by email to Jamie Oswald at joswald@comcast-spectacor.com, before August 15, 2009.

Team Apparel & Cost

All players NEW TO THE CLUB will need to purchase our team apparel package, which includes:

Home & Away Jersey with name & number
Home & Away socks
Team Shell with logo
Team Warm-Up Suit
Club Hockey Bag

The apparel package total cost for new players is \$389.

Apparel cost will be paid separately and directly to the Gear Zone at the Virtua Health Flyers Skate Zone at Pennsauken. Following the team selection process, new players from each team will be required to come to the Gear Zone by May 15 and be fitted properly for all apparel.

Returning Team Comcast participants will receive an order form and pricing for any apparel items needing replacement. All apparel orders must be received in the Gear Zone by May 15 to ensure on-time delivery prior to the start of the season. Please make sure to follow up with our staff to place your order.



2009-10 TRYOUT SCHEDULE

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TUESDAY thru THURSDAY APRIL 7, 8 & 9, 2009

Midget Minor 16U 7:00PM-8:15PM
Midget Major 18U 8:30PM-9:45PM

MONDAY thru WEDNESDAY MAY 4, 5, & 6, 2009

2000 Squirt Minor 5:30PM – 6:45PM
1999 Squirt Major 5:45PM - 7:00PM
1998 PeeWee Minor 7:00PM – 8:15PM
1997 PeeWee Major 8:30PM – 9:45PM
1996 Bantam Minor 7:15PM – 8:30PM
1995 Bantam Major 8:45PM – 10:00PM

TRYOUT FEE = \$125 (includes jersey)

ALL TRYOUTS WILL BE HELD AT:
VIRTUA HEALTH FLYERS SKATE ZONE AT PENNSAUKEN
6725 RIVER ROAD PENNSAUKEN, NJ 08110
856-488-9300