



# Huskies Headlines

June 2010

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## Club Calendar:

HHC Board Workshop	June 9
Mite/Squirt Open House	June 17
NIHL Mtg (if nec)	June 21

## President's Hello

I hope everyone is looking forward to our newsletter each month and using it as one tool for Huskies information. One of our goals for the board going forward is to increase communication to our membership and also give the membership the opportunity to approach us openly with questions and concerns that you may have.

One way in which we have opened things up between the membership and the Board, is by placing a new suggestion box at the communications table at the IIC. This box will be closely monitored and feedback will be given on a weekly basis. Suggestions, comments and questions will all be answered directly by the Huskies Board of Directors. This will be a useful tool because we understand families are busy and cannot always attend open board meetings or town hall meetings. The suggestion box is at the rink 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so it provides the opportunity to communicate when we are not there or available when you are.

Another way to communicate directly with the Board and submit your suggestions, comments or questions is through the Huskies eSuggestion Box on our Huskies Hockey Club website. You can click on the link on the webpage or you can e-mail us directly at [suggestions@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:suggestions@huskieshockeyclub.com). Thank you to those who have submitted some suggestions already. We hope you are happy with the response time and action that was taken.

As a reminder, all of our current board members are now listed on the Huskies website with e-mail addresses so we can be contacted directly too.

We want to hear from you!  
Bob Graham – HHC President

## Summer is Here!!

Summer is here and the kids are finishing up with school this month, if they haven't already started their summer vacation. Soccer, baseball, lacrosse, track and many other activities are in full swing and will most likely be wrapping up at the end of this month.

Look no further to see the summer clinics the Huskies are offering in this newsletter. Also feel free to pick up the 2010 Huskies Summer Clinics brochure found at IIC for detailed information and registration dates.

## IIC Notes

Elevators are going to be installed at IIC!!

After the job is complete access to the upper level mezzanines will be available.

Estimated date of completion is scheduled for August 2010.

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Included in the newsletter is information on two new hockey camps IIC will be starting.

## Spring 2010 Wrap Up

The Huskies would like to congratulate ALL of our 2010 spring teams for their completion of the new format of the spring program.

All of the players should be very proud of their efforts and accomplishments during this short season. This was designed to coincide with the ADM model to develop the players' skills and skating and they have improved so much they probably don't even realize it!!

Our Midget Minor team traveled to the Big Dog AAA Tournament in Detroit Michigan May 5-7 and faced some pretty fierce competition. The Midget Major team also traveled to Detroit for the Showdown in Motown Tournament. Both teams gained a lot of knowledge in what it takes to play at such a high level of hockey.

Some of our other huskies teams played in a second spring tournament on their own, the Advanced Arena's Seven Bridges Classic held May 21-23<sup>rd</sup>. We had 6 Huskies teams play in this tournament with our **Squirt 2** team, led by Head Coach Paul Koziarz, winning their Championship round!! Three Huskies teams: Pee Wee 2, Pee Wee 3 and Midget Minor all placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in their divisions. The Huskies Mite teams participated in some large divisions with Mite 1 placing 4<sup>th</sup> and Mite 3 placing 5<sup>th</sup> respectively.

With this new spring season behind us we would like to extend our thanks to all of you that make the Huskies Hockey Club such a great organization!

**Thank you all for a great spring season!**  
**GO HUSKIES!!**

## Mite News

New Huskies Mite Director, Chris Imes, along with the Huskies Board of Directors, held a Mite Open Skate on Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup> at the International Ice Centre (IIC). Free hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks were served to all the mites and their families from 4:30pm to 6:00pm. There was a good turnout of about 30 mites who were able to come out and enjoy some hockey in a non-structured format and have some good old fashioned fun. Chris had the opportunity to talk and interact with all the kids and their parents both on and off the ice. The kids really seemed to enjoy themselves and worked up an appetite! Chris was very excited with the turnout and enjoyed his many conversations with the Mite parents.

On behalf of the Huskies Hockey Club, thank you to everyone who came out and for those of you that couldn't make this event, we are planning another one to take place on **June 17th!** Look for more details to come soon.

## 99C Camps

IIC will have two new hockey camps this summer. Additional details will be coming soon.

### Hockey Day Camp

June 21-25 8:30am-5:00pm  
All levels Mite to Midget

### Defense Camp

July 26-30 for all levels  
Mite /Squirt 8:30am-11:00am  
Pee Wee/Bantam/Midget 1:00pm-4:00pm

## Summer 2010 Clinics - Mite to Bantam

### Mites - Squirts - Pee Wees - Bantams

**Full Session Option:** \$200 for all 12 skates for 6 weeks (\$40 discount)

**Flex Session Option:** \$20 per skate or \$120 for a 6 skate punch card.

**Goalies** - \$100 for all 12 skates or whatever you can get to.

(NO REFUNDS or CREDITS - NO EXCEPTIONS)

### On Ice Schedule

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Lead on-ice Coach</u>
<b><u>Mite</u></b>	Tue/Thurs	6:10pm	Chris Imes
<b><u>Squirt</u></b>	Tue/Thurs	6:10pm/5:40pm	Bob Graham
<b><u>Pee Wee</u></b>	Mon/Wed	7:20pm	Andy Chatten
<b><u>Bantam</u></b>	Mon/Wed	6:40pm	Vic Heurlin

**Clinic Dates:**

**July 5<sup>th</sup> - Aug 12th**

*On-Line Registration available June 1 through July 6.*

## Summer 2010 Clinics - Midgets

### Midget Minor

**Full Session Option:** \$300 for all 18 skates for 6 weeks (\$60 discount)

**Flex Session Option:** \$20 per skate or \$100 for 5 skate punch card/\$200 for 10

**Goalies** - \$150 for all 18 skates or whatever you can get to.

(NO REFUNDS or CREDITS - NO EXCEPTIONS)

### On Ice Schedule

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Lead on-ice Coach</u>
<b><u>Minor</u></b>	Mon/Wed/Fri	6:10-7:20pm	Mike Gedzun
<b><u>Major</u></b>	TBA	TBA	Mike Perillo

**Clinic Dates:**

**July 5<sup>th</sup> - Aug 13th**

*On-Line Registration available June 1 through July 6.*

## Summer Volunteer Programs

Are you looking for a way to Pay for hockey fees this fall season?



Well look no further.....the Huskies Hockey Club has one you just can't pass up!!

This "Stimulus Package" can be yours by volunteering your time and working at the Chicagoland Speedway and Jackhammers Stadium for events this summer. The dates are listed on the Huskies website under the DIBS section. **Time is running out** and we are in need of many volunteers to work concessions and/or beer booths for the Huskies Hockey Club. You will receive an hourly rate for your time depending on the sales of the event and **ALL** money earned will be applied directly to your hockey fees. In addition to your hourly pay you will also receive a CASH BONUS in TIPS earned during the event too. Now that's a "Stimulus Package" you can't turn down!!

If you have any questions, please contact Christina Trombley or Beth Hippman at [ctrombley@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:ctrombley@huskieshockeyclub.com) or [bhippman@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:bhippman@huskieshockeyclub.com).

**\*\*Remember time is running out so contact Christina or Beth ASAP\*\***

For assistance with the DIBS program, please contact Sal at [sal.carcerano@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:sal.carcerano@huskieshockeyclub.com)

## FAQ's

**What would I be doing?** Working the concession stands at the stadium.

**Is training required?** YES. All participants MUST attend a TIPS class which is an alcohol awareness class in order to qualify. **(This class is free and is good for 3 years).**

**How do I sign up?** Games will be listed on the Huskies web site under the DIBS section and you can sign up for the days that fit your schedule.

**How much will I earn?** Earnings depend on the total amount of money the club earns and how many hours you worked. Once the club receives that money, it will be divided by the total number of hours worked resulting in a per/hour amount.

**How will I get the money?** Rebate money will be available by the end of October. Since fall season contract signing is done in September, any money earned will be deducted from your final contract payment.

**What if I sign up and don't show?** The Huskies will be fined for no-shows and risk being removed from the program. If you sign up for a specific time/day and cannot make it, you must notify the program director at least 48 hours in advance.

**Will I be reminded of my scheduled times?** No reminder calls will be made. You will get a confirmation email once you sign up.

**What do I wear?** Jackhammers: Khaki pants/shorts and Jackhammers shirt (\$10). Chicagoland Speedway: Khaki pants only, white Huskies polo.

## *DIBS information*

### **How to Use DIBS - Our Online Volunteering Signup**

Use DIBS, our new online volunteer system. DIBS has many opportunities posted in which you can click on the event of your choice and then you have “DIBS” on it. It’s easy to do, sign up today.

To use DIBS you must first login to the website using your account user name and password. The same account you use for online registration. Click on the “DIBS” button in the upper right side of the website (near the Huskies Banner). There will be two sessions, Joliet Jackhammers & Chicagoland Speedway volunteers. Click either or both and then enter a date range to choose from (you can accept the default but it will only show events scheduled for the next month). You can also click on calendar view which may be easier. There are multiple dates for the same events because there are spots for more than one volunteer. Click on the event and date you want to have “DIBS” on, once you confirm, that spot is yours. An email will be sent to you a day prior to the event as a reminder. Remember you can only cancel your DIB up until 7 days prior to the event.

Also please read and sign the Volunteer Requirement Information Sheet found on the huskies website under the Volunteering tab and return to Beth Hippman.

Good luck, if you have any questions feel free to contact Beth or Christina.

## *Upcoming Events*

The Huskies have lots of events coming up very soon and some just a few months away. Please stay on the look-out for more information on the following items in future newsletters and on the Huskies website.

- ❖ Mite & Squirt Open House (June 2010)
- ❖ Summer Clinics (Begin in July 2010, run through August 2010)
- ❖ Used Equipment Resale (Aug 2010)
- ❖ Welcome Back BBQ (Sep 2010)
- ❖ Huskies Dinner/Dance (Oct 2010)
- ❖ Age level Open Houses for coach meet & greets (dates being arranged throughout summer)
- ❖ Town hall meetings (dates being arranged throughout summer)

## Fall 2010 Sneak Peek

### Conditioning Camp

**Dates of Camp:** August 20th through August 29th

**No. of Skates per level:** 5

**Ice Time Length:** 70 minutes

**Agenda:** Skills, On-ice Conditioning, Small Area Games, Scrimmages (daily schedule will vary)

**Times & Price:** TBA in the coming weeks.

\* These skates are **open** for parent/family viewing and fall huskies player participation is not mandatory, but highly encouraged.

### Fall 2010 Tryouts

**Dates of Tryouts:** September 1st, 2nd and 7th through 9th.

**No. of Skates per level:** 4

**Ice Time Length:** 70 minutes

**Agenda:** Skills and Scrimmages

**Times & Price:** TBA in the coming weeks.

\* These skates are **closed** from parent/family viewing. Traditionally, our tryouts have been this way and continue to give your child the best stage in which to showcase their skills to the coaches, free of any outside distractions. **NEW for 2010:** All Huskies head coaches will be on the ice running the drills, overseeing the scrimmages and interacting with the players on the ice.

### \*NEW\* Post Fall Tryouts \*NEW\*

Huskies Hockey Director, Mike Gedzun will be available for meetings with parents after your player(s) have been evaluated and selected for their teams and notification has been given. There will be a sign-up process to schedule time with Mike to discuss your player's tryout and team selection. Mike is dedicated to watching every tryout session and keeping open lines of communication with the coaches regarding their selections. Meetings are optional and each Huskies family may decide whether or not they would like to meet with Mike.

## Fall 2010 Coaches

Mite 1 – Chris Imes  
 Mite 2 – Ed Nickey  
 Mite 3 – TBA

Squirt 1 – Bob Graham  
 Squirt 2 – Paul Koziarz  
 Squirt 3 – TBA

Pee Wee 1 – Andy Chatten & Michael Gedzun  
 Pee Wee 2 – Andy Chatten  
 Pee Wee 3 – TBA

Bantam 1 – Vic Heurlin  
 Bantam 2 – Barry Hutchins  
 Bantam 3 – TBA

Midget Minor – Michael Gedzun  
 Midget Major – Mike Perillo

***\*Coaches subject to change without notice\*  
 List will be completed in upcoming weeks.***

Are you looking for a quick glance calendar for all Huskies events in one place? With so many new and exciting events coming up we have an easy solution to find out when and where these events are taking place!

Look no further...the Huskies website has now been updated with all new and upcoming events. This includes summer clinics, fall conditioning camps, fall tