Steve Henley – steve.henley@juniorhurricanes.org

Coaching Experience:

USAH Level 4 Certified Coach with 21 years coaching experience. Coaching experience includes 8U through 18U Rec, and travel 10U AA/A through 18U AA/A, including 12U AAA.

Coaching Philosophy:

My overall coaching philosophy is to use the game of hockey to teach life skills through the experiences of success and failure while playing the game. Within those experiences, I hope to teach players the importance of work ethic, dedication, perseverance and character, all while having fun. I teach with patience, I allow players to make mistakes, and I try to help them overcome their limitations. As far as the game, I like to teach a fast pace, hard skating, aggressive style, while teaching the players options and to think for themselves.

Playing Career:

I played youth hockey in Lindsay, Ontario, Canada from age 5 through 18. I played travel hockey from the age of 12, and travelled to Sweden for an international tournament during the 1979 season at age 16. Won the All-Ontario Championship during the 1979 season, with our team ranked in the top 20 in Canada at the AA level.

I have continued to play Men's league hockey to present and have been fortunate enough to play with all three of my sons in tournaments and leagues.

Coaching Highlights:

Since 1999, I have had the privilege to coach two players who went on to D1 College later in their careers. I have also coached many players at younger ages who played in upper level leagues such as the USPHL, CHL and several in the USHL.

As the Rec League Director in 2007, I, along with other coaches, developed what is the equivalent of the USA ADM model several years before it was adopted by USA Hockey.

I have coached with three teams that qualified for the National Championships.

Our program has won 2 National Championships during my tenure as Executive Director.

Walking into a rink or out in public and being referred to as "Coach Henley" by former players who are now young adults