



AAHA Player Development Staff

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John Riley – Director of Player Development *(Joined staff in 1992)*

- Scout – Philadelphia Flyers, NHL
- Scout/Eastern Player Personnel Manager – US National Team
- Former Assistant Coach – Princeton University
- Former Head Coach/Teacher – Brunswick School, CT
- Former Head Coach/Teacher – Kingswood-Oxford, CT
- Former Scout – Sioux Falls Stampede, USHL
- Graduate; Player; University of Massachusetts, Boston

John Dinorcia – Assistant Director of Player Development *(Joined staff in 1999)*

- Director of Hockey Operations – NJ Devils Youth
- Head Coach – NJ Devils U16
- Head Coach – NJ Devils Quebec PeeWee Team
- Former Atlantic District Coach-in-Chief
- Graduate; Villanova University

Steve Mackel – Assistant Director of Player Development *(Joined staff in 2001)*

- Head Coach – Malvern Prep School
- General Manager – Team Philadelphia, High School Showcase 2010
- Former Assistant Coach – Philadelphia Jr. Flyers
- Former Assistant Coach – Philadelphia Flyer Quebec PeeWee Team
- Graduate; Temple University

Jim Hunt – Atlantic District ADM Director *(Joined Staff in 1992)*

- Former Vice President Player Development
- Assistant Coach – NJ Hitmen, EJHL
- Assistant Coach – United States 2009 World Junior Team
- Scout – US National Team
- Head Coach – Fairfield University
- Graduate of St. Mary's College, MN

Professional Staff Coaches/Evaluators (out of district):

The Player Development Program goes to great lengths to attract the finest coaches/scouts available to work with our players. The following full-time hockey professionals graciously dedicate their time to help with the process. Below is an listing of the coaches who are part of our staff. The year following their name represents the year they joined our staff.

We are proud to have personnel from the following Professional and College Teams work with us:

- Philadelphia Flyers
- Princeton University
- Quinnipiac University
- Union College
- Brunswick School
- Connecticut College
- Gunnery School
- Kent School
- US National Team Development Program
- Vancouver Canucks

Chris Baudo (2010)

- Head Coach – Gunnery School (New England Prep)
- Graduate; letter winner – Hamilton College (NESCAC DIII)

Ben Barr (2010)

- Assistant Coach – Union College (ECAC Division 1)
- Former Assistant Coach – RPI (ECAC Division 1)
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner at RPI

Rick Bennett (2007)

- Associate Head Coach – Union College
- Former Associate Coach – Providence College
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner, Providence College (Hockey East)
- 1986 NHL Draft pick of Minnesota North Stars – Played in NHL, AHL, ECHL

Jon Bates (2010)

- Scout – Vancouver Canucks, NHL
- Graduate; Player Salisbury School
- Graduate; University of Vermont

Matt Dennehy (2007)

- Assistant Coach – NH Junior Monarchs (Tier III Jr. A National Champs)
- Former Associate Head Coach – Colby College
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner & Captain at St. Anselm, NCAA Division III

Ross Fitzpatrick (2010)

- NCAA Scout – Philadelphia Flyers, NHL
- 1980 NHL Draft pick of Philadelphia Flyers
- Played for Philadelphia Flyers, Hershey Bears, Binghamton Rangers (AHL)
- Graduate; Player; Western Michigan University

Matt Greason (2003)

- Assistant Coach – US National Under-17 Team
- Former Assistant Coach – Trinity College (NESCAC Division 3)
- Former Assistant Coach – Kent School & Kingswood Oxford School
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner at Trinity College (NESCAC – Division 3)

Matt Lindsay (2007)

- Assistant Coach – Princeton University
- Former Assistant Coach – Colorado College
- Former Assistant Coach – Hamilton College
- Graduate, Deerfield Academy

Matt Herr (2010)

- Head Coach/Admissions Officer – Kent School (New England Prep)
- Graduate, 4 year letter winner at University of Michigan
- Atlantic District Alumni – played in multiple National Festivals
- Played in NHL, AHL
- Graduate; former player Hotchkiss School

Graham Johnson (2008)

- Assistant Coach – Hamilton College (ECAC Div. 3)
- Former Assistant Coach – Quinnipiac University (ECAC Division 1)
- Former Assistant Coach – University of Rhode Island (ACHA Division 1)
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner at University of Rhode Island

Rich McKenna (2010)

- Assistant Coach – Wesleyan College (NESCAC Division 3)
- Graduate; Player – Castleton State College (NCAA Division 3)
- Graduate; Player – Don Bosco Prep

Bryan Mountain (2006)

