



White Plains, NY

WHITE PLAINS HOCKEY CLUB

Welcome from the Board:

The new board has been working hard since taking their positions in June to make sure all age groups have a successful hockey season. We want to thank Dave Pellon and Sue Garnsey in particular for all their hard work over the last several years as well as all the other volunteers that spent countless hours helping the organization run. This year we have a largely new board and we want to acknowledge their willingness to donate their time:

President - DJ Beil
 Vice President - Lisa Bernstein
 Treasurer - Rob Stabile
 Secretary - Open
 Fund-Raising - Pepe Rodriguez & John Muzzio
 Apparel - Melanie LaRosa & Meg Leddy
 Events - Danielle Gecht
 March Meltdown Tournament - Jenna DiBenedetto
 Hockey Operations Director - Doug Harrison

If anyone has an interest in volunteering for the Secretary position or to help our board members in their respective areas (March Meltdown Tournament, Events, etc....) - please reach out to DJ Beil or Lisa Bernstein.

Coaches & Managers:

All our coaches/managers are volunteers and we want to acknowledge their commitment to providing our hockey players the experience we've all become accustomed to as Plainsmen. A special thank-you to Doug Harrison who is coaching three teams (18U, Bantam TB, Pee-Wee A) while his son is on 16U. Coaching and managing is a big time commitment and makes a huge difference in the development of our players across all levels. We also want to thank Ariel Hernandez who is in his first full year working for the Rec Department as the Ebersole Rink Director and Recreation Leader. He has been a huge help over the summer and has been getting prepared for the season opener.

By now you should have been contacted (probably multiple times) by your manager, but by level, our Coaches & Managers for each team are:

18U: Doug Harrison (C), Bill Morea (C), Rich Myers (C), Mike Pizzutello (C), Susan Pizzutello (M)

16U: Joe Wedge (C), Bill Morea (C), Rich Myers (C), Susan Rosson (M)

Bantam TB: Doug Harrison (C), Scott Kushnick (C), Tom Hauser (C), Ed Morea (C), Kim Kaplan (M)

Batnam A: Mike Broderick (C), Patrick McCormack (C), Jeff Marvin (C), Stephanie Marvin (M)

Pee-Wee A: Doug Harrison (C), Mike Delia (C), Jenna DiBenedetto (M)

Pee-Wee B: Chris Malloy (C), Rob Dallesandro (C), Seth Rosenfield (C), Karen Rosenfield (M)

Squirt A: Jason Leddy (C), Kevin Kearns (C), Evan Gould (C), John Emmert (M)

Squirt B: JC Moreno (C), Jim Casey (C), Nick LaRosa (C), Dean Medico (C), Jim O'Connor (C), Kayla Colasacco (M)

Mite A: Steve Fugarino (C), Chris Malloy (C), Amy Friedman (M)

Mite B/C: Scott Dooley (C), Amy Friedman (M)

For all the parents new to the program, coaching your hockey player is a hugely rewarding experience. If you have any hockey experience and are interested in helping coach at the younger levels please let us know and we can provide you the steps necessary to get on the ice.



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Apparel:

Its hard to believe with the 92 degree weather outside, that soon enough it will be hockey weather and that means dressing accordingly. This year, Melanie and Megan have set up an on-line store to order Plainsmen apparel and the clothing looks great!

The website link is: https://stores.inksoft.com/plainsmen_hockey/shop/home

The store will close Labor Day and merchandise will be available to be picked up at Melanie LaRosa's home or at Ebersole the first weekend of hockey practice.

Practice Jerseys:

Our new practice jersey's are in and being distributed to the team managers. So thanks for submitting your sizes and we hope that you like them as much as we do. They are traditional plainsmen green and a picture of them is available on our Facebook page.

We want to thank the following sponsors for providing donations to fully fund them this year:

A & A Management
Integrated Management
Greenway Services
Ivy Rehabilitation

Bellantoni Landscaping
Endless Adventure Camps
Pizza Luca

Labor Day Tournament:

We have 4 teams competing in a Labor Day tournament in Philadelphia including the 18U TB, 16 UT, Bantam TB and Pee-Wee A team. Details on the tournament are available at:

<https://iceworks.net/hockey/iceworks-hockey-tournaments/tournaments/iceworks-labor-day-tournament-2018/>

We will be posting updates on our Facebook page so you can follow the team progress. If you are down in the Philly area and interested in supporting the teams we are sure they would welcome it.

Facebook:

Please take the 30 seconds to login on Facebook and follow the WP Plainsmen Hockey Club. We will continue to provide updates from the program and teams on social media through the season. It can also serve as a more directed way to distributed program information to all members of our hockey community.

MISC:

A couple of other odds and ends that we are working on ahead of the season:

- All teams (ex Mite B) will be on the ice BEFORE Ebersole opens on Oct 15th, something the Board believes will help our hockey players be more competitive as the season starts.
- Our Mite A team will be participating in the Chelsea Piers League on Sunday's, with the program providing some financial support.
- Doug Harrison and other upper level coaches will be hosting a "checking clinic" prior to the start of Hockey Season. It will be hosted at Hommocks Ice Rink on Sep 9th @ 8:30am and costs \$35. RSVP if interested in attending.
- If you have a small business we would love to include you in our program, please contact Pepe Rodriguez (j_rodriguez@winebow.com) or John Muzzio (muzzioj@hotmail.com).
- The organization raised and donated over \$750 dollars for Maurice Campbell and his family . Any additional donations are still welcome and will be passed on to the family through the form of a Seamless Web gift card to help with food as they deal with this difficult situation.
- Equipment Swap is an idea we've been considering. If you have used equipment that you would like to donate to the program please contact us instead of throwing it away. Or if you need equipment please feel free to reach out to us.