

KINGS BULLETIN

RE: SPKAC Bantam AAA Coach Update & Camrose Elite Draw Zone Changes

June 26, 2018

Bantam AAA Coach Update

The Sherwood Park Kings Athletic Club would like to introduce Mr. Barry Butt as our Bantam AAA Coach for the 2018-2019 season. Barry has served as an Assistant Coach with the Midget AAA Ennis Kings for the past three seasons. Barry also spent 8 years as Assistant Coach with MacEwan Griffins in the ACAC Hockey League. Barry has extensive experience working with Elite Athletes through his full time profession as Owner/Strength and Conditioning Coach for Premier Strength.

Joining Barry as Assistant Coaches will be Ryan Nelles, Colin Clowater and Bowen Croft. Ryan was an Assistant Coach with the Bantam AAA team with PAC from 2016-2018 and the 15AAA team in PAC in 2015-2016. Colin Clowater was the Head Coach of the SPKAC Bantam AA Leafs and an Assistant Coach with that team the year prior. Bowen Croft has spent the last two seasons with Bantam AA Leafs serving as an Assistant Coach.

Camrose Elite Draw Zone Changes

As per the Hockey Alberta Information <u>Bulletin No. 17/16</u>, the "Male Alberta Development Model (ADM) Committee for Hockey Alberta has been undertaking a review of the Elite (AAA) Draw Zone Structure across the province."

With that review the following changes will be made for the 2018-2019 season that affect the Sherwood Park and Camrose draw zones:

- The Camrose Elite Draw Zone will be dissolved, removing both the Minor Midget AAA team and Bantam AAA team from the respective AAA leagues;
- Bashaw MHA will be realigned under the Red Deer Draw Zone, giving all Bashaw MHA resident players the ability to try out for the Red Deer Draw Zone teams;
- Battle River MHA, Camrose MHA, Holden MHA, Thunderstars MHA, Tofield MHA and Viking MHA will remain within the Sherwood Park Draw Zone, giving their respective resident players the ability to try out for the Sherwood Park Draw Zone teams.

The President of the Sherwood Park Kings Athletic Club Rob Davis stated:

"The Kings Club has had the history of the Camrose Draw Zone within our Major Midget AAA Hockey Programs and we are very excited to be able to welcome them to our 15AAA and Bantam AAA Levels. Although we have seen that this is a huge loss for the community of Camrose, the Kings Club looks forward to being able to work with the athletes and welcome them into the Kings Family. We will continue to move athletes to the next level focusing on our core pillars of character, community, education and hockey."



It is the plan of the Kings Club to hold information sessions in Camrose in the following weeks with the Kings Club Executive as well as Coaches Leo Reagan (Midget AAA), Derrick Hutton (Midget 15AAA) and Barry Butt (Bantam AAA).

Kings Club has extended their early bird pricing for the Camrose Draw Zone athletes to July 15th and information on registration can be found at:

https://www.rampinteractive.com/registration/v3/?c=ae497be34c1b

Should there by any questions about the registration process, please contact our Registrar Grace Carl at spkacregistrar@shaw.ca.

Scheduled start dates for tryouts are as follows:

Midget AAA Tuesday September 4, 2018
Midget 15AAA Start Saturday September 8, 2018
Bantam AAA Thursday August 23, 2018

For specific hockey related questions for each of the divisions, please see contact information below:

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Thank You.