

## Team BC U15 Men's Field Lacrosse



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### Team BC U15 Men's Field Lacrosse Team - Towson, MD

The Team BC U15 Men's team competed in the annual recruiting tournament in Baltimore, Maryland last November.

First stop, a practice at Towson University Stadium to shake out the travel cobwebs. The team arrived early to watch the Towson Tigers Men's Lacrosse team scrimmage. After practice, the U15's toured the Towson Athletic Facility with coach Neil Hutchinson who spoke about expectations as part of the Towson Men's Lacrosse program. The lesson was clear -- as Coach Neil explained what it takes to be a Student Athlete, he noted the reason why "student" is emphasized first!

Day 1-GAME 1 - Team BC (7) vs. 3D Mid-Atlantic (Washington, DC) (5). The U15's had an early morning start. The U15's took a while to get things going, but when they did, Mid-Atlantic was often on their heels to keep pace with the Team BC speed. BC goalies (Mathew Chapman & Johnny Edin) split the game and both played very well keeping Mid-Atlantic scorers at bay. U15 goal scorers were Caleb Pearson (3G), Mitchell Bye, Gabriel Procyk, Evan Wray and Mark Yingling each with singles.

GAME 2 - Team BC (10) vs. True Lacrosse Green (Chicago) (6). True Lacrosse made Team BC raise their level of play. The game was back and forth but Team BC came together as a unit with great team play. Scorers were Caleb Pearson, Jake Cantlon and Brett Ginac with 2 goals each and singles by Mitchell Bye, Trent Kellner, Dylan McCormick and Evan Wray. Goalies split time and another great team effort.

GAME 3 - Team BC (6) vs. PB Revolution (Palm Beach, FL) (4). The third game of the day proved to be the toughest. The U15's fell behind 2-0 at the end of the first half. Whether it was the coach's inspirational speech or the boy's getting down to business -- the U15's came out like gang-busters in the second half. Team BC scored five unanswered goals before the Revolution was able to stop the Team BC run with a goal of their own. Both teams traded goals near the end, but the Revolution were unable to overcome the BC run. Goal scorers were Finn Stark (2G), Mark Yingling (2G), Jake Cantlon (1G) and Trent Kellner (1G).

Day 2-GAME 4 - Team BC (3) vs. Resolute (Ohio) (6). Competitions get tougher as games go deeper into the tournament -- this is the way teams and individuals learn to get to the next level. On a cool, sunny day, Team BC met a prepared Ohio Resolute team. Resolute dominated the face-off X & controlled most of the play throughout. Every time Team BC answered back with a goal, team Resolute would counter back. The U15's were unable to claw their way back from the deficit and dropped the first game 6-3. Both Team BC goalies stood on their heads and give the team every opportunity to fight their way back, but to no avail. Goal scorers were Caleb Pearson (2G) and Gabriel Procyk (1G).

GAME 5 - Team BC (8) vs. Southshore 2018 (New Jersey) (8). Team BC's slow start had them behind early as the half ended 4-2 for Southshore. Team BC's first half goalie (Johnny Edin) made some fantastic saves setting the tone for the remainder of the game. In the second half, Team BC found their second wind, scoring 4 straight goals to pull ahead by 2. The BC boys lead by 2 with three minutes left, but were unable to hold back the Southshore attack as they scored a pair of late goals to tie the game. This see-saw battle ended in a tie as it should have! Goal scorers were Gabriel Procyk (4G), Dylan McCormick (2G), Mitchell Bye (1G) and Brett Ginac (1G).

GAME 6 - Team BC (3) vs. Denver Elite 2018 (Denver) (9). Game six was a completely different game (or team) that the U15's saw in the first five games. Denver Elite, was by far the best squad Team BC faced throughout the two days of tournament play. They dominated all aspects of the game and were a very good team that was beatable, but not on this day. Team BC wasn't able to put their best foot forward and ended the trip with a 9-3 loss. Goal scorers were Caleb Pearson (2G) and Mitchell Bye (1G). Mathew Chapman had an outstanding game in goal.

The Team BC U15 boys had a great trip east! 143 college and university coaches from 113 schools attended the tournament (53 Division 1 schools) and some connections were made. Many thanks go out to Team Manager, Ray Richards, and the parents who assisted the team this year. Their help made the experience special and something athletes will always remember!