



# Dayton Bomber Youth Hockey League Spring 2007

Again this year, our spring hockey program will be a continuous play style, allowing for skill development and exposure to the game for players at all skill levels. The continuous play format will be for the mite through midget age groupings. We will also be offering again for spring the IP/Mini-mite program.

The spring season will run mid-March through the beginning of May. All games and practices will be at the Kettering Recreation Center.

### ***The Instructional Program (IP)***

The Instructional Program is for skaters who are new to the sport of ice hockey. Skating fundamentals will be the primary focus. Stick handling and other skills will also be introduced as the skating skills develop. The tentative dates will be from mid-March through to early May and consist of 14 practices. This is typically for players that are 8 & under, though 7 & 8-year-old children with some skating experience may prefer the continuous play hockey.

### ***Continuous Play Hockey***

3 on 3 hockey develops stamina, ice awareness, skating, and stick handling skills while at the same time maintains offensive and defensive concepts. This will give players a whole new experience with the game of hockey. This format is most typically referred to as pond hockey and allows players to get more ice time, more contact with the puck, more pure passing and shooting. Instead of teams, players and coaches are formed into groupings called "pods". A pod will consist of up to 30 players and two Head coaches within each age division. The emphasis will be on fun, friendship and skill development (**NO CHECKING**). This will be open to players from the mite to midget level and will consist of 14 ice times.

### ***Coaches***

Head Coaches will split the pod into two equal groups allowing them to form different teams each time for a different playing experience. Please note that all coaches are required to be certified according to USA Hockey regulations. We are planning one pod per age division and will need at least two volunteer coaches per age division -- **NO COACHES = NO POD**. Please contact Ken McCain at [kmccain@mindspring.com](mailto:kmccain@mindspring.com), if you are interested in coaching one of the pods.

### ***Spring Fees:***

Instructional Program: \$150\*

Mites, Squirts & Pee Wee: \$175\* (includes 14 ice times)

Bantam, Midget: \$200\* (includes 14 ice times)

\*Any players that did not register with USA Hockey for the 2006-2007 Fall season will be required to register with USA Hockey through their online registration program which requires an additional \$35.00 fee. Proof of registration will be required from any/all players that did not skate with DBYHL for the 2006-2007 Fall season prior to taking the ice for the spring session.

Each player in the continuous play hockey will receive one practice jersey.

### ***Dates:***

2/11/07 – **Registration deadline.**

3/12/07 – Spring Session Begins

5/4/07 – Spring Session Ends