



2018-2019 RECRUITING GUIDE





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is with great excitement that I have returned to be a part of the Golden Jr. Rockets organization.

After more than thirty years in Golden, deeply embedded in both the business and hockey

communities, I am honoured to accept this leadership role, and know that I do not take it lightly.

As President, I will not only represent the Rockets, but will also act as an ambassador to the fans, financial contributors, advertisers, players, parents, the many volunteers and the beautiful community of Golden and its surrounding areas. As a member of the Board of the Rockets, I will do my very best to represent you and direct my energies toward producing a successful organization that we can all be proud of, both on and off the ice.

To those of you considering sending your sons and daughters to be a part of our team; we have the people, the volunteers and the paid professionals who will work tirelessly to train each player, both individually and

as a team. Hockey, health, education and life skills are the foundations of our program and we are united as an organization to work with each and every player to develop and prepare them for their future.

Thank you in advance for considering the Golden Jr. Rockets and the vibrant community and area which makes Golden such an amazing place to live and to play the game.

Sincerely,

Dan Ringheim

Lifelong Hockey Parent & Business Owner
President, Golden Jr. Rockets Society





OUR PROGRAM

The Golden Junior Rockets prides ourselves on offering players a first-class Junior experience. Our organization provides a wide range of resources that we believe go above and beyond other Junior B programs. Playing junior in Golden is an experience unlike any other in the KIJHL.

Our Coaches, Organization and Community place a premium on character, commitment, and accountability, while we all work towards getting better each and every day.

The first-class benefits and development opportunities of being a Rocket:

- » **PROFESSIONAL COACHING** and leadership from an experienced and dedicated full time staff.
- » **ICE TIME** Minimum four-practice ice times per week, including one morning “skill” session.
- » **SCHEDULE** Set practice ice times, dryland, and community responsibilities, which will help our athletes organize their study and or work schedule.
- » **GOALIE CONSULTANT** Dave Marcoux, BPE M.Sc, David Marcoux’s School of Goaltending, Calgary Flames, Carolina Hurricanes, NHL.
- » **STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH** Tim Fedow in conjunction with Doug Crashly, Crash Conditioning, which includes season-long access to a gym, pool, and fitness centre. Weight training, boxing, yoga, spin, martial arts & other dry-land training activities will be a part of our regiment.
- » **SUPPORT STAFF** Full time equipment manager and Certified Trainer.
- » **VIDEO** Stevea Video Program, to review & assist players in development and hockey instruction. Creating highlight reel packages for scouts and coaches.
- » **STATSGUY™** Reports - Advanced stats, give away / take away, blocked shots, FO%, + more: provides quantifiable feedback to players.
- » **DRESSING ROOM** custom dressing room with individual stalls.
- » **LICENSED EQUIPMENT** helmet, visor, gloves, pants, bag & team apparel.

Previous Players Say: “My time spent playing for the Golden Rockets was a big positive in my hockey career. The Rockets and the KIJHL gave me that extra year to mature as a person and gain hockey experience at a junior level before moving on to Jr A. Playing for the Rockets gave me a lot more confidence in my game and I learned how to become a leader on and off the ice. The town of Golden is a beautiful place to live with great billet families and fan support.” ~ **Terix Fischer-Kobes - Portage College Voyageurs, ACAC**



OUR PROGRAM



- » **DEVELOPMENT** The KIJHL has a proven track record for development and is a heavily recruited league from higher levels. Golden is closest in proximity to many Junior teams located in Alberta, the first stop for scouts traveling from Alberta to BC.
- » **PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL ADVISING SERVICES** through College of the Rockies, BC, and Canada and Golden Secondary School.
- » **NUTRITION & SUPPLIES** provided for all games, Including snacks, fruit, Gatorade, tape, wax, laces.
- » **STICK DEAL** Players are offered two replacement composite sticks during the course of the season.
- » **ROAD TRIPS** Paid meals and hotel accommodations while Traveling with the Rockets on the road.
- » **EMPLOYMENT** Part time job opportunities are available.
- » **SCHOLARSHIP** Two \$500 Education scholarship opportunities based on academic achievement.
- » **TEAM BUILDING & LIFE EXPERIENCES** Parade Day, Season Kick-off Golf Tournament, Camping, and other events.
- » **COMMUNITY** Players will help at youth practices and participate in many different community events.
- » **HOME ICE** The Golden & District Centennial arena affectionately referred to as the "Plywood Palace" Players play in front of the league's loudest and proudest fan base.
- » **ROOM and BOARD** with a welcoming billet family vetted by the team (fees apply).
- » **MEDIA** In depth local newspaper, radio, social media and live Internet streaming of games with Rockets play-by-play host Lukas Pfister.

