



# Hyland Hockey News

## Message from Board President

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Hello everyone,

We hope that everyone is enjoying their summer with a little hockey sprinkled in here and there. We're busy getting ready for the new season at HSHA with a new website coming that we hope will be even better for communicating what's going on and further enhance the scheduling features.

We enter the 2008-2009 season with Brian entering his second season as Hockey Director. With a full year behind him we are very pleased with his preparation for the new season to include coaching assignments.

We're also excited to have Jamie O'Leary and Marcus Baxter on board to help us build a stronger DNHL and 8U program while Brian puts more time into our CCYHL teams. We are additionally excited about the expanded AAA program to now include Major, Minor and Bantam (tournament) teams.

Personally, it will be my last year as an official member of the HSHA. The culmination of a 12-year stint that started back in 1997. Our family has been a member of the HSHA since 1995 and it's been a great run in which we have established some lifelong friendships that will extend far beyond hockey. It's interesting that as I leave, my older son Mike is starting to coach the game to include working at Total Hockey. I want to thank everyone who supported me and others at HSHA over these 12-years and I am looking forward to a great final season with everyone at HSHA.

Go Jaguars!

Scott Sheehan, BOD President

### **New Website**

We are very pleased to announce that Hyland Hills website has moved to **[hhha.pucksystems.com](http://hhha.pucksystems.com)**.

Please check our new website for all future communications.

## Sean Student Leadership Award



This is a very proud moment for Hyland, the Outlaws and the Brodie family. Kyle Brodie is the Sean Student Leadership Award recipient for the 2007-2008 season. The Colorado Amateur Hockey Association and the Sean Student Leadership Award committee reviewed many nominations from coaches, directors and association presidents. It was the wonderful letter from Coach Doug Smail that captured the eye of the committee. Kyle was the caption for the Colorado Outlaws AAA Midget Major team for the 2007-2008 season. This award is presented annually to a Colorado youth hockey player who show leadership, dedication and efforts true to the high ideas set forth by Sean Student. Coach Smail's letter has

many examples of Kyle's leadership qualities and below we will share a few excerpts from his letter. Congratulations to Kyle and thanks to Coach Smail for sharing his letter.

### ***Examples of Leadership by Kyle Brodie***

"Leadership requires certain character qualities. Kyle sets a standard of leadership because he chooses to compete at the highest levels of competition. He will not play down a level to make himself look good or be a big fish in a small pond. He stretches himself to play at the most competitive levels of competition, such as the AAA level of competition.

Kyle always will show dedication to his team mates. He will sacrifice personal success for the success of his team mates. He knows that as a defenseman he traditionally may not be in the scoring limelight. He has been willing to sacrifice his scoring potential to look after his team mates and the teams success. Consequently, in sacrificing that portion to his team mates, he ended up being presented with opportunities to be offensive but only took them as presented, not selfishly, and ended up being one of our top scorers anyway.

At no time have I ever witnessed Kyle Brodie disrespect his environment or those in authority over him. He was always respectful of coaches, referees, parents, including opposition and his own team mates.

Kyle Brodie typified the quiet qualities of leadership. On the ice, in the locker room and in public, he displayed them externally and within the manner needed to direct fellow players and younger athletes. He understands the need of leadership and the desperate need for quality leaders. He grew to understand tough leadership and encouraging leadership. These examples were evident to all around the Colorado Outlaw hockey team.



As a member of our organization Kyle consistently would be available to help out on younger teams in practices and with on ice instruction. He would always be looking for ways to help the younger teams. He was having fun with the little players and is teasing, joking and playing with them on a regular basis...and they look up to him as a leader and role model. When it comes to on ice support, he does not have to be solicited to help...he volunteers! This is leadership at its core...willing to be an example and making oneself available as a mentor and teacher of younger players. Kyle does this because he loves the kids as it is a part of who he is. It is an example that is not forced, nor does a coach have to force him to do any of this type of activity. Kyle does it because it is ingrained in his character."

## News from the 8U

Open registration is currently going on and we hope to bring in 60+ new skaters into Hyland this summer. Coaches are also being selected at this time and they will be posted up on the web soon. Hyland plans to have 3 D, 3 C, 4 B and 4 A pool teams this coming year.



Please e-mail Robert Cuscaden, 8U Director at [rcuscaden@yahoo.com](mailto:rcuscaden@yahoo.com) for additional questions or comments.



## DNHL Updates

DNHL Informational Meetings

Thursday September 4, 2008 - Hyland Party Rooms

Squirt & Pee Wee - 6pm - 7pm

Bantam & Midget - 7:15pm - 8:15pm

At this time you will be able to pay fees, register for USA Hockey and give information for coaches to reach you after evaluations. We will also discuss how the evaluations will run, tournaments, introductions of coaches, introduction of Jamie O'Leary & Marcus Baxter and what they will be doing with the DNHL. On Saturday September 6, 2008 you will still need to check in 1 hour before evaluations to pick up your evaluation jerseys.

