Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse Association Novice Division

Information and Sign-up Sheet for the Jack Crosby Teams

The purpose of this message is to discuss the Coquitlam Jack Crosby teams. This message will provide some background on its purpose, history and it will provide the coaches with the information they require.

Background

The Novice Division does not have a Provincial Championship; however Burnaby Minor Lacrosse hosts a tournament called the Jack Crosby Novice All-Star Tournament July 2-5, 2015. It is considered the premier Novice tournament in the Province.

Information

Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse will submit 3 teams into the Jack Crosby tournament, one Gold, one Silver and one Bronze.

The Gold team is made up of the top 15 or 16 Novice aged players from either A1 or B.

The Silver team is made up of the next best 15 or 16 Novice aged players A1 or B.

The Bronze team will be made up of the top 15 or 16 Novice aged players from either B or C These are competitive teams and players are selected to play on these teams by the designated coaches.

Gold Team Head Coach: Steve McKinley Silver Team Head Coach: Mike Quinn Bronze Team Coach: Garrett Ungaro

Players will be selected for playing on a Jack Crosby team by the following criteria:

- Skill level
- Sportsmanship
- Ability to respect opponents
- Ability to respect game officials
- Unselfish play
- Commitment level
- Families willingness to have fun

Coguitlam Minor Lacrosse sponsors the entry fee (\$650) for the Jack Crosby Tournament.

The teams will be selected and announced after June 19th.

It is expected that teams will be practicing and/or playing games almost daily from the end of regular season up to the tournament. The total number of days to be committed to is the responsibility of the coaches. Exhibition games, both locally and abroad will be set up by the coordinator and/or executive in preparation for the Crosby tournament. It is expected that every player participate in these games.

There is a time and dollar commitment that must be considered when applying to one of these teams.

Players are expected to make the Jack Crosby team their #1 priority (which means being at every practice & game during the entire event). Players who play second sports, and cannot make the Jack Crosby team their #1 priority, are not excluded from playing on one of the teams. However, we ask the families to clearly communicate their commitment level on this sign up sheet.

Provided the commitment level is fair, the player will be considered for the team. It is still the Coaches responsibility to make the final selections and commitment will be one of the criteria.

There are expectations for parents of Jack Crosby team members as well. It is the Associations expectation that all teams win and lose with class. All parents must commit to this and the following:

- Bring a positive attitude
- Respect your team coaches
- Respect all opponent players
- Respect all opponent parents
- Respect all game officials

I know all this sounds incredibly formal but the purpose behind this information is that players and parents understand the process, expectations and commitment level. At the end of the day the Jack Crosby tournament teams are a great experience that I'm confident families will have fun being involved in.

If families **aren't** prepared to have fun and play competitive lacrosse then they should not have their son apply to play on a team.

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