- Current Goaltender – Northeastern University (Hockey East – Division 1)
- Alum of Atlantic District Player Development Program
- Won Gold Medal as a player at National 16 Festival for Atlantic District

Keith Primeau (2010)

- Director of Player Development – Las Vegas Wranglers, ECHL
- 3rd Overall Selection in 1990 NHL Draft – Detroit Red Wings
- Played for Detroit Red Wings, Philadelphia Flyers, Hartford Whalers

Bill Riga (2006)

- Assistant Coach – Quinnipiac University (ECAC Division 1)
- Former Assistant Coach – Union College (ECAC Division 1)
- Former Head Coach – Rivers School (New England Prep)
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner at UMass-Lowell (Hockey East – Division 1)

John Stevens (2010)

- Former Head Coach – Philadelphia Flyers - NHL
- Former Head Coach – Philadelphia Phantoms - AHL
- National/American League Player 1984-1995

Jim Ward (2010)

- Head Coach – Connecticut College (NESCAC – Div. 3)
- Former Assistant Coach – Princeton University
- Former Assistant Coach – Union College
- Former Head Coach – Northfield Mount Hermon School
- Graduate; Player – SUNY Geneseo

District Staff Coaches

In addition to the hockey professionals we have on staff, the Atlantic District Player Development Program is proud to work in concert with ALL OF THE YOUTH HOCKEY PROGRAMS IN THE DISTRICT. We currently have coaches from the following organizations working in the program: The year following their name represents the year they joined our staff.

- Central Penn Panthers
- Hershey Jr. Bears
- Holy Ghost Prep
- Mercer Chiefs
- Malvern Prep
- Philadelphia Jr. Flyers
- Philadelphia Revolution
- NJ Bandits
- NJ Colonials
- NJ Hitmen
- NJ Rockets
- NJ Titans
- NJ Wildcats
- Team Comcast
- VF Minutemen

Chris Barless (1999)

- Head Coach – Mercer Chiefs '92 & '94
- Former Head Coach – Princeton Day School
- Graduate of New Hampton Prep, NH
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner – Geneseo State (SUNYAC – Division 3)

Dave Crandell (2007)

- Head Coach – NJ Rockets
- Intern Coach – National 15 Player Development Camp
- Former Head Coach – The Pingry School
- Graduate of Southern Connecticut State University

Dustin DePalma (2005)

- Head Coach – NJ Junior Titans Jr. B
- Head Coach – Team NJ, Chicago Showcase
- Graduate of University of Connecticut

Rich Eby (1997)

- Head Coach – Hershey Bears '97
- Present Middle School Principal

Pat Ferrill (1995)

- Former Head Coach – Philadelphia Jr. Flyers U16
- Head Coach – Philadelphia Flyers Quebec Team (2002-2006)
- Former Head Coach – Villanova University (NCAA Division 3)
- VP Hockey Development, Comcast Sports
- Graduate; Drexel University

Jeremy Hall (2010)

- Head Coach – Team Comcast U16
- 1983 birth-year player in AAHA Program
- Played in USHL, NAHL
- Graduate and former player UMASS-Lowell (Hockey East, D1)
- Played 3 years in ECHL following college

Toby Harris (2005)

- Associate Head Coach, Recruiting Director – NJ Hitmen (2008 EJHL Champions)
- Graduate of The Governors Academy, MA
- Graduate, 4 year letter winner at Boston College (Hockey East – Division 1)
- Played four years pro hockey – Germany and WPHL

Mike Lichtenberg (2000)

- Head Coach – Lehigh University (ACHA – Division 2 Club)
- Associate Coach-in-Chief – Atlantic District

Greg Marinari (2003)

- Head Coach – Drexel University (ACHA Division 1 Club)
- First “Alumni” Coach from Player Development Program
- Graduate and letter winner at Drexel University

Wally Muehlbronner (1999)

- Head Coach – LaSalle College HS
- Director of Hockey Operations – Valley Forge Minutemen
- Graduate and letter winner at Norwich University (ECAC Division 3)
- Former Head Coach – Team Philadelphia, Chicago Showcase

Randy Walker (1992)

- Head Coach – NJ Jr. Titans '92 & '96
- Head Coach – Philadelphia Flyers Quebec Team (2008 & 2009)
- Graduate; 4 year letter winner - York University, Toronto

Gump Whiteside (1998)

- Head Coach – Holy Ghost Prep
- Former Head Coach – Germantown Academy
- Head Coach – Chicago Showcase, Team Philadelphia
- USA HOCKEY Festival Camp Director 2006-2009

Justin Stanlick (2009)

- Head Coach – NJ Wildcats, Empire League
- Graduate, Player Wyoming Seminary
- Graduate of Drew University