**U8 SELECT (MINOR NOVICE SELECT) - Jeff Wong**

Jeff is excited to be the Head Coach of the U8 Novice Select team for the 2020-2021 season. I have had the opportunity to play all levels of hockey in Northern Ontario as a kid and a teenager. I am excited to pass on my passion and knowledge of hockey to another generation of players. At the novice age (U8) there are many factors that shape a player and ultimately this is a ground for them to branch off into many different levels of hockey in the coming years. Myself and my coaching team endeavour to create an atmosphere that not only promotes a Team First approach but a place that will give each member of the team the best skill set for them to move forward in their young hockey journey.

**U10 AA (MINOR ATOM AA) - Ted Boggs**

Ted has been a hockey skills instructor for 30 years, with the past 13 years dedicated to the Durham region. He has trained many players in minor hockey with some of them successfully being drafted into the OHL, including 2018 1st and 2nd round selections. Ted’s knowledge, experience and fun approach to development have helped him to get the best out of the players he trains.

**U11 AA (ATOM AA) - Jonathan Crocker**

I was born and raised in Ajax and continue to live, work and support the community of Ajax. I am married and live with my wife Melissa and our 2 boys, Jonah age 9 and Brady age 4. My parents are long standing members of the Ajax Lions Club and taught me the importance of giving back to my community.

I make my living as a Sales Professional in water treatment for Rochester Midland Corp. I played representative AA Hockey and Soccer for the Town of Ajax growing up and enjoyed the experience of belonging to a team and representing my community.

I coached recreation soccer for the last 7 years and I am currently coaching the Ajax Knights Minor Atom AA Hockey Team.

I am an avid sports fan and enjoy the challenges and rewards of coaching youth sports. I hope to continue working and serving the Town of Ajax as a volunteer and coach in youth sports.

**U11 AE (ATOM AE) - Darryl Felgemacher**

My name is Darryl Felgemacher and I am 1 of many coaches for the AMHA. I am a firm believer of hard work, accountability and the love of the game. I believe that kids need to be shown how to establish a strong work ethic in everything they do. When you get a team full of kids who are willing to work hard then everything will fall into place. I also believe in creating a family atmosphere as well. These kids need to feel safe and secure every time we are together. Ultimately I’m here to create everlasting memories for these kids and help them fall in love with the greatest game in the world.
U12 AA (MINOR PEEWEE AA) - Phil Erickson

I am a non-parent coach. I grew up and played hockey in Sault Ste Marie. I have lived in Ajax for over 15 years and has volunteered with several teams over that time in the AMHA and PRA as coach. Most recently I was an assistant coach with the AMHA. I believe in creating an environment where kids can learn through hard work, effort and commitment. I want the players to have fun, enjoy coming to the rink and are truly excited about a sport that we all love.

U12 A – (MINOR PEEWEE A) - Mike Barbara

Mike has been involved with the AMHA since 2015, coaching at the House League, Select and Rep levels. He has a passion for hockey, continuing to play since the age of 8. He also has a passion for coaching, having coached lacrosse and baseball, where he is an Assistant Coach with the Ajax Spartans 11U AAA team. When not at the arena, he is an avid BBQer and hot dog connoisseur.

U12 AE (MINOR PEEWEE AE) - Justin Montgomery

Hockey arenas are the hub of Canadian cities. I can think of few places I’d rather be than a local arena on a weekend. I’ve been very fortunate to be involved with training and coaching hockey players for 10 years. I enjoy helping kids develop skills and gain confidence on the ice. It is wonderful to watch kids grow from tryouts through to playoffs.

I’ve played hockey most of my life and still play today. I’ve moved a few times to cities where I didn’t know anyone, hockey allowed me to quickly settle in, make friends and provided a lot of laughs along the way.

As a coach I have two goals every season.

(1) All 17 players work hard, have fun and become better hockey players by season’s end and (2) All 17 players are excited to return to hockey the following season.

I look forward to seeing you around the rink.
U13 AA (PEEWEE AA) - Patrick Davidson

It's great to have been chosen to coach the U13 AA team for the 2020/2021 season. I've been associated with Ajax Hockey for about 7 years, a House League convener, to coaching rep teams from Peewee up to Bantam. I've played competitive hockey for years, SHA, MTHL, AA, AAA and High School. I still I play twice a week.

Also this year, we will have Gord McDougall as Assistant Coach. Last year we coached together the Bantam A team, we finished in the final 4 of Ontario. Gord has also been with Ajax Hockey for years coaching rep teams from Peewee to Bantam.

Our philosophy is simple: Team first, respect for the coaches, refs, teammates and your opponents, stay positive, work hard and have fun playing the game.

See you soon
Coach Patrick

U13 A – (PEEWEE A) - Brad Lagasse

A little about me: I've been hockey obsessed since kindergarten and not much has changed. You can still catch me trying to dangle goalies Sunday nights with the old boys in North Oshawa. Way back when, I was lucky enough during my Minor Bantam year to be part of an OMHA championship team. I've been coaching in Ajax Minor hockey for 6 years, the past 4 with the 2006 group. My coaching philosophy starts with individual skill development. My goal is to ensure every player has a fun year while we focus on their skill develop. Key skills in focus are:

- Skating/Passing/shooting
- Learning to compete
- Individual ownership of their development, and importantly
- Learning the game of hockey.

