



GLOUCESTER GRIFFINS JUNIOR LACROSSE CLUB
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GRIFFINS APPOINT MIKE ROY HEAD COACH FOR 2007

GLOUCESTER- In 2007 the Gloucester Griffins Junior B team will be celebrating 30th years of continuous operation as a Junior B franchise, the third longest running Junior B team in Ontario and with three Founders Cup appearances on their record. Despite a few hard years the Griffins Executive recognizes that a lot of great work has been done in recent years, towards returning the Griffins to the status of a viable and a strong Junior B franchise. It is the feeling that at this time the Griffins franchise requires on-going continuity with the work already done and stability within the franchise, to demonstrate to both players and their fans that the team and franchise are here for the long haul. With the core group of young players returning, a good group of midget prospects coming up and a vital and dedicated group of returning veteran players having confirmed their commitment to the team, the Griffins management are extremely happy that Mike Roy has agreed to remain with the team in the capacity of Head Coach for 2007.

Mike has spent the last two years with the Griffins in the position of General Manager and Assistant Coach in 2005 and most recently as General Manager in 2006. He knows the players coming back to the junior program and is familiar with the midget graduates coming up from the Gloucester Minor Association. Mike recognizes and welcomes the challenge of putting a winning program on the floor and has proven his commitment to excellence at every level of lacrosse that he has coached or been involved with. With over 600 Gloucester minor league players waiting in the wings Mike is dedicated to putting together a winning team of coaches and players and is looking forward to working to bring the Junior B Griffins back to a position of prominence.

Mike has been involved with lacrosse as a player, coach and administrator for almost 40 years; he has won Provincial championships as a coach at the minor level and is one of the few fully certified Level III lacrosse instructors in the country. Mike's blend of lacrosse experience will be of great benefit to the young Griffins team as they develop towards a top Junior B club!

Look for further exciting announcement as Mike puts together his winning team of coaches and staff for 2007.

Dave Smith, General Manager