

Dear Membership and Coaches,

I am very honoured and excited to have the opportunity to be involved as the Coach Coordinator for this coming term, 2010/ 2011 season.

After analyzing and identifying our association's strengths and weaknesses, we have comprised a development plan which consists of aspirations, goals, initiatives and strategies that will lead us in the direction of success. This coming season, in addition to player development, a main priority of ours is the support and development of our coaches, from grass roots all the way up. Our Coach Mentorship program will also play an integral role in fostering the development and education of our players and coaches.

Coaches will attend and be certified for Specialty Clinics administered by BC Hockey (held in Delta); in addition to being certified for the appropriate level they are coaching. Many other resources and seminars will also be available (some of which will be mandatory).

This coming season, North Delta Minor Hockey has implemented a new system to allow us to move in the right direction of coaching excellence. ALL coaches, including support coaching staff at both the recreation and rep level will be required to attend an interview/ meeting with our coach selection committee. In addition, all team staff will have to complete a mandatory Criminal Record Check to ensure safety for all children and young adults.

I am very optimistic about the development initiatives and programs, and am looking forward to an excellent season ahead.

Together, supporting our coaches, and fostering on ice development, we can make a positive difference while promoting athletic excellence and grooming our communities up and coming stars of tomorrow.

I welcome any questions, comments, or concerns.

Yours in hockey,

Faisal Vallani
Coach Coordinator
North Delta Minor Hockey

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**Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success.**

-Henry Ford