# Southern Stars Ice Hockey Club

2020 Junior Season Kick-Off Parent Meeting 1 March 2020

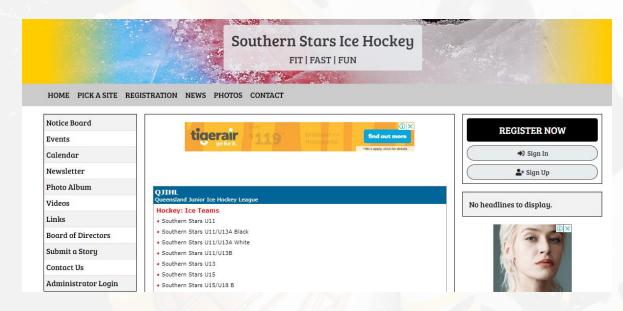


# Welcome back & welcome to new members!



#### **JUNIOR REGISTRATION**

- QJIHL registration via Southern Stars esportsdesk
- See Q&A section for steps to register



http://www.esportsdesk.com/leagues/pick\_league.cfm?cl ientID=6402&leagueID=0

Registration is **MANDATORY** before being allowed on the ice for insurance purposes



#### **JUNIOR FEES**

- Ice hire fees have increased across all rinks
- Officials fees have also increased
- Higher 1st instalment fee required this year
- 2nd Instalment fee will be determined based on costs and number of registrations
- Price per age group is the same this year
- We will do our best to provide similar number of games per team, however due to changes in ice availability throughout the year, this may not be fully possible

Fee Components	Cost & Timing	Includes (but not limited to)	
Southern Stars Membership	\$60 Upfront	Club administration / running costs	
IHQ Registration	\$70 Upfront	IHQ & IHA Membership / Insurance Costs	
IHA Registration	\$143 Upfront		
1 <sup>st</sup> Instalment Fee	\$550 Upfront	Junior Training & Game costs (QJIHL & In- house)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment Fee	~\$250-\$350 (TBD) (June)		



#### **TRAINING**

- Standard training times initially as per last year
- Training structure is being reviewed with potential changes coming soon to increase ice area for each age group

Division	Standard Training Times	
U18 (Midget)	Sunday 7:30-9:00am	
U15 (Bantam)	Sullday 7.30-3.00aili	
U13 (Peewee)		
U11 (Atom Majors)	Sunday 9:00-10:30am	
U9 (Atom Minors)		





# **TEAM STRUCTURE**

Division	Training	# Teams	Team	Head Coach	Asst Coaches	Manager
U18 (Midget)	Sunday 7:30-9:00am	1	U18	Ivan Rapchuk	Thomas Kiliwnik Ash Crowe	Jenifer Brophy
U15 (Bantam)	Sunday 7:30-9:00am	1	U15	Mike Harrow	Duncan Campbell Grady Perlin	Cathy Murdoch
U13 (Peewee)	Sunday 9:00-10.30am	2	U13/11A	Chris Smith	Mike Talintyre Chad Rieger	Ben Mollee
U11 (Atom Majors)	Sunday 9:00-10.30am	2	U13/11B	ТВА	Blair Ivens	Vacant
U9 (Atom Minors)	Sunday 9:00-10.30am	1 or 2 (dep on numbers)	U9 WHITE U9 BLACK	Zoe Cunningham	David Lane, David Redmond, Cody Duschka, Bart Gladysz	Rachael Salmon



# U13/11 GRADING

- Conducted by Coaches and Coaching Director over 2 sessions
- Grading based on factors such as skating skills, hockey skills, coachability, attitude, etc.
- Team selections by Mar 20<sup>th</sup> and communicated via your new Team Manager
- Initial selections are not final and will be revisited as needed during the year
- Players will also have opportunities to play up, down or across to other teams during the year to gain experience and more games
- Any questions about individuals should be directed to the Coaching Director (Ivan Rapchuk)

Division	# Grading Sessions	Times	Format	
U13 (Peewee)	2	<ul> <li>Sun 8 Mar, 4:30-6:45pm, Boondall</li> <li>Sun 15 Mar, 3:30-5:45pm, Acacia Ridge</li> </ul>	Sessions combined with Buccs & Grizzlys however each club grading their own players	
U11 (Atom Majors)	2	<ul> <li>Sun 8 Mar, 4:30-6:45pm, Boondall</li> <li>Sun 15 Mar, 3:30–5:45pm, Acacia Ridge</li> </ul>		



# PLAYING UP / DOWN / ACROSS

- Southern Stars supports getting full teams of appropriate skill and age players for every game allowing players to gain extra ice time in game situations.
- Playing up will be skewed to the second-year players in each age however this will even out over the course of a hockey player's junior career
- In cases of playing across, the same overall consideration will be used, however first-year players will
  also be given the opportunity to play and get extra games
- The opportunity to play up / across is not a right, but based on a number of factors
- The Team Managers / Coaches will keep a log of who has been asked to play up or play across. If a
  player is asked and turns that offer down, that is counted as one opportunity. Equality of
  opportunity, not equality of outcome.



#### **TOURNAMENT TEAM SELECTION**

Coaches will consider the following when selecting tournament teams:

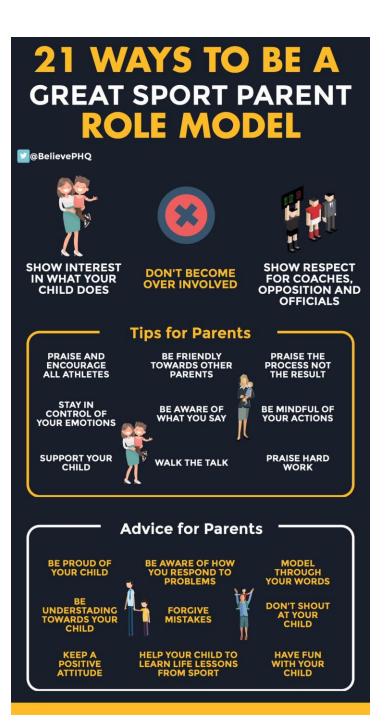
- A timely response to the tournament expression of interest
- Commitment to training and games over the past hockey season with respect to attendance, attitude and effort – both on and off the ice
- Desire to be coached and a willingness to listen to instruction and feedback from Coaches
- Recognition that sportsmanship and a good attitude are a requirement in team sports.
   The player must understand and fulfil team concepts and bring a positive attitude to teammates
- At the older age groups, positional needs of the team will also be taken into consideration regarding suitability of positions (e.g. how many defenders and forwards are required)
- For teams travelling to competitive tournaments, hockey skills, decision making ability (game sense), athleticism, speed and development potential will also be considered



# RESPECT IN SPORTS

THESE ARE KIDS THIS IS A GAME **COACHES ARE VOLUNTEERS REFEREES ARE HUMAN** THIS IS NOT THE STANLEY CUP FINALS **RESPECT THE GAME** AND HAVE FUN!

HOW TO BE A GOOD SPORTS PARENT





### JUNIOR COMMUNICATION METHODS



Southern Stars Team App



Southern Stars
Junior Ice Hockey
Members Group



Junior
Co-ordinator
Email Notices &
Stars Club
Newsletters



Southern Stars
Website / Calendar
<a href="https://www.starsicehocke">https://www.starsicehocke</a>
<a href="y.com.au/stars-calendar/">y.com.au/stars-calendar/</a>



#### TEAM APP - NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL

This is the key way players & parents will access up to date informatincluding:

- News: key updates from the Club will be posted here and update weekly/as needed
- Events: eg. Come and Try, tournaments, Awards Night
- Schedule: Calendar with games and trainings for each age group final approvals – will be updated to app ASAP)
- Teams: list of current players for each team + Coach and Manage contact details (phone/email) (This is pending for those teams involved in upcoming grading)



#### TEAM APP - NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL

- Chat: a place for team specific "chat" to occur (this will replace 'official' team messenger groups)
- Gallery: a place to upload photos/videos of team games and events (access to viewing these images can be restricted to specific teams)
- Social Media: links to the Stars official Facebook page
- Stars Store: 24/7 online order/purchase of Stars jerseys, socks, supporter merchandise and additional hockey equipment (pick-ups at training no postage)
- Newsletters: copies of club newsletters and junior notices
- Documents: links to key documents such as members handbook, tournament flyers, managers job description etc



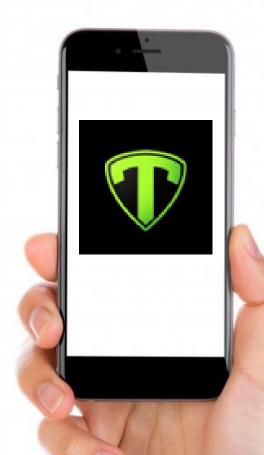
#### **HOW TO DOWNLOAD TEAM APP**

- 1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.
- 2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
- 3. Log into the App and search for "Southern Stars Ice Hockey Club".
- 4. Choose your applicable access group(s). Please advise your child's name so we can assign them to the correct team.
  A request will then be sent to admin to approve.
- 5. If you don't have a smartphone go to <a href="www.teamapp.com/clubs/514375">www.teamapp.com/clubs/514375</a> to sign up and view this App online.

**Tip:** Please make sure you search for TEAM APP in the app store and select the logo pictured to the right

Once you have downloaded TEAM APP then you search for Southern Stars Ice Hockey Club (in full).

If you don't have a smart phone you can still signup / access the content via the web at <a href="https://www.teamapp.com/clubs/514375">www.teamapp.com/clubs/514375</a>



#### **NEW CALENDARS ON STARS WEBSITE**

https://www.starsicehockey.com.au/stars-calendar/

- The Southern Stars Ice Hockey Website Calendar includes separate calendars for:
  - Stars Events Calendar (for whole of club)
  - U18 Game Calendar
  - U15 Game Calendar
  - U13/11 A&B Game Calendar
  - U9 Game Calendar
  - BUIHL Matchups
  - Senior In-house Matchups
- Includes key dates/events e.g. season start/finish, tournaments, tournament EOI deadlines, awards dinner, come and try, car boot sale, BUIHL finals, Senior Inhouse finals etc
- When on the Stars website you can click the Google Calendar button below the calendar to sync the Stars calendars with your own Google calendar



#### **GAME SCHEDULE**

Although best efforts are made to provide a final schedule for the full year this is difficult for many reasons such as unexpected rink events, tournament conflicts etc.

Any changes to the schedule will be communicated as early as possible



#### **JERSEY CHANGE**

- Junior Club is moving to new sublimated reversable jerseys (white one side, black on the other) + new sublimated reversable socks from the next order (timing & costs TBA)
- We are changing from yellow to black socks immediately for all tournament teams who wear black jerseys (white socks still with white jerseys)
- Yellow socks can continue to be worn at club games and training
- New jerseys are likely to have a new Stars logo and slight jersey redesign (further information will be provided when available)
- Players can continue to wear existing jerseys. There is no requirement in 2020 to purchase new jerseys
- Tournament teams will move to new jerseys if all players have them



#### JERSEY - WHY ARE WE CHANGING?

- In response to extensive player and parent feedback
- To improve the quality and professionalism of our jerseys and Stars brand
- To ensure jerseys remain affordable (2 jerseys in 1)
- To reduce wait time for orders by renegotiating minimum order quantities
- To reduce instances of players bringing wrong jersey to games/tournaments
- To increase uniform flexibility e.g. splitting teams for in-house games



#### MERCHANDISE

- Merchandise available for sale jerseys, socks, t-shirts, hats, hoodies, jackets, neck guards, stick tape, sock tape, water bottles etc
- Can purchase via new Team App Stars
   Store 24/7 via secure payment facility
- Pick-up of ordered merchandise will be at Juniors training from 9am Sundays from the office/merchandise room (located upstairs – staircase between entrance and skate hire)
- Purchases can also be made at training sessions
- For more information please contact Katey at

<u>merchandising@starsicehockey.com.au</u>



#### FOCUS AREAS FOR 2020



BETTER USE OF ICE TIME



CONTINUE TO
HAVE MORE
PLAY UP
OPPORTUNITIES
WHEN PLAYERS
ARE READY



CONTINUE TO COLLABORATE WITH OTHER CLUBS



POTENTIAL
MIXED TEAM
GAMES TO KEEP
HOCKEY
CHALLENGING
AND FUN



INCREASE VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION



CODE OF CONDUCT (PARENT AND MEMBERS)



IMPROVING
COMMUNICATION –
PARENT MEETINGS,
CLUB NEWSLETTER, APP



Southern Stars Ice Hockey Club Members' Handbook 2020



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# MEMBERS HANDBOOK

Will be available via team app



# Club Culture



Do's and Don'ts

#### **CONTACTS**

1<sup>st</sup>
point of contact

2nd
point
of contact

Team Manager or Team Coach

Junior Co-ordinator: Colleen Spoljarevic juniorcoordinator@starsicehockey.com.au or

Coaching Director: Ivan Rapchuk headcoach@starsicehockey.com.au



Q. Will we still be wearing white socks with white jerseys?

A. Yes white socks with white jerseys and black socks with black jerseys

Q. When is the next scorer's course?

A. Scorers are now paid positions so there is less requirement on parents to learn scoring unless they would like to do the paid role. However parents are still needed to score at Gold Coast Games ACTION: Secretary will investigate when next training is planned

Q. How long does the season go for?

A. For juniors the season is virtually all year round so as not to lose ice slots. The season begins on 1 March. Interclub games and training generally occur until October. Training then continues through to Christmas with a break in January (some training for Melt the Ice Tournament teams). Training recommences in February for a month of pre-season training.

Q. When are games held?

A. Junior games are generally held between 3.30-6pm on Sunday afternoon's at Acacia Ridge and Boondall. Occasional games will also be scheduled on weekends at Gold Coast Bundall however the number of these will be less than previous years



Q. Is the Southern Stars website the primary location we now go to for all stars dates

A. Yes all relevant dates for the Stars Club and also wider hockey community dates will be added to the Southern Stars Events Calendar on the Southern Stars website. However all league games will be added to the age/division specific calendars on the website and the in the team app. (The team app does not include the whole of club calendar – only team specific games/events)

Q. How do you access the Southern Stars Ice Hockey Junior Facebook private group?

A. This page is invitation only. Junior Co-ordinator will send invitations to all new members. If you don't already have access please contact the Junior Co-ordinator to request an invitation

Q. Where can we get the members handbook from?

A. The 2020 Members Handbook will be uploaded to the team app shortly

Q. Is the Team App only for juniors?

A. Team App is mandatory for all junior teams. For senior teams it is currently optional

Q. Can I post pictures of team mates on Social Media?

A. It is advisable to request permission before posting pictures of other players on social media



Q. Are players from other clubs allowed to train with Stars and vice versa?

A. Yes all clubs have an open door policy however it is up to each club to prioritise availability for their players first and decide whether there is room for other players to train. Please contact the Junior Coordinator of the other club, and encourage parents from other Clubs to contact ours, in advance of attending other club's training. The price charged by each club is the responsibility of each individual club.

Q. What information will be available in the Stars Website Events Calendar?

A. The Stars Events Calendar on the Souther Stars Official Website will include as many key dates/events as possible such tournament dates, tournament EOI deadlines, awards dinners, come and try, car boot sale, BUIHL finals, Senior In-house finals, IHQ Training (Coaches, Officials, Scorers) etc

Q. When will we know about State team tryouts, National Tournament dates & locations?

A. Please follow IHQ Facebook for all IHQ related information. Once announced, dates will be included in Stars Website Events Calendar

Q. What's the best way to address an issue with the club?

A. Please observe the 24 hour cooling down period before addressing any issues. First point of contact should be your team manager or coach. If needed next point of contact is Junior-Co-ordinator or Coaching Director. After that the committee is available to address any issues.



Q. Will training times always be the same on Sunday mornings?

A. No. Training time will be as usual for March however as Boondall has an extra time slot shortly for early Sunday morning for State team training, some changes to Sunday morning training times will likely occur. There may also be some changes to training to allow full ice training for some age groups.

Q. Where can I find the IHA Social Media Policy?

A. All IHA Policies can be found here: <a href="http://www.iha.org.au/iha-policies/">http://www.iha.org.au/iha-policies/</a>

A. When will the calendar be fully populated with information?

Q. The stars website calendar and team app calendar will continue to be populated with key dates as we get them over the next few weeks and throughout the year. We are only just starting so it will take some time to get everything relevant added

A. How do we add our children to their team in the team app?

Q. Players will be added by Katey and team managers shortly



Q. How do I register on esportdesk?

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- Go to Southern Stars esportdesk:
   <a href="http://www.esportsdesk.com/leagues/pick\_league.cfm?clientID=6402&leagueID=0">http://www.esportsdesk.com/leagues/pick\_league.cfm?clientID=6402&leagueID=0</a>
- Under "Register Now" select "Sign in" button (existing members) or "sign up" button (new members)
- Select "Register Now" button along the top of the esportsdesk home page
- Under Registrations heading, select the blue "Register Now" button next to QJIHL to register juniors for the junior season
- Scroll down and under Select Registrants heading, tick the boxes against the junior names you wish to register
- Scroll down to the bottom of the page and select the blue "Proceed to Next Step" button
- Scroll down and complete all relevant information (country of birth, country of citizenships, tick boxes to
  accept code of conduct/terms and conditions, select age category etc) then select "continue" button (bottom
  right of page)
- Check your shopping cart and select green "checkout" button (bottom right of page)
- Proceed with payment instructions to complete registration
- You will receive a notification email confirming your registration and payment.