I'm excited to build on the great 2 years this team had under Coach Mike Matier.

U13 AE (PEEWEE AE) - Adam Mariano

My name is Adam Mariano. Last season was my first year as Head Coach and I've been an assistant coach for several years in minor hockey, baseball and soccer, in Ajax. The opportunity to teach and guide young kids is a privilege. Volunteering my time has been extremely rewarding. I look forward to every sporting event throughout the season and I have learned and strived to improve along the way. Coaching has been a pleasure and a ton of fun.

I like to create a positive environment where players are encouraged to work hard and push themselves while improving and having fun on a team atmosphere.

While much of my focus is on development within the game of hockey I want my players to learn valuable life skills, as well. Time management, personal accountability, respect for others and the importance of hard work are important skills that will help them, not only in hockey, but in life. I believe in being a good person, first, then a good player.
U14 AA (MINOR BANTAM AA) – Jim Earle

I am excited to be the Head Coach of the Minor Bantam AA team for the 2020-2021 season. I grew up in Orillia where I played minor hockey. After Midget I went to play at college and was signed out of college to play in Great Britain. I was a player and coach in the Heineken British Premier league for 5 seasons. I started coaching in the Ajax Minor Hockey Association around 2000 and have coached Minor & Bantam AA, Midget AAA and Minor Midget AA and U21 AA/AAA teams that won OHF Championships. I have also coached Novice AA, Minor & Atom AA. I am excited to pass on my passion and knowledge of hockey to another generation of players. At this age group, there are many factors that shape a player and prepare them for their important coming years of hockey. It is really important that they be guided, taught and mentored so they can reach their full potential as players, team mates, and people. My coaching team, skills team and off ice support teams and I will create an atmosphere that not only promotes a Team First approach but a place that will give each member of the team the best skill set and opportunity for them to move forward in their young hockey journey.

U14 A/AE (MINOR BANTAM A/AE) - Ross Bilton

I am pleased to be selected as the AMHA U14 A/AE coach for the 2020/2021 season. I have two kids in hockey, and have been an active parent/coach for them throughout their hockey career. 2020/2021 will be my 9th year coaching with AMHA, and 3rd year with the DWGA. My coaching philosophy is to provide an environment for kids to achieve individual and team goals in a fun and competitive environment. Each team member will have the opportunity to contribute to the success of the team, with an expectation that parents, coaches, and players must commit to supporting the team objectives. An important aspect to success is ensuring expectations; resources and the playing environment coincide with the individual and team goals. Ensuring our team is provided this opportunity for success on and off the ice will be my goal for next season. The Peewee Select 2019/2020 season has been a rewarding and successful year with a 9.3.4 record. I am looking forward to continuing this success into next season.

U15 AA (BANTAM AA) – Joe Trentadue

Grew up playing for Ajax
OMHA Champion as a player for Ajax
Won ETA Championship with Ajax/Pickering Raiders in first year rebuild
Won Gold with Team Canada in Prague
Scout for Pickering Panthers Junior A
High Performance 1 certified
U16 AA (MINOR MIDGET AA) - Guy Crozier

I am looking forward to coaching this upcoming 20/21 season in what will be my 18th year with the AMHA. My passion and knowledge for hockey started as a 6 year-old minor hockey player, continued as a minor hockey coach of my own son's teams, and this year I will be entering into my 6th season as a non-parent coach. I draw on this wealth of hockey experience to create a fun, positive and successful season for the players and their families.

U18 AA (MIDGET AA) - Bailey Petsinis

Bailey has wide range of experience, having played and coached AAA & AA Hockey & Baseball for many years. He was most recently an assistant coach with the 2018/19 Ajax Knights Minor Midget AA team. You would commonly see Bailey around the rink either watching games or on the ice reffing them. Bailey is a certified Level 3 official with the OMHA and is striving to obtain his Level 4 certification. During the offseason, Bailey is also a Level 3 umpire with Baseball Ontario.

Bailey brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm to the rink and will challenge his team to work hard and continue improving their personal and team skills with fast-paced practices. He is a strong communicator and will motivate the players to compete hard and push their limits.

His overall coaching philosophy is to provide a fun and positive environment with every player succeeding and improving in all aspects of the game. Bailey’s strategy and style of play is a strong skating team with a focus on puck control and possession. He holds the players accountable to play hard but play clean in a respectful/professional manner.

If you’re a player on Bailey’s team, you will be treated with the utmost respect, but there will also be a high expectation when it comes to your commitment to the team and how you represent yourself/your team on and off the ice.

Contact Bailey at: BaileyPetsinis@gmail.com or 647-285-6125

U18 A (MIDGET A) – Sam Guzzo

Played Multiple Levels of Hockey In Ajax From Ages 6-19
Coached: 18/19 Minor Midget AE
19/20 Midget AE