

APPENDIX A

Alberta Junior Hockey League and Fort Saskatchewan Traders Overview

Alberta Junior Hockey League

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The Alberta Junior Hockey League was founded in 1963 with the intent to allow junior players the opportunity to play in Alberta. The franchises have relied upon the efforts of volunteers to keep the teams operational and to provide an opportunity for young hockey players to play Junior "A" hockey close to home in Alberta.

The Alberta Junior Hockey League is a developmental League in Canada for student-athletes striving to capitalize on their athletic and academic abilities. These athletes have the potential to play in for postsecondary institutes in the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

By 2016, the AJHL was comprised of 16 teams, divided into North and South Divisions. The below table shows an overview of communities, population, years in the AJHL, number of local players on the roster, attendance stats, ticket price and if they also have a Jr B or Jr C team.

Team – North Division	AJHL history	Local Players	Attendance 2015-16	Price of Ticket	Has Jr B Team	Has Jr C Team
Bonnyville Pontiacs	1991-92	1 (R)	843	\$10-\$14 \$220-\$299 (S)	No	No
Drayton Valley Thunder	1998-99	1+ 1 (R)	527	\$8-\$13 \$125-\$325 (S)	No	No
Fort Mac Oil Barons	1981-82	2 + 1 (R)	1,220	\$12-\$15 \$210-\$340 (S)	No	No
Grand Prairie Storm	1996-97	2+ 3 (R)	1,002	\$12-\$15 \$149-\$339 (S)	JDA Kings	No
Lloydminster Bobcats	1988-89 2005-06 – name changed from Blazers	4+ 3 (R)	1,222	\$8-\$15 \$115-\$275 (S)	Bandits	No
Sherwood Park Crusader	1978	5 + 2 (R)	559	\$8-\$15 \$115-\$309 (S)	Knights	Renegades
Spruce Grove Saints	1974-1978 2004-05- relocated from St Albert	1 + 1 (R)	754	\$8-\$13 \$175-\$300	Regals	No



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Whitecourt Wolverines	2012-13 2007 – relocated from Fort Sask to St Albert (Steel) 1976-2007 – Traders from Fort Saskatchewan	1 (R)	748	\$8-\$14 \$150-\$315	Folded Fort Sask Hawks	No
Team – South Division	AJHL history	Local Players	Attendance 2015-16	Price of Ticket	Has Jr B Team	Has Jr C Team
Brooks Bandits	1999	None	1,394	\$5-\$15 \$125-\$360 (S)	No	No
Calgary Canuck	1971-72	13 + 9 (R)	217	\$8-\$12 \$200 (S)	8 Jr B's in League	11 Jr C's in League
Calgary Mustangs	1972-78 – Crowsnest Pass teams – Devils, Panthers and Chinooks 1978-91 – Calgary Chinooks, Spurs and Royals Team folded 2010 – Calgary Mustangs	13	230	\$10-\$15 No info(S)	8 Jr B's in League	11 Jr C's in League
Camrose Kodiaks	1997	3 + 2 (R)	1,179	\$8-\$13 \$80-\$290 (S)	No	No
Canmore Eagles	1995 – Bow Valley Eagles 2001-02 – name change to Eagles	2 + 1 (R)	454	\$8-\$15 \$159-\$329 (S)	No	No



Team – South Division	AJHL history	Local Players	Attendance 2015-16	Price of Ticket	Has Jr B Team	Has Jr C Team
Drumheller Dragons	1971-72 – Falcons 1975-1976 – Team folded 1979-1983 – revived and folded again 2003-04 – Drumheller Dragons	None	564	\$8-\$13 \$198-\$330 (S)	No	No
Okotoks Oilers	2005-06- started as Oilers 2003-04 – relocated from Crowsnest Pass 1998-99 - Crowsnest Pass - Timberwolves	1 (R)	660	\$5-\$15 \$120-\$295 (S)	Bisons	No
Olds Grizzlies	1981-82 – relocated to Olds 1974-75 – Taber Golden Suns	1	525	\$6-\$13 \$150-\$330 (S)	No	No

R – Reserve player

S – Season ticket price

There is currently 1 player and 2 reserve players from Fort Saskatchewan playing in the AJHL.

Some of the benefits of having an AJHL in the community are:

- Promotes the Town or City and has a positive economic benefit
- Promotes local players on the team
- Spring board for local and Alberta players to launch a career in hockey or to play hockey in the NCAA league while getting a postsecondary education.
- Promotes a strong connection to the community with programs such as mentorship with minor hockey, reading and writing programs in school, assisting with other community events that benefit local not for profit groups.