



**Curtis Storey – April 2015
Brandon, MB**

Growing up in Grandview, Curtis' love for sports started an early age. During his time with Hockey Brandon, Curtis has held the roles of assistant coach, manager and coach. Curtis is in his second term as the Hockey Brandon Bantam/Midget Director. This role can be very demanding at certain times, but Curtis's ability to resolve issues is a true testament to this character.



This past November, Rogers Hometown Hockey made a stop in Brandon. Winnipeg's Breakfast Television program came out & did a live broadcast on the Friday morning. They asked to have team on the ice during their three hour time slot. Curtis was able to convince his team of 13 & 14 year olds to take part, which meant being at the rink and on the ice by 6:00am. The kids and coaches had a great time and were proud to represent our hockey town for this event.

Hockey Brandon was selected to host a new program introduced by Hockey Canada and Bauer called The First Shift. First time players could sign up for six sessions of hockey and Bauer outfitted them from head to toe. We also required ten on-ice instructors and Curtis welcomed the challenge. At the final ice time, it was obvious how much it meant to the kids. They were coming up to Curtis to thank him, give a hand shake or high five to show their appreciation.

His co-coach Tim Case shares some of his attributes. I have known Curtis since moving to Brandon in 1999. Curtis is very organized and I would say he was the major contributing factor for a great fun season for the Brandon Police Association Bantam Jets. He was able to procure extra practice time, set up many tournaments, and did everything he could to make for a successful hockey year for the kids. He got our team tickets to watch the Winnipeg Jets play the Colorado Avalanche which made for a very memorable day for the kids. He took on all the management duties required both seasons I coached with him. Curtis is very outgoing and is always chatting with all the parents and joking around with the kids. He has a definite passion for the game of hockey and puts the kids first at all times. Volunteering can often be a thankless job so this recognition is awesome. I think he knows he is making a difference. He is involved for all the right reasons. He is there to ensure that the kids have fun while learning all the important aspects of teamwork and camaraderie. Curtis is a very positive person and it's a pleasure working alongside him. Thanks again Curtis for another great season with the BPA Jets.

Hockey Brandon is privileged to have a volunteer with such dedication to the game, like Curtis, in our organization.

Hockey Manitoba congratulates Curtis Storey as the April 2015 Volunteer of the Month.