



NEWMARKET HURRICANES

JR. 'A' HOCKEY CLUB



Introduction Letter

Date: February 1, 2018

Subject: Newmarket Hurricanes Jr. A Prospects Development & Assessment Combine

From: Eric Cella, Director of Hockey Operation & General Manager

To all Prospects;

We would like to formally invite you to the 2018 Prospects Assessment Combine for all players eligible to play Junior Hockey during the 2018-19 hockey season.

We are excited about our format because it is designed to provide a **Development Opportunity** at every stage of the Assessment. It is more than a week-end of scrimmages. Our Combine provides up to **10 Hours of On-Ice** Development for each participant. It is a multi-staged try-out process that includes up to;

- (a) **Skills Assessment** – Specific clinics for Goaltenders, Defense and Forwards.
- (b) **Team Practices** – All players will be placed on a team with practices run by the Newmarket Hurricanes Coaching Staff.
- (c) **Games** – All teams will play a series of games that will be coached by Junior Level Coaches.
- (d) **Top Prospects Showcase Game** – The Top 40 Prospects will play in a Top Prospects Showcase Game. Newmarket Hurricanes Coaches, Jim Wells Jr. will Coach one team and Darcy Roy will Coach the other.

All Games will be Video Recorded for post Combine review and verification of assessment

The Assessment Process Starts April 18th and ends with the Top Prospects Game May 8th.

The Process is designed to allow every player multiple opportunities to display their skill, teamwork, coachability, etc. It also allows for every player to establish a relationship with the actual Coaching Staff as well as the Support Staff of the Newmarket Hurricanes.

For a full list of coaches/scouts and development staff please refer to the Newmarket Hurricanes website.

ALL players will compete for a 1 of 23 roster spots available. For those who are not offered a roster spot they have the opportunity to be awarded 1 of 12 Affiliate Player "AP" spots. Also, 5 "Underage" AP Spots are available.

Up to 40 Roster and/or "AP" spots may be awarded as a result of the Assessment Combine.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me directly. We look forward to seeing you at the Assessment Combine.

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