



Canadian Lacrosse Association Announces 2012 U19 Men's Field National Team Final Roster

December 1, 2011 - Ottawa, Ontario ... The Canadian Lacrosse Association (CLA) is pleased to announce the final team roster that will represent Canada at the 2012 FIL Under 19 Men's Field World Championships being held in Turku, Finland.

The selection of the final 24 players was not an easy one and follows a successful final selection camp held over the November 25-27, 2011 weekend in Oshawa, Ontario. The camp offered 50 spaces for players who were selected from the over two hundred player applications received since the player application period opened. The final selections also come after many weeks of Team Canada coaching staff and scouts, who are scattered throughout the country, seeking out players, watching them in action and comparing notes on prospective players and those up and coming for future programs.

Being selected to attend the camp was an impressive accomplishment and the players were put through their paces. Team Canada Head Coach, Brodie Merrill summarized the final selection camp, "as expected, the players performed very well and conducted themselves with class on and off the field. The players experienced a lot of lacrosse in a short period of time and I was impressed with how they handled themselves. They showed strength through adversity and were able to sustain a high level of effort in order to compete throughout the entire weekend. I think it is a reflection of how important the national program is to young Canadian lacrosse players. All 50 players are fully capable of representing Team Canada and should certainly feel proud of their effort and their role in the process of achieving our program objectives. We are confident in the team we have selected and confident in the process we went through to get to this point. The focus will now quickly shift to preparing the team for Finland."

Merrill's comments were echoed by the CLA's National Team Director of Men's Field, Dave Huntley, "The level of play at this camp exceeded the already high expectations we had going in. The level of athleticism and skill demonstrated by the players speaks volumes about the development of these athletes at the local and provincial level and bodes well for the future of Canadian lacrosse. Our coaches had a lot of difficult decisions to make in coming up with the group that will represent Canada in 2012."

Team Canada Defensive Coordinator, Taylor Wray commented, "this was certainly one of the deepest and most talented pools of defensive players we have ever had at Team Canada U19 tryout. The final decisions were extremely difficult, but I feel we have selected the best group to represent our country and give us the opportunity to win the World Championship. It is a versatile group of athletes with great speed, toughness, skill level and overall athleticism. We focused on selecting players we felt would operate well within the defensive system and would be able to offer benefits to our transition game. I'm really looking forward to coaching this group."

CLA Vice President of International Competition, Stewart Begg, has been with the Team Canada program during each step of the selection and shared his thoughts on the process and future of Canada's national teams, "the CLA is very proud of the effort and investment our coaching staff and scouts have put into our national team program and long term strategy. Young lacrosse players will see this team take to the field in Finland and will be inspired and infused with pride just as our Head Coach, Brodie Merrill was, who as a young lacrosse player, witnessed Canada come back from an 11-1 deficit in a world championship game against the US in 1998. The future could not be more exciting for young lacrosse players who dream one of day of playing for Canada."



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The following players will represent Canada's 2012 U19 National Team and the hopes and dreams of every Lacrosse fan...

<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Province</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>NCAA School</u>
Lintner	Dan	Ontario	Whitby/Oshawa	Cornell, 2010
French	Joe	Ontario	Mimico	Georgetown, 2013
Evans	Turner	Ontario	Peterborough	Ohio State, 2011
O'Connor	Reily	Ontario	Whitby/Oshawa	Georgetown, 2011
Herreweyers	Zack	Ontario	Wallaceburg	Loyola, 2012
Comeault	Reegan	BC	Langley	Ohio State, 2011
King	Jesse	BC	Victoria	Ohio State, 2011
Berg	Wesley	BC	Coquitlam	Denver, 2011
Cole	Brian	Ontario	Oakville	Maryland, 2011
Tinney	Joel	Ontario	Guelph	Hopkins, 2014
Jackson	Kyle	Ontario	Sarnia	Michigan, 2012
Albrecht	Tyler	Ontario	Oakville	Cornell, 2012
Tutton	Chad	Ontario	Whitby/ Oshawa	UNC, 2011
Lindsay	Jay	Ontario	Burlington	Uncommitted
MacKay	Ian	Ontario	Port Elgin	Vermont, 2013
Searle	Derek	Ontario	Hamilton	Cornell, 2012
MacDermott	Danny	BC	Richmond	NYIT, 2010
Moroney	Aaron	Ontario	Whitby/Oshawa	Towson, 2012
Stouros	Leo	Ontario	Brampton	Uncommitted
Gilligan	Tyler	Ontario	Whitby/Oshawa	Marquette, 2011
Trolley	Kyle	Ontario	Peterborough	Notre Dame, 2011
Donville	Brennan	Ontario	Oakville	Cornell, 2012
Johnstone	Hayden	Ontario	Toronto Beaches	Stony Brook, 2013
Bowman	Ross	BC	New Westminster	Uncommitted

Team Canada Staff and Scouts who faced the difficult task of selecting the final team...

MF National Team Director – Dave Huntley
 Head Coach – Brodie Merrill (ON)
 Offensive Coordinator – Matt Brown (BC)
 Defensive Coordinator – Taylor Wray (AB)
 Substitution Box/Faceoff – Geoff Snider (AB)
 Goalie Coach – Angus Dineley (ON)
 Offensive Coach- Scott Browning (BC)
 Defensive Coach –David Summerville (ON)
 Video Coach- Lawrence Taylor (NS)

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Team Manager – Terry Lloyd
Equipment Manager – Paul Wade
Therapist – Jessica Price
Therapist - Jenn Bell

Head Scout – Stu Brown (ON)
Western Scout – Rey Comeault (BC)
Western Scout - Paul Rai (AB)
Eastern Scout – Clancy Almas (ON)
Eastern Scout – Daryl Haynes (ON)

The 2012 U19 Men's Field World Championships will be held July 12th to 21st in Turku, Finland. Team Canada will be playing for gold against Australia, Bermuda, Czech Republic, England, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Iroquois Nationals, Netherlands, USA and Wales.