**Expression of Interest for Midget Sting**

Hello all. I know it feels like lacrosse just ended, but for some of us it never does. I wanted to send out an email giving everyone an idea of what is in the works for the Midget Sting Program and ask players for an expression of interest on whether or not the commitment would be there to move ahead with the program.

As we look at growing this program into the Midget age group we have had a commitment from Dave Welton to be the head coach of the program. Dave has been very successful at coaching kids at all age groups, in various levels of lacrosse. Dave has an extensive lacrosse background and has worked for the ALA, currently with Evolve lacrosse, coached the Junior Roughnecks for the past few years and has coached a variety of teams within the CDLA out of Calgary. This is a great opportunity for the kids to have an experienced coach with a real passion for the game. The plan is to have the Sala Sting go to the Midget ‘A’ showcase which will expose those players to number of different possibilities - scouts, schools, scholarships etc. On top of that we would look at an earlier tournament in Saskatchewan and the Canada Day Tournament.

Dave would be the only for sure on the bench until the team was selected and then we would fill out our bench staff and manager positon from there. We will have independent evaluators from Evolve Lacrosse at the tryouts to help with the selection process. We have some highly qualified parents that could fill these roles and others that are willing to help in the early stages of planning to get this off the ground. As we do not have any jerseys for this age group we would also be seeking sponsorship to purchase these, as well as apparel.

The goal would be to hold the tryouts, based on numbers, earlier in the year, sometime in March and start practicing together to create that team bond. I would ask that if your athlete is interested in playing for the Midget Sting this year that you respond by email to [chadeakins8@gmail.com](mailto:chadeakins8@gmail.com) with your players info including Name, Contact Info, What hand they are and the local club they belong to. I would ask that the response be sent by November 30th, 2019 so the planning can begin.

Thanks for your interest and commitment to growing the game!