Previous Players Say: "Coach Jeremy has had a great impact on my playing career. Having played for him my last two years of midget, Jeremy was very influential on my development and preparation for junior hockey. Jeremy has a great sense of what it takes to run a team in terms of identifying player's strengths both on and off the ice and placing them in positions that will help not only the team succeed but for the player to grow as well.

~ **Nicholas Sandy** - Iowa State University, ACHA



COACH'S MESSAGE

Hello Players & Parents,

I am thrilled to take on the responsibilities of coaching and managing the Rockets. Entering my twentieth year of coaching I have never been more excited for an upcoming season. Paying my dues at the elite levels (Junior A, B, Midget AAA, AA) has me looking forward to taking advantage of this opportunity where my time and energy is solely dedicated to the duties of Head Coach and GM. The organization and I have an aligned vision of running our team as one that emphasizes player development.

We plan on emulating a Junior A model. I firmly believe that if we focus on development, winning will be the product of those efforts.

Our team will be selected based on two criteria: Character and Ability. I believe a balanced team is a difficult team to defend against. We are not looking for 23 identical players, nor are we looking for the 23 most skilled players. We are looking for the right players. The Rockets will be skilled, intelligent, disciplined, and always hard to play against.

We will play with pace and purpose. As well with the cooperation of our veteran leadership group, we will create an environment where we all have fun and enjoy coming to the rink each day.

Within this document you will read about the many opportunities being a Rocket provides, as well as our Spring camp dates and registration information. I look forward to hearing from you and being a part of your ongoing development.



Jeremy Blumes
Golden Rockets Head Coach & GM

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 @Coach_Blumes



Coaches' Bio: Jeremy Blumes B.A., B.Ed.

Jeremy Blumes has been involved in the game of hockey within many different capacities: player, coach, scout, web developer, consultant, as well as Commissioner of the Calgary Summer Hockey League. Hockey is one of Jeremy's greatest passions.

Jeremy is proud of the many successful seasons and championships he has been a part of, along with being recognized as the Calgary Royals Coach of the Year in 2013 and the 2014 Hockey Calgary Coach of the Year award the following season. However, for Jeremy the most rewarding element of coaching is being a part of a young persons development as a citizen and player.

YOUR SUPPORT CREW

Our players will be supported by a group of fantastic professionals, schools, and extracurricular opportunities to make you feel right at home.

The schools will be working with the team to ensure student athletes are meeting their educational goals.



Team Trainer
Marko Shehovac



Team Physician
Dr. Nick Tan



Team Optometrist
Dr. Rebecca
Kolbensen



Team Dentist
Dr. Shane Van
Biezen



Golden Secondary School is a beautiful school building that houses networked classrooms and science labs, a gathering area called the Forum, as well as a library that reflects 21st century learning. We have running and walking trails surrounding our school, as well as a courtyard with picnic tables for outside studying, eating and socializing. <https://www.sd6.bc.ca/school/gss>

The College of the Rockies Golden Campus is a satellite campus to the central campus in Cranbrook. It is physically located in Golden BC and delivers in excess of 150,000 hours of training annually to the residents, businesses and visitors to the Golden Area. This represents full-time, part-time and continuing education courses. <http://www.cotr.bc.ca/golden/>



**COLLEGE OF
THE ROCKIES**

David Marcoux served as goaltending coach for the Carolina Hurricanes (2014 - 2017) and with the Calgary Flames (2003 - 2009) helping Flames goaltender Miikka Kiprusoff become a Vezina Trophy and Williams Jennings Trophy winner, as well as a Hart Trophy finalist. With over 25 years of experience working with goaltenders at all levels of hockey Dave's specialized goalie instruction gives goaltenders the technical and mental training needed to excel at all levels. <http://www2.dmsg.ca/>



Goaltending Coach
Dave Marcoux

Scouting Staff:

Pat Price - Okanagan & West Kootenays
Nick Mish - North Eastern / Mid America
Terix Fischer-Kobes - Lakeland
Brendan Harper - Southern Alberta
Sean Gilbert - Airdrie, Alberta

Pat Price is the new Head Scout of recruiting for the Okanagan & West Kootenay regions of BC. Based out of Kelowna BC, Pat brings 12 years of NHL experience to the Rockets along with playing and coaching in the K.I.J.H.L.. Pat was inducted into the BC Hockey Hall of Fame 2014.

Support:

Colour Commentator - Tom Stanton
Play-by-play Announcer - Lukas Pfister
PA Announcer - Barney
Organ Player - Dave Stevens
Equipment - Steven Gillen

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Head Scout
Pat Price



WHY GOLDEN?

