



*We are extremely excited to announce the Maverik Dallas Lacrosse Academy - a joint venture between Maverik Lacrosse, a manufacturer of lacrosse equipment and apparel, and accomplished local coaches John Marano and Alex Poole.*

#### **SHAPING YOUTH LACROSSE THROUGH INCREASED COMPETITION AND COACHING**

The mission of Maverik Lacrosse is to provide coaching and instruction to young men to help them reach their highest individual potential by the time they reach college. Maverik Lacrosse uses three primary methods to accomplish this mission:

- 1) Conduct high-level practice sessions and instruction
- 2) Schedule games to test performance against appropriate levels of competition
- 3) Provide an opportunity to make travel teams to play against the nation's best competition

Maverik Lacrosse is a supplemental program to community and school programs. Academy students should approach this opportunity with the understanding that they will not simply play games. The academy is a place for those who want focus and dedicate their time to improving their basic fundamentals by following a curriculum necessary to compete at the next level. The most important attribute we want in Maverik players is great desire to be the best lacrosse player they can be. This means they are willing to work hard both in and out of scheduled practices to get there. Kids will gain self-confidence as they realize, through hard work and dedication, that they can achieve their goals. These lessons will prove beneficial now and throughout life as it helps boys build character and integrity through their efforts.

#### **COACHING STAFF**

Alex Poole and John Marano possess extensive lacrosse knowledge, gained through coaching and playing lacrosse at many levels for over 20 years. Each coach has taken various teams outside the state of Texas to play against the very best competition the country has to offer. They have a thorough knowledge of the detail-oriented preparation necessary to compete and succeed at the highest levels.

Kevin Barnicle and Matt Bocklet will be on the coaching staff as well. Kevin played at Springfield College and is currently the head coach at the Episcopal School of Dallas (ESD), where he led the Eagles to the 2007 State Championship. Matt Bocklet recently graduated from Johns Hopkins University, where he played long stick midfielder and defense. He played in two NCAA Division I National Championship games, winning one ring. Each will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Maverik staff, having competed at the highest collegiate levels.

## VISITING COACHES

In addition to our coaching staff, the following Maverik professional lacrosse players will be guest coaches throughout the year:

<p><b>John Gagliardi – Owner, Maverik Lacrosse</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current member of the Long Island Lizards</li><li>• All-World Defender for Team USA</li><li>• 2X All American Johns Hopkins University</li><li>• 6X MLL All-Star</li></ul>	<p><b>Paul Rabil</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current member of the Boston Cannons</li><li>• 3X All American Johns Hopkins University</li><li>• 2007 <u>McLaughlin Award</u></li><li>• Selected #1 overall pick of the 2008 MLL Draft by the Boston Cannons</li></ul>
<p><b>John Christmas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current member of the Boston Cannons</li><li>• NCAA Rookie of the Year</li><li>• 2X All American University of Virginia</li><li>• MLL most improved player 2006</li></ul>	<p><b>Jay Jalbert</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2X All American University of Virginia</li><li>• 1999 Midfielder of the Year</li><li>• 2003 MLL MVP</li><li>• 2006 All-World</li></ul>
<p><b>Sean Lindsay</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current member of the LA Riptide</li><li>• 2X All American Syracuse University</li><li>• 2004 MLL 1<sup>st</sup> round pick</li></ul>	<p><b>Kyle Sweeney</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current member of the Philadelphia Barrage</li><li>• 3X All American Georgetown University</li><li>• Team USA</li></ul>

## PROGRAM DETAILS

Each player that join the Maverik Dallas Lacrosse Academy will be placed on an academy team based on his age. The teams will work year-round to prepare for competition. This preparation will be tested by playing games against other local select teams as well as visiting select teams. Depending on the number of Maverik participants, there may even be opportunity to compete against other Maverik teams.

In addition to competing locally, each academy member will be eligible to try out for the Maverik Travel Teams. There will be one travel team at each age level, excluding K-2, that will participate in two national tournaments over the summer. This will be a reward for those players that have made the necessary commitment to their coaches and teammates. Enrollment in the academy is limited to the first 40 players at each age group – 20 of which will be selected for the 2009 Maverik Travel Teams. So, early registration is encouraged.

## YEARLY PROGRAM COSTS & AGE BRACKETS

K-2<sup>nd</sup> (Lightning) - \$800

U-11 (Bantam), U-13 (Youth), U-15 (Junior) - \$1200 (plus summer travel expenses, if applicable)

U-17 (Jr. Varsity), U-19 (Varsity) - Summer Select - \$800 plus travel expense\*

*\*Can participate in skills sessions with visiting pro coaches throughout the year*

The fee listed above for each age bracket includes the following:

- Maverik Gear – equipment bag, gloves, shorts, shooting shirt, reversible pennie
- Services – coaching, field rental, Mustang Summer League dues, tournament dues

*\* For those that participated in the 2008 Maverik Fall Program, a \$200 credit will be given*

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in learning more details about the Maverik Dallas Lacrosse Academy, please contact : [john@maverikdallas.com](mailto:john@maverikdallas.com) or [alex@maverikdallas.com](mailto:alex@maverikdallas.com)