Thank you and we hope to see everyone there.

The DNHL Committee

## Managers Corner

In an effort, to better assist coaches throughout the year and ensure better team unity all managers and treasurers at all levels will be asked to complete an on-line application. This process will be beneficial to the entire association by providing a resource tool to enable the association to effectively make the best possible decision for placement of team managers and treasurers.



These positions are very important to a team and therefore the association has an obligation to its members to ensure that the best candidates are placed on each team and the managers will have a manual to better assist them. The manual is expected to be completed prior to the start of the season.

For more information contact Kristy Matthias, Director of Managers at [kristymattias@yahoo.com](mailto:kristymattias@yahoo.com)

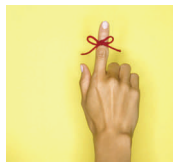
## How to be the Best Player and Not Make a Team

By: Colorado Avalanche Cares

There are so many different things that coaches look for in building a team. Player skill is just one thing and sometimes not even the most important. Coaches evaluate players on a variety of other criteria including:

- Team Skills - Does the player grasp the way teams work together to win games?
- Relative Physical Development - Is the player physically larger or smaller than his teammates?
- Leadership - In tough game situations, could the player step up as a role model for teammates?
- Listening - Does the player pay attention and understand things quickly?
- Personality - Does the player's personality fit with the other players selected?
- Mentoring Ability - How much can the player positively impact others on the team?
- Positional Knowledge - How much does the player know about the playing the variety of situations faced in regular game?
- Unselfishness - Does the player make plays for the benefit of the team or build individual stats?
- Level of Effort - How hard does a player work during tryouts?
- Familiarity - Does the coach have experience working with the player?
- Family Involvement - Does the coach have good or bad experience working with a player's family?
- Team Needs - How many players are needed for each position? Though last on the list, team needs are often the most important. So even though a player may be a great positional player, the chances of making a team are greatly diminished if the coach prefers another player for that limited need.

While a tryout may look like a skills contest, coaches can observe these factors by the way the skills are carried out. Most coaches believe that skill deficits are much easier to correct than the issues listed above. Coaches will gamble with lesser skilled players that present the best overall package. Good coaches can develop skilled players. Only the players themselves (with the help of their parents) can make skilled teammates. Special thanks to Sports Esteem and Jeff Farris for the above article.



### Reminder Hyland Hills Jr. Hockey 8th Annual Try-Out Pre Camp

**Aug. 4-8 or Aug. 11-15, 2007**

Cost is \$125 per week and is open to all ages.

E-mail Brian Sutton for more information at [suttsy12@comcast.net](mailto:suttsy12@comcast.net)

Coaching Staff will be:

**Brian Sutton, Boyd Sutton, Jamie O'Leary, Marcus Baxter, Doug Smail, Rich Pijanowski, Lance Jaeger**

## Hyland Hills Hockey Association Try-Outs

I want to thank everyone that has made suggestions on how to help alleviate some of the try-out stress. We all know that try-outs are the most stressful time for parents, players and coaches. This year we have read through all the suggestions from the membership and came up with a better way to help move players and parents through the try-out process with minimal stress. We can never get rid of the stress that is involved in a try-out process but we can help in the communication process. The new process will go up on the web site this month. Please read over the process as it has changed a little from the previous years.

I would also like all of you to support the coaches during this time because it is very stressful for them and their families. HHA coaches work long and stressful hours to make sure that players are placed on the right teams. Try-out sessions do not end for coaches once the players are off the ice. A coach might stay for hours going over the list to make sure he is making the correct decision and stressing over what kids he should pick next session. So please give the coaches at HHA your support.

Thank you,

Brian Sutton, Executive Hockey Director

## 2008 - 2009 Coaches CCYHL Teams and 8U D Pool Teams

It is with great pleasure that I introduce the coaches for the 2008-2009 season. It has been a long process, but I wanted to make sure that we had the right coaches in the right spots. I have set high standards for the coaches this year that is why I have and are still making the selection for couple coaching spots. Next, month the newsletter will begin to feature a Coach of the month enabling the members to get to know the Coaching staff better.

Major AAA	Doug Smail	PeeWee AA	Brian Sutton
Minor AAA	Marcus Baxter	PeeWee A	Hunter Lavigne
Major AA	Mike Driscoll	PeeWee B1	Mark Wildrick
Major A	Wayne Palinkxy	PeeWee B2	Mic Provaska
Minor AA	Rich Pijanowski	Squirt A	Lance Jaeger
Minor A1	Jeremy Goodwin	Squirt B	Bryan McClure
Minor A2	Open	Squirt C1	Open
Bantam AAA Tournament Team	O'Leary	Squirt C2	Open
Bantam AA	Jamie O'Leary	D-Pool	Boyd Sutton
Bantam A	Justin Larson	D-Pool	Al Cummings
Bantam B1	Trevor Sneed	D-Pool	Mike Koutecky
Bantam B2	David Lisnik		

## Total Hockey Academy

Total Hockey Training Centers are the premier hockey training facilities in North America with over a dozen centers open or planning to open in Canada and the United States in the next year. Total Hockey Academy is the newest state of the art hockey specific training facility to open located in Westminster, CO. Total Hockey Academy's training sessions are known throughout North America as being the best way to learn and improve skating, shooting, puck-handling, vision and total ice hockey skills. Total Hockey Academy will improve a player's hockey vision, puck skills and first-step skating quickness. There is a direct relationship between the movement of the game and the design of the Total Hockey Training System. There are no wasted movements. Players participate in challenging progressive drills that force them to simultaneously move their feet while handling a puck and working on their vision skills. Total Hockey Academy's training sessions will include the brand new MyTotalHockey™ performance tracking system that allows players to track their performance and progress via the internet after their completed training sessions.

Total Hockey Academy has enjoyed working closely with Brian Sutton and the Outlaws summer program over the last couple months from the U8's all the way up to the midgets. Total Hockey Academy has also enjoyed working closely with Doug Smail and his Camp of No Forgiveness. Total Hockey Academy offers several different types of hockey specific skill training and camps from individual flex pass training to team training for U8's all the way up to the Pro's. The website has all the information on training and costs and you can find Total Hockey Academy on the web at [www.totalhockeyacademy.com](http://www.totalhockeyacademy.com).



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## **FBS Hockey Founder Kyle Diehl-Sutton Joins the HHA Jaguars & Outlaws**

We are excited to announce that Kyle Diehl-Sutton, founder of Four By Six Hockey, will be joining the Hyland Hills Hockey Association and the Colorado Outlaws as the full time goaltending instructor. Kyle brings years of experience and knowledge of the game that is not offered anywhere else in Colorado.

Over the past few months, Kyle and HHA/Outlaws director Brian Sutton have been hard at work to revitalize and revolutionize a nearly non-existent goaltending program. The summer Outlaw Goaltending Clinic, which was a huge success, gave Kyle his first opportunity to display some of the assets he will be bringing to us in the upcoming season. For those that couldn't attend the camp, we have no doubt that you will find his experience and coaching presence extremely beneficial.

With his new age and high energy coaching style, Kyle has proven to offer incredible camps as well as superior personal instruction that we feel HHA goaltenders and coaches will look forward to, and utilize on a consistent basis throughout the years.

### **About Kyle Diehl-Sutton**

Kyle has played and trained at the highest levels that hockey has to offer and knows not only what it takes to make it to these levels, but what is necessary to be successful at them. This experience of the game, years of coaching, and a background in adolescent psychology gives him a very unique and positive coaching philosophy. Kyle has shown to work with positive reinforcement on both the physical and the mental aspects of the game. He truly takes pride in training kids and always strives to offer young goaltenders the best experience both on and off the ice.

In addition to working with your goaltender at practice and at the weekly goaltender clinics, Kyle offers private instruction as well as seasonal camps. To further make these camps more available to HHA members, the HHA board and director Brian Sutton have arranged discounted pricing for HHA goaltenders. For more information on Kyle and Four By Six Hockey, please visit the website at [www.FBSHockey.com](http://www.FBSHockey.com).

**Upcoming Goalie Camp for Elite, Intermediate, and 8 Under week of  
Aug. 4th to Aug. 8th for more information go to [FBSHockey.com](http://FBSHockey.com)**

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## Want To Get Involved?

The Hyland Hills Hockey Association is seeking to identify people who would like to become more involved with the association and its many volunteer committees.

- Try-out Committee
- Sponsorship Committee
- Equipment/Apparel Committee
- Suggestion/Grievance Committee
- Discipline Committee

If you are interested in volunteering some time and effort for the love of the sport and the players, please e-mail Shawna Sablich, [rssabb@aol.com](mailto:rssabb@aol.com).

## BOD Meetings and Updates



Upcoming BOD meeting is scheduled for August 11th. BOD meetings will be held the second Monday of every month starting at 6:00 pm in the party room at IPAC. All

association members are invited and welcome to attend.

For more information contact Joanne Schmidt at [joannesch@comcast.net](mailto:joannesch@comcast.net).

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## Hockey Office



This upcoming week we will be moving the hockey office to the same offices with Brian Sutton (the old coaches room).

The old hockey office will then turn into the coaches/video room. Since there is a code to get into the new offices, when either Dianne or Colleen are there they will have the door propped open. If the door is locked then they are not in the office at that time.

**The payment box will remain in it's current location.**

### **Quote of the Month**

In order to excel, you must be completely dedicated to your chosen sport. You must also be prepared to work hard and be willing to accept constructive criticism. Without a total 100 percent dedication, you won't be able to do this.

Willie Mayes

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