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DEAR EXPRESS LOCAL PROSPECT,

The Central Elgin Express are members of the Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) and the Southern Ontario Junior Hockey League (SOJHL). The current ownership of Peter North and Bill Walters along with current Head Coach Mike Herman and General Manager Joe Daniels are all committed to searching out the top local talent as Express prospects. Peter, Bill, Mike and Joe are and have been heavily involved in the local amateur sports scene. For the 2007-2008 season the Express have entered into an affiliation agreement with the St. Thomas Stars WOHL Jr. B Club the St. Thomas Stars further establishing local flavor to both organizations and a commitment to finding and developing local talent for junior hockey prospects at both levels. Relationships with the Local Minor Hockey executives and systems have been initiated and will be closely fostered.

The coaching staff of the 2007 – 2008 Central Elgin Express will consist of Head Coach Mike Herman, returning Assistant Coach Tom Wilson and two new additions Rob Bauer and Chris Fryfogle. Tom has been involved with several Junior Hockey teams through the years at all levels and is entering his 6th season in the SOJHL, bringing with him an extensive Junior Hockey background. Rob was the Head Coach of last season's Elgin Middlesex Chiefs "AAA" Major Midgets team after coaching Chatham's "AAA" Midget team the previous season. As well as a high level of technical training and experience on the bench at high levels of minor hockey Rob has also coached at the elite levels of roller hockey. Rob did an exceptional job of developing the Chiefs Midgets from a bottom tier team to a highly competitive team through the course of last season. Rob's dedication and commitment to the game of hockey and his contributions to the 2007-2008 Express are well anticipated. Chris was an assistant coach with the SOJHL Exeter Hawks last season, his first as a Junior Hockey coach after years of coaching minor hockey in Aylmer and "AAA" summer hockey. Chris brings with him knowledge of the SOJHL and what it takes to be successful at this level with the same passion and dedication to the game of hockey that Rob does. The Express are excited about the technical capabilities, energy and human qualities that this coaching staff offers to next season's Express players.

The Express will be kicking off the 2007-2008 tryout process with an open "Local Player Prospect Evaluation Camp" in St. Thomas on Monday, August 27th, 2007, 8:30pm at the Timken Arena in St. Thomas. Players born in 1990, 1991 and 1992 who played competitive hockey in Port Stanley, St. Thomas and Belmont will be welcome and the 44 spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Cost to attend will be \$20.00 per player. To confirm your place in the camp please return ASAP the player info form, fee and applicable permission to skate forms to Joe Daniels at the address indicated on the form. This is your invitation to attend. Players from this camp will be selected to attend the Express open camp being held on Thursday, August 30th. For other details on the Express visit www.centralelginexpress.com.

The EXPRESS Thank You for your interest in Local Junior Hockey!

