

PYH Families,

We hope that everyone is hanging in there and finding the positives during these uncertain times. We are a strong community and all in this together! Thank you to all essential workers in our community, especially our first responders and healthcare workers. We are blessed to have such great role models around us. In this social distancing environment, we have seen an increase in zoom calls, social media challenges, online healthy habit resources, drive thru birthday parties, and quality family time. Keep it up!

Please read below as we have several important updates for everyone.

In preparation for the 2020-2021 season, we will launch our registration on April 1st. As done in the past, this will be the same day USA Hockey opens its registration, which will be required to sign up with PYH. Registration will be open April 1st through May 14<sup>th</sup> for all groups. All players will be waitlisted after May 14<sup>th</sup> if they register after that date. The only exception will be Mites and U6, as those groups will remain open through the fall. We understand that many of our families may have questions about any financial commitment at this time. Please reach out to the PYH Board if you wish to discuss any hardships (in confidence).

Pembroke Youth Hockey offers you the following:

- Hockey for all Ages and Skill Levels, from Learn to Play to Midgets.
- Dedicated Girls program with teams at U10, U12, U14, and U19 levels.
- Discounts for full-time Goalies.
- August and September tryouts to encourage growth over the summer.
- Weekly Sunday summer half ice 3v3s (April-August).
- Weekly team practices (September-April).
- Weekly age group skills led by Ben Travers, Skills coordinator (September-April).
- All practice & skill sessions played locally at Hobomock Arenas at consistent times.
- Weekly goalie / shooting clinic Saturday mornings (September-April).
- Weekend games (30 per full season team) played locally.
- Checking clinics (4x per year for Peewees and Bantams).
- USA Hockey certified & trained coaches.
- Socks & practice jerseys for all full season players (included in tuition).
- Participation in district playdowns & state tournament (squirts & up, included in tuition).
- Jersey program (purchase online separately during the summer).
- \$10K cash prize fundraising raffle and party held in February 2021.
- Partnerships with Salt Shack Crossfit, Adidas, Quality Sports Hub, & The Hockey Think Tank.
- THE LOWEST TUITION COST on the South Shore.

There are so many hockey choices out there for your players, including club and private teams, school hockey, and other town offerings. Our goal at Pembroke Youth Hockey is to provide a safe, growth oriented, family friendly and stable environment for your players to learn the great sport of hockey through an affordable and enjoyable experience. We are inclusive to everyone,

regardless of age, experience, or skill level. Winning is secondary at PYH, with an extra emphasis on growth and development on and off the ice.

If looking at other programs, our most important advice is to ask the following questions: Are they flexible on cost and aware of what is happening in this environment? Who are the coaches and directors? What makes up their character? What is the development plan? Practice:Games ratio? Ideally >3:1. Is the strategy all about the wins? Or to get the child ready for the next year on and off the ice? It should always be about development, fun, getting prepared for the next level, and learning life lessons. Be careful of playing too many games, taking too many trips, and not focusing on skills. Lastly, does my kid benefit socially?

We do have a slight tuition increase next year due to increased costs associated with ice costs, league fees, and payment processing changes. Our tuition will still be the LOWEST on the South Shore for everything we offer. For full season registrations, we will also be including the \$100 fee for your player's raffle ticket for our \$10K Cash prize raffle ticket fundraiser, which you can sell on your own and transfer to someone else if you choose (girls with multiple registrations will have their costs adjusted to only 1 ticket after registration).

2020-2021 Tuition rates (full season rate includes your \$100 raffle ticket):

- \$750 ½ Season U19 Girls & Y18 Midgets
- \$250 Goalie ½ Season U19 Girls & Y18 Midgets
- \$1475 U12 Girls, U10 Girls, U14 Girls, Y14 Bantam, Y12 Peewee, Y10 Squirts
- \$500 Goalie U12 Girls, U10 Girls, U14 Girls, Y14 Bantam, Y12 Peewee, Y10 Squirts, Y8 Mites
- \$1325 Y8 Mites
- \$800 U6 Mighty Mites

\*\*\*In order to receive the Goalie Discount, all goalies must attend all tryout sessions at their age level. Goalies must also have their own gear and commit to playing the position all season.

The board recently voted and approved to lower our 2020-2021 registration fee from \$300 to \$100. This fee is nonrefundable. We also approved to extend our payment plan duration to a 10 month payment plan for our full season players, and a 7 month payment plan for our half season players. This payment plan duration extension is for the 2020-2021 season only. Payment plans start May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We will refund all funds minus the \$100 fee if you choose not to play for PYH on or before Sept 4<sup>th</sup>. Payment schedules are listed at the bottom of this letter on page 4.

Our tryout dates are unaffected by CV19 and any current rink closures. Midgets and U19 Girls will tryout on a Sunday mid to late August. U10/U12/U14 Girls will tryout August 31<sup>st</sup>. Mites, Squirts, Peewees, and Bantams will tryout Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Teams will be announced Sept 4<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, our tryouts are later than everyone else because we encourage taking a break from hockey, playing other sports, and acknowledge physical growth over the summer months. We also place an importance on the 2019-2020 season coach's evaluations of players (due April 1<sup>st</sup>) for future team placement. Tryout schedule is listed at the bottom of this letter on page 5.

Family discount reminder. Discounts are applied to families that have 3 or more registrations in our program. Discounts are applied at 50% from oldest child to youngest child. Only one discount per child. If you already receive a goalie discount, that child is not eligible for a family discount.

A new USA Hockey Registration (IMR #) is mandatory to register with PYH. There is a cost for this. It is free for U6. On or after April 1<sup>st</sup>, please go to the USA Hockey [website](#) and obtain your new #. This provides additional benefits and is also your annual on the ice insurance policy. Write your IMR # down and enter it into your PYH profile during the registration process. PYH will reimburse all coaches for their IMR # cost once all annual coaching requirements are completed.

We are updating our jerseys this summer as a majority of the players in the program have jerseys that are 2 years old. We are moving to a navy and a white jersey for all players. We will have an online purchase program in May/June. This is a separate cost from tuition. Stay tuned for more information as it becomes available.

Anyone interested in coaching (new or experienced), must complete a coaching application found [here](#) on the PYH website, and send to PYH Coaching Coordinator Ryan Macdonald via email ([r\\_macdona@yahoo.com](mailto:r_macdona@yahoo.com)). We would really like to have more female coaching candidates.

We are also always looking for more volunteers. We cannot be successful without the help of our members. Everyone on the board should have someone to share responsibilities within their role. All open positions are underlined below at the bottom of this letter on the PYH Board and additional Roles on page 6.

Optional Sunday Summer Half Ice 3v3s are currently scheduled April 26th through August 30th, 2020 @ Rink 2. Schedule: 8:00 AM (Mites / U6), 9:10 AM (Squirts / U10), 10:20 AM (PeeWee / U12 / U14), 11:30 AM (Bantam). There is no cost to anyone registered with PYH for the 2020-2021 season. Also, there is no coaching during 3v3s, only dropping pucks. We encourage fun & creativity all summer if you choose to attend.

Thank you again for your continued commitment to our program, your feedback and ideas. We hope to see you again for the upcoming season. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the PYH Board directly or via email at [info@pembroketitansyouth.org](mailto:info@pembroketitansyouth.org).

Thank you,

Pembroke Youth Hockey

• \$750 ½ Season U19 Girls & Y18 Midgets			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 92.86	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 92.86	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 92.86	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 92.86	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 92.86	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 92.86	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 92.86	15-Nov-20	
	\$ 750.00	TOTAL	
• \$1475 U12 Girls, U10 Girls, U14 Girls, Y14 Bantam, Y12 Pee wee, Y10 Squirts			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 137.50	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 137.50	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 137.50	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 137.50	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 137.50	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 137.50	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 137.50	15-Nov-20	
#8	\$ 137.50	15-Dec-20	
#9	\$ 137.50	15-Jan-21	
#10	\$ 137.50	15-Feb-21	
	\$ 1,475.00	TOTAL	
• \$1325 Y8 Mites			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 122.50	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 122.50	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 122.50	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 122.50	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 122.50	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 122.50	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 122.50	15-Nov-20	
#8	\$ 122.50	15-Dec-20	
#9	\$ 122.50	15-Jan-21	
#10	\$ 122.50	15-Feb-21	
	\$ 1,325.00	TOTAL	

• \$250 Goalies ½ Season U19 Girls & Y18 Midgets			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 21.43	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 21.43	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 21.43	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 21.43	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 21.43	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 21.43	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 21.43	15-Nov-20	
	\$ 250.00	TOTAL	
• \$500 Goalie U12 Girls, U10 Girls, U14 Girls, Y14 Bantam, Y12 Pee wee, Y10 Squirts, Y8 Mites			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 40.00	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 40.00	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 40.00	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 40.00	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 40.00	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 40.00	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 40.00	15-Nov-20	
#8	\$ 40.00	15-Dec-20	
#9	\$ 40.00	15-Jan-21	
#10	\$ 40.00	15-Feb-21	
	\$ 500.00	TOTAL	
• \$800 U6 Mighty Mites			
Payment	Amount	Date	
Registration	\$ 100.00	4/1-5/14	
#1	\$ 70.00	15-May-20	
#2	\$ 70.00	15-Jun-20	
#3	\$ 70.00	15-Jul-20	
#4	\$ 70.00	15-Aug-20	
#5	\$ 70.00	15-Sep-20	
#6	\$ 70.00	15-Oct-20	
#7	\$ 70.00	15-Nov-20	
#8	\$ 70.00	15-Dec-20	
#9	\$ 70.00	15-Jan-21	
#10	\$ 70.00	15-Feb-21	
	\$ 800.00	TOTAL	

## **PYH 2020 - 2021 Tryout Schedule**

Sunday 8/16 or 23

9:10am U19 Girls Rink 2

10:20am Midgets Rink 2

Monday 8/31

6:10pm U10, U12, U14 Girls Rink 1

Wednesday 9/2

6:10pm Mites Rink 1

6:40pm Squirts Rink 2

7:50pm Peewees Rink 2

Thursday 9/3

5:30pm Mites Rink 2

6:10pm Squirts Rink 1

7:50pm Peewee Rink 2

8:30pm Bantam Rink 1

\*\*\*additional tryout times may be announced during the week of 8/31

## **PYH Board and additional roles as of May 1, 2020**

--> Executive Board (with voting rights). The executive board is voted on every 2 years:

- President – Jeremiah Tabor, ending 2022
- 1st VP – Scott McKee, ending 2021
- 2nd VP – Rick Casavant, ending 2022
- Treasurer – David Sweetser, ending 2021
- Secretary – Ryan Macdonald, ending 2022

--> Appointed annually (with voting rights). These positions are part of the board of directors with voting rights and are appointed annually by the executive board every year:

- Registrar – Jeremiah Tabor, to be vacated
- Coaching Coordinator – Ryan Macdonald, to be vacated
- Tryout Coordinator – Greg Scott
- Webmaster – Jim Dunphy

-->Additional Roles (non voting rights). These positions are part of the board but do not have voting rights and are appointed annually by the executive board every year:

- Boosters (under Treasurer) – Jeff Skeiber
- Apparel Representative – Derek Small
- District 4 & MA Hockey Rep – Jeremiah Tabor, to be vacated
- Little Bruins Coordinator – Lauren Hetrick
- South Shore Conference Rep – Scott Mckee
- Bay State Hockey League Rep – Vacant
- Skills Coordinator – Ben Travers
- Goalie Clinic Coordinator – Paul Pijanowski & Marty Carabin
- Equipment & Safety Manager – Vacant
- Events Director – Vacant
- Fundraising – Vacant
- Director of Team Managers / Parent Coordinators – Vacant
- Director of Public Relations / Marketing – Vacant

--> Level Directors (non voting rights). These positions report to the board but do not have voting rights and are usually the A level coach unless appointed by the executive board every year:

- Girls Director – Vacant
- LTPH Director – Vacant
- U6 Director – Vacant
- Mite Director – Vacant
- Squirt Director – Vacant
- PeeWee Director – Vacant
- Bantam Director – Vacant
- Midget Director – Vacant