

Team BC U13 Men's Field Lacrosse



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Team BC U13 Tops Adrenaline-U13's Repeat as Champions

2016 marked the fourth year of the Team BC U13 boys Field Lacrosse Program. The U13's competed at the Adrenaline Lacrosse Tournament in Del Mar, California January 7-8, 2017.

Nearly 100 teams of various age groups from around the western regions competed at the 2-day event. 16 fields and thousands of lacrosse enthusiasts lined the fields for two days of action. Coaches Steven McKinlay Justin DaSilva and Bill Reed trained the young athletes for weeks prior in preparations for the Adrenaline tournament.

Coach McKinlay was pleasantly surprised with the team preparation and the high level of lacrosse IQ of the athletes.

"The players all had a strong skill set," noted Head Coach Steven McKinlay. "We focused and spent a lot of time learning the same vocabulary on the field. We assigned homework and had the players draw and describe what we were teaching on the field. We were impressed to see how much they internalized and understood."

The Team BC U13's were tops in their category and won the Fray 2022/2023 Division with a 6 win and 1 loss record. Team BC game scores were: a 12-2 win over Mustangs (Alberta), a 9-2 win over 3D San Diego, a lopsided 13-1 victory over Minnesota Chill, a tough 9-5 decision to So Cal Express (Irvine, CA), The U13's rebounded with a 15-2 trouncing at the expense of the LA Heat (Los Angeles).

In the semi-finals, Team BC met 3D San Diego again with a berth in the finals on the line. The boys in blue gave 3D all they could handle in a tight, methodical battle. Other than the loss to So Cal, this was the closest match yet and Team BC ended up the victors with a 5-2 win.

In the finals, Team BC met a talented Santa Monica Dragons team. Santa Monica took an early 2-0 lead to set the tone early. Team BC put their work boots on and methodically went to work to rally off five unanswered goals in the first frame to take a 5-2 lead at halftime. The U13's tightened up defensively with some great team defense and a few big saves that resulted in quick transitions leading to goals. Team BC allowed only two more goals, but controlled the remainder of the play to thwart any Santa Monica chance of a comeback. Team BC took the Fray Division title with an 8-4 victory.

"Our goaltending was the best in the tournament," praised McKinlay. "We were so impressed with them that we switched them at half each game. As a team, we physically dominated in the physical aspects of the game. Our athletes took pride in getting involved in the greasy parts of the game and got into the loose ball battles and never turned away from contact situations."

Team BC Field Lacrosse Technical Co-Ordinator, Reynold Comeault, was impressed with the U13 achievements and the coaching they received. "From the outset of the selection process last October, I was very confident that the caliber of our coaching staff would provide all of the support, guidance and direction that our Team BC U13 athletes required to succeed," explained Team BC's Reynold Comeault. "Team BC is very fortunate to have Ohio State Alumni, Steve McKinlay, lead our group to victory with the very capable assistance from Team BC Alumni Justin DaSilva and first time Team BC coach, Bill Reed."

"A special thanks to Team Manager, Gord Kask, and our assistant coaches Justin and Bill for getting this team prepared off and on the field," noted Comeault.

Coach McKinlay's message to his athletes can be summed up with continued hard work. "I'd remind them that the best of the best don't get their by accident. It's the time that you put in by yourself that will set you apart from others."