

**Dennis "Tree" Emerson
U21 A Head Coach**

Who are you and what do you do?

Dennis "Tree" Emerson, a longtime volunteer coach and former board member with AMHA.

Why did you become a coach?

I started out coaching my daughter and then my son when they were younger. Over the last two decades I have been a parent and non-parent coach from teaching beginner skating all the way up to winning OMHA titles with the 02 bantams and U21 Team

Showcase Expertise:

I have been coaching for over 20 years. Multiple appearances in the OMHA/OHF Finals. 2 OMHA Championships.

Highlight coaching achievements.

Getting the juvenile program back up and running in AMHA and turning it into a very successful program in the 7 years I have been with the team. One finals appearance and 1 OMHA Red Hat.

What do you specialize in?

Team/Player management. I surround myself with great staff and recognize that I am coaching adults who want to be treated like adults. I also pride myself on the working relationships I have created with several of the Junior C teams over the year to promote player advancement and AP opportunities. I am a positive coach that lets the players play. I demand disciplined play and allow creativity in the game.