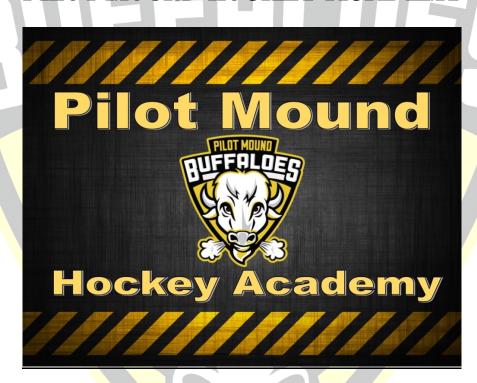
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PILOTAMOUND

PILOT MOUND HOCKEY ACADEMY



EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT, EXPOSURE



# Pilot Mound Hockey Academy

The Pilot Mound Hockey Academy (PMHA) is an academic based, 10-month hockey school; located in Pilot Mound Manitoba, Canada. It is the intention of PMHA to work within the community setting, ensuring we foster strong academic partnerships with Pilot Mound Collegiate and Prairie Spirit School Division as well as the Pilot Mound Community Recreation Complex and our Local and Provincial Hockey Association partners.

Please browse through this publication to find out more about Pilot Mound Hockey Academy.

PMHA is held in high regard within the community, garnering support required and general overall fan base. We also feel that as we move forward with future plans for growth, community support will remain the key to success of PMHA.

Our intention is to continue to grow our Academy as a highly successful entity, developing elite hockey players, grounded in academics and most importantly developing over all good human beings. Pilot Mound Hockey Academy fosters the ability to work as part of a team environment. Players leaving PMHA will have gained strong leadership capabilities that will support them throughout their eventual life pathways.

We welcome all inquiries of interest in Pilot Mound Hockey Academy.

For detailed information we invite you to visit our website at: www.pilotmoundhockeyacademy.com

You may also want to visit our Pilot Mound Community website at www.pilotmound.com

Pilot Mound Hockey Academy is sanctioned by Hockey Manitoba and Hockey Canada and both our Male and Female Midget Elite Division Teams participate in the Canadian Sport School Hockey League.

Please feel free to contact us through e-mail at Pilot Mound Hockey Academy

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### PILOT MOUND HOCKEY ACADEMY MISSION

TO PROVIDE A PROFESSIONAL, EDUCATION BASED HOCKEY PROGRAM, RICHLY EMBEDDED IN COMMUNITY VALUES, WHERE PLAYERS WILL DEVELOP MULTIPLE SKILLS BOTH ON AND OFF THE ICE; ALLOWING THEM TO LEARN LIFE LESSONS AND GROW AS RESPECTED INDIVIDUALS.

THE ACADEMY PREPARES PLAYERS TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL AND EMBRACE IN THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL PREPARATION OF THE GAME OF HOCKEY.

ALL PLAYERS WILL BE FOCUSED ON THEIR EDUCATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEIR HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT.

# PMHA CORE VALUES

### INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY:

- To acknowledge and assume responsibility for our actions and decisions
- To do what we say and to be true to ourselves
- To be open and willing to learn

### DEVELOPMENT:

- To promote a true education based hockey program; believing that academics and hockey are both an essential component to successful development of self and others.
- To develop future leaders emulating competence, character, courage aND Compassion.

### COMMUNITY:

- To understand the importance of belonging to community and contributing to society in a positive environment.
- To learn the positive impact and good citizenship of participating in community events.
- To provide opportunity to participate in a volunteer role, promoting individual growth and learning.
- To be good role models within the community.

### TEAMWORK AND RESPECT:

- To model a high level of respect to yourself and others.
- To build a positive, supportive team environment, incorporating passion, fairness, determination and fostering strong sportsmanship values.
- Inspiring the team to be the best they can be, winning and losing with dignity and respect.

### PILOT MOUND RECREATION FACILITY (PMMRC)

### **OUR HOME ARENA**

PMMRC is an amazing facility that is truly community built, owned and operated. Over the past 15 years it has become the center of the community, featuring a regulation sized arena ice surface, 3 sheet curling rink, an indoor baseball training centre and a Day Care Center. A 100-seat theatre is awaiting final construction, as well as a community museum. The Complex has a unique building history. Initially operating in Sundance Manitoba, the Pilot Mound Community bought, dismantled, transported and rebuilt the complex in Pilot Mound. PMMRC was built by the community and continues to be 100% run and maintained by local community volunteers, including PMHA Players, Coaches and Directors.

In addition to the ample ice surface, the arena has great viewing from the mezzanine level, ice level stands, as well as indoor viewing.

The Buffaloes take to the ice daily for practice, as well as additional ice sessions as opportunities arise. Dryland training takes place after practice.







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The PMMRC has 2 state of the art dressing rooms designated to each of the Pilot Mound Hockey Academy Teams. There are also 5 other dressing rooms available for use as PMHA hosts events.



# **Travel & Transportation:**

PMHA travels a great deal over the year. In the past the Buffaloes have played approximately 60 games per year, therefore there has been extensive travel.







PMHA has access to a 2-48 passenger buses that are utilized by the Buffaloes for all trips. As necessary the players and Coaches also enjoy some air travel













### History and background in keeping with CSSHL Mission

Pilot Mound Hockey Academy shares in the CSSHL Vision "To be National Leaders in Education-Based Hockey". The Coaches, as well as the Directors/Owners, are committed to the fact that we are not only running a competitive hockey team but we are providing a supportive environment promoting Sportsmanship, Citizenship, Academic Excellence and Hockey Development. Head Coaches, Rod Collins and Ernie Sutherland, Assistant Coaches Rick McConnell and Brad Platt, are grounded in the education system, having taught and coached at all levels.

Please review the attached Mission and Core Values that Pilot Mound Hockey Academy has adopted. These statements are important to the organization, as they speak to the core that the Shareholders truly believe in and strive to achieve as we make decisions in regard to the Academy.

#### From the CSSHL Website:

#### ABOUT THE CSSHL

CSSHL League Mission Statement: "To be National Leaders in Education-Based Hockey"

In 2009, five like-minded Hockey Canada Sport Schools came together to launch the Canadian Sport School Hockey League. Their vision was to establish a league designed specifically for elite level student athletes, give these athletes an opportunity to increase their skills on and off the ice, and provide athletes with a high level of competition as well as exposure.

The inaugural 2009-10 season featured five sport schools and eight total teams spread across two divisions. During the 2016-17 season, the CSSHL featured 18 sport schools and 60 teams in seven different divisions.

All programs within the CSSHL are sanctioned Hockey Canada Sport Schools, meeting the regulations of not only Hockey Canada, but Hockey Alberta, BC Hockey and Hockey Manitoba.

The CSSHL continually strives to be a leader in education based hockey in North America with Hockey Canada registered Sport Schools. The objective of the league is to provide a competitive environment for young student athletes that share similar values of Sportsmanship, Citizenship, Academic Excellence and Hockey Development

## Pilot Mound Collegiate

### **Prairie Spirit School Division**

All Players MUST attend Pilot Mound Collegiate for school year. This is a CSSHL rule and is in place in order to promote a consistent educational based program that allows PMHA to have a dedicated practice time within the school structure so as not to jeopardize schooling. Road trips include opportunity for school work to remain up to date. Coaches work closely and are on site at the Collegiate, connecting with the Principal and Teachers on a regular basis. The Coaches have regular reporting systems in place with the students and teachers; they have worked together with all students. For those struggling in academics, they partner together to find methods of providing assistance so that students will succeed academically.

It is the expectation of PMHA that players will participate in as many school activities as possible within their schedule.

To see more about the school please go to:

https://sites.google.com/a/prspirit.org/pmci/

On the Pilot Mound Collegiate website please view the Pilot Mound School Handbook for all of the information required for the school.

There is also a link on the Pilot Mound Hockey Academy Website for Pilot Mound High School



Study Hall at the Dorms and on the Road





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### **Volunteering:**

The PMHA players are also regularly connected with community volunteer opportunities. Being a smaller community volunteerism is not an option. The players are regularly involved in the operation and cleaning of the complex, assisting with community events and fundraisers; helping out wherever needed on a regular basis. PMHA directors/owners are all rooted deeply in the community and feel that volunteerism builds character and it is just part of being in the Pilot Mound Community; this sentiment is an expectation of all of the players.

















# PMHA PLAYER HOUSING

PMHA provides Player dormitory style housing. Rooms are all separate occupancy with a separate Dining and Recreation area. Some players stay in the community with family / friends.













# **COACHING STAFF**

# ROD COLLINS; General Manager Female/ Male Midget Program

Coach Collins is from Pilot Mound, MB Canada where he grew up fine tuning his hockey skills. He is currently the Head Coach and General Manager of the Pilot Mound Hockey Academy. Last season he was the Head Coach of the Bellingham Junior Blazers U16 team. He was also the GM of the Wenatchee Wild in the North American Hockey League (NAHL) and the Head Coach of the Wenatchee Wild U18 Hockey Program. He had been a head coach of boys hockey at Shattuck St. Mary's for 10 years and was with the Notre Dame Hounds hockey program from 1989 to 1997. He has coached the game of hockey for 30 years. He has also coached in the Manitoba (MJHL), Saskatchewan (SJHL) and BC (BCHL) Junior Leagues. Coach Collins has Level Five Certification through USA Hockey and Advanced Level with Hockey Canada. Rod has a B.A. degree in Education from Brandon University.

### MALE MIDGET PROGRAM

### RICK MCCONNELL: Head Coach, Male Midget Program

Rick is a native of Pilot Mound where he played his minor hockey. He went on to play four seasons with the Pembina Valley Hawks in the MB AAA Midget League, the Winkler Flyers of the MJHL and Pilot Mound Pilots of the THHL. McConnell began his coaching career in 1992 and most recently coached the AAA Bantam PV Hawks. Some of his coaching highlights include coaching the PV Hawks AAA Midgets for 11 seasons, being quite successful and winning the League Championship in 1996. During that time he was selected to coach the Western AAA All Stars on 6 occasions. Several years were spent coaching his boys in minor hockey as well as helping lead the Pilot Mound Senior team to a League Championship. Currently, Rick scouts for the Winkler Flyers of the MJHL. He looks forward to coaching in his home town and continuing to develop young hockey players. He lives in Pilot Mound with his wife Marcie and their two boys, Tyson and Carson. Rick is employed by the Prairie Spirit School Division.

### **ERNIE SUTHERLAND: Assistant HEAD COACH & TRAINER**

PMHA is very excited to have Ernie Sutherland as the Female Midget Coach. Ernie is an Advanced II Level Coach with Hockey Canada. He is a veteran in the Coaching and Player Development Field, having spent 15 years as the Head, Associate and Asst Coach with the Winkler Flyers (MJHL). Ernie was the Asst. Coach (Russian Tour 1987 and the Head Coach at the Under 17 World Championships for Team Canada (Team West). Sutherland's coaching background also includes the head Coach of IMG Academies (Bradenton, FL.) and 10 years as a Guest Coach in Sweden. He has NHL experience as an Advanced Scout with the Minnesota North Stars and Philadelphia.

## **FEMALE MIDGET PROGRAM**

### HARRY MAHESH: HEAD COACH

Harry joins PMHA from Alberta where he has recently coached the past 2 seasons. Harry brings with him his 6 years of junior hockey playing experience. A Native of Vanderhoof BC, Harry spent 3 seasons playing in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League for the Winkler Flyers. In Winkler, he served as team captain and played under current PMHA Female coach Ernie Sutherland. Harry also spent 7 seasons playing professional hockey in both Europe and North America. Harrys passion and dedication for the game is a welcome addition to the female program as they enter their second season. Harry currently lives in Calgary AB with his girlfriend Danielle, who is a member of Canada's Olympic Wrestling Team. He welcomes the challenge of coaching the girls and having the opportunity to develop their game, helping them achieve their goals in the sport of hockey.

### BRAD PLATT, Assistant Coach

PMHA is also very excited to round out the coaching staff and we are proud to introduce more home grown talent, as Brad Platt steps in as the Assistant Coach for the Lady Buffaloes. We are fortunate as Brad joins the coaching staff and will begin working together to recruit the team. Brad looks forward to being part of this new venture and we already know he will become involved in the community and will help move this team forward. Brad played his entire minor hockey years in Pilot Mound and then moved on with the Selkirk Steelers and Southeast Blades. His coaching experience involves many levels of the game from minor hockey through to "AAA" teams, both male and female. Most recently, Brad coached the Shaftesbury Titans Female Prep team in Winnipeg.

## **AWARDS AND ACOLADES!**

#### PMHA Well Represented at NAHC

Congratulations to Bryden Sinclair (Peguis, MB) on winning the NAHC tournament in Cowichan, BC from May 1st-6th with team Manitoba!

Seth Ningeongan (Rankin Inlet, NU) also played in the tournament with Team North.





#### CSSL 2017 Awards

On Thursday, March 16th the PMHA Buffaloes attended the 2016/17 CSSHL Awards Ceremony presented by BDO and the CSSHL. PMHA has 3 recipients of the CSSHL Awards:

Tyrae Fountain - Midget Varsity Most Valuable Player

Ben Hilhorst - Midget Varsity Top Defenceman

Carson McConnell - CSSHL All Academic Team, WHL Scholastic Player Of The Year



#### Hi Rod.

I just wanted to send along a note of thanks to you. We enjoyed watching the boys play this weekend, despite the losses, I find they are all improving and working hard. It is fast, skilled hockey that is very enjoyable to watch.

Every time we see Jack he has a smile on his face!

He tells us how much he is learning from you, Rick and Ernie and how he loves being on the ice every day. When I ask him who his spends time with he causally says "all of the boys." And he is very happy to be billeted at the Bell's.

I think anyone who is part of building a team wants to create a great culture and environment. It is something that isn't easily achieved, or possible without purposeful design, but apparent within the Buffaloes family.

Every time we are in Pilot Mound we feel welcomed and confident that our son is in a caring community – and this is shared by a number of families I have met and spoke with. I am often asked by people if it is hard to have Jack living away from home and I am sometimes embarrassed to say no. But I tell people he is really LOVING this experience and we are very thankful to all of you – coaches, owners, billets and community - for making it so exceptional!.........With thanks, Dara & Keith Stewart

Having Rod Collins for the Pilot Mound Hockey Program is the key that will help kids develop and learn from someone who has years of experience in the boarding school style of hockey development. Rod was like a teacher for me in how to play the game, develop my skill set and be a competitor. In the 17 years of University and professional hockey around the world, I only wish I had been given more time to train under Rod.... JACOB MICFLIKIER

Good evening Ginger, this is something we always wanted Seth to try out for and it was a challenge coming from Nunavut and especially being a goalie. He hasn't complained about anything and enjoying the program and unless he really needs something from home he contacts us which is rarely. It is life changing for him to be down south in a good way. There isn't much to do up here in Rankin, and is living an experience that won't last forever. He has fit in well with his new family in PM.... Ann

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CSSHL Silver Medalists 2017

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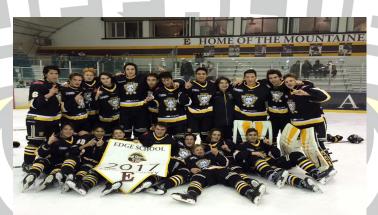


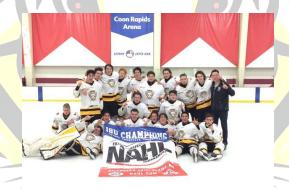
2017 PMHA Midget Girls win first EVER tournament!

With a special visitor at the tournament Hayley Wickenheiser



PMHA Male Midget Program wins Edge Tournament 2017





PMHA Male Midget Program wins in Blaine, MN

# 2018-2019 MALE VARSITY TEAM



2018-2019 FEMALE VARSITY TEAM

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