Mayor's Message

As the Mayor of the Town of Golden and on behalf its elected council and members of staff, I invite you to get to know us.

Golden is a wonderful place to live; not only do our children want to stay here to work and raise their families, people come for a visit and stay for a lifetime. The Golden area has a population of over 8,000, and is located on the Trans Canada Highway in south eastern British Columbia. We have a diverse economy that includes forestry, railway, tourism and more. If you love the outdoors and amazing recreational opportunities, Golden cannot be beat. We also have an amazing cultural scene.

We may be a small community, but our Arena is a busy hub for our residents. Owned by the community through the Columbia Shuswap Regional District and operated by the Town of Golden, the facility is home to many not-for-profit recreation groups and also hosts many Town of Golden public programs.

It takes a great effort from our dedicated community volunteers to ensure the success of the many groups that use this facility and we are thankful for all that they do. Hockey clubs like the Rockets are a great contributor to helping kids develop a love of sports that they can take with them into adulthood, ensuring that the spirit of the game will endure in our community.

Go Rockets Go!

Ron Oszust
Mayor, Town of Golden

Previous Players Say: "Jeremy Blumes is a positive influence on young players. He held our team accountable on and off the ice. Yet at the same time, he was very approachable. I feel because of this I improved as a player under his leadership."
~ Ben Sanderson 2000, Okotoks Oilers AJHL, NCAA Colorado College

ROCKETS ALUMNI

- » **Paul Armstrong**, Prince George Cougars, WHL
- » **Zachary Baba**, Nipiwán MJHL
- » **Hans Benson**, Nipiwán, MJHL
- » **Trevor Bose**, Lebrét Eagles, SJHL
- » **Trent Brandvold**, Quesnel Millionaires, BCJHL
- » **Chad Cammock**, Tri-City Americans, WHL
- » **Darcie Cassie**, Senior AAA
- » **Travis Cech**, Humboldt Bruins, SJHL
- » **Rohn Christenson**, Kimberley Dynamiters, RMJHL
- » **Brandon Cox**, Langley BCJHL
- » **Jeremy Chadsey**, Quesnel, BCJHL
- » **Lee Dionne**, Prince George Spruce Kings, RMJHL
- » **Jora Dhami**, Douglas College, BCIT
- » **Brad Essex**, Merritt Centennials, BCJHL, Peoria ECHL
- » **Mike Fischl**, Cranbrook Colts, Mount Royal College, ACAC
- » **Wade Fournier**, Williams Lake Mustangs, RMJHL, Louisiana East Coast League
- » **Ryan Ferguson**, Kimberley Dynamiters, RMJHL
- » **Alex Greenlay**, Williams Lake BCJHL, Trail Smoke Eaters BCJHL
- » **Mike Gratton**, Andover, Massachusetts, AHA
- » **Ryan Gillen**, Surrey Eagles BCJHL, Prince George Cougars WHL
- » **Jeff Hart**, University of Alaska, NCAA
- » **Trevor Hawrys**, Kimberley Dynamiters, RMJHL, SAIT
- » **Travis Herlein**, Selkirk College, BCIT
- » **Jamie Holden**, Merritt Centennials, BCJHL
- » **Darren Ibbottson**, Cranbrook Colts RMJHL
- » **Jesse Kallechy**, Edmonton Oil Barons, AJHL
- » **Brad Kennedy**, Chicago Wolves, ECHL
- » **Brant Kersey**, Estevan Bruins, SJHL
- » **Kevin Kotyluk**, Naniamo Clippers BCJHL, Univ of Massachusetts, NCAA
- » **Pierre Landry**, Bow Valley, AJHL
- » **Kevin Lapp**, Creston RMJHL, Kelowna Rockets, WHL
- » **Mike Lalonde**, Prince George Cougars BCJHL, Michigan State University, NCAA
- » **Pat Martel**, Senior A New Brunswick
- » **Jarrett Moon**, Cranbrook Colts RMJHL
- » **Marshal Macklin**, Langley Chiefs BCJHL
- » **Joshua MacDonald**, Williams Lake BCJHL
- » **Chris Morseth**, Creston Thunder RMJHL
- » **Ryan Minnabarriet**, Vernon Vipers, BCJHL
- » **Tyler Moore**, Brockville Braves, CJHL
- » **Jesse McLean**, Prince George Cougars, WHL
- » **Nic Noseworthy**, Dryden Ice Dogs, SIJHL
- » **Adam Nanson**, Kimberley Dynamiters, RMJHL
- » **Brian Ouellet**, Kimberley Dynamiters, RMJHL
- » **Spencer Pommells**, St Albert Steel, AJHL
- » **Chris Pont**, University of Alaska, NCAA, Fresno Falcons ECHL
- » **Brent Pockett**, Merritt Centennials BCJHL, Quesnel Millionaires BCJHL
- » **Jason Piepmann**, Kimberley RMJHL, Bellingham Ice Hawks BCJHL, Mount Royal College, ACAC
- » **Andy Pufal**, DEL
- » **Ryan Philpotts**, Quesnel Millionaires RMJHL
- » **Craig Roessell**, Mount Royal College, ACAC
- » **Matt Ringheim**, Estevan Bruins, SJHL
- » **Caleb Roy**, Vernon Vipers BCJHL
- » **Greg Saby**, Boise Idaho Steelheads, WCL
- » **Darryl Sanford**, Williams Lake Mustangs RMJHL, ECHL
- » **Rob Sandrock**, Seattle Thunderbirds, WHL
- » **Ryan Schnitzler**, DEL
- » **Craig Tressierra**, Quesnel Millionaires, BCJHL
- » **Charlie Thermainus**, Halifax, MHL
- » **Jade Triebwasser**, Canadian Forces St Jean RMC Quebec
- » **Tanner Watt**, Dryden Ice Dogs, SIJHL
- » **Spencer Wong**, Selkirk College, BCIT

Scholarships

- Chris Pont**: University of Alaska
- Mike Fischl**: US College / Mount Royal
- Sean Vickers**: BCAHA
- Doug Crashley**: BCAHA & Jim Magee Memorial
- Jeff Hart**: University of Alaska
- Kevin Kotyluk**: University of Massachusetts
- Mike Lalonde**: University of Michigan

The Golden Rockets wish to extend our heartfelt condolences and best wishes to the Humboldt Broncos Junior A team, families and community.



THE K.I.J.H.L



The Kootenay International Junior Hockey League is the premier development league at the Junior B level in Canada. Entering our 50th season, KIJHL teams have

successfully developed and prepared players to move on to Junior A and Major Junior hockey, as well as college and university programs at all levels in Canada and the United States.

Over 45 future National Hockey League players got their start in the KIJHL, including Shea Weber, Barret Jackman, Cody Franson, Chuck Kobasew, Adam Deadmarsh and Ray Ferraro. Countless others have earned scholarships after progressing to leagues like the WHL and BCHL, while many of those who finish their junior careers in the KIJHL are recruited by college teams in B.C., Alberta and the U.S.



Previous Players Say:

“Playing for Jeremy for part of 3 seasons - He was a great leader and always a teacher. He taught me how to be professional on and off the ice. He taught me how to play hockey the right way, how to win, and about the importance of respect and loyalty.”

~ **Brayden Beckley, Alberta Scout and Analytics Lead, Medicine Hat Tigers, WHL**

“I have played for Jeremy for two years now and he has been at the rink before me every ice time.” ~ **Reid Anderson, Yorkton Terriers, SJHL**

“Jeremy has the best interest of his players in mind and wants to move as many of them on to the next level as possible. His consistent winning record as a coach speaks for itself, as he always seems to get the most out of his players. Very knowledgeable not only about the game and systems, but about team dynamics and how to win!” ~ **Everett Putz - Calgary Mustangs, AJHL**



ROCKETS MUSTANGS SPRING COMBINE



The KIJHL's Golden Rockets and AJHL's Calgary Mustangs have partnered to hold a Spring Combine for players interested in pursuing junior hockey opportunities for the 2018/19 season and beyond.



The camp will be run by Rockets head coach Jeremy Blumes and Mustangs head coach Tyler Drader. All players will compete in four games and receive an exit meeting with team coaches. Goaltenders will receive an additional 75-minute evaluation session facilitated by Dave Marcoux.



DATE: May 25 - 27, 2018

AGES: Players born from 1998 to 2003

COST: \$175 for skaters and goaltenders



LOCATION: East Calgary Twin Arenas,
299 Erin Woods Drive SE, Calgary, AB

TO REGISTER:

Visit www.goldenrockets.com

Out of town guests are welcome to stay with our host hotel at a discounted rate. Contact the Reservation Department directly at 1.844.719.8777 and provide the group name "Golden Rockets" along with the dates of your stay.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Golden Rockets head coach Jeremy Blumes:



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Main camp registration will open June 1 from our website www.GoldenRockets.com.

Previous Players Say: "Coach Jeremy Blumes was instrumental in my development and helped me in midget to get to NCAA today. His coaching style rewarded hardworking players and created a positive platform for skill development and improvement. While his ability to find untapped potential in players will lead his teams and players to success. Playing in the KIJHL allowed me to make vast improvements to my game while having access to Junior A quality facilities and coaching. The KIJHL acted as stepping stone to the BCHL and NCAA." ~ Josh Teves, Princeton, All-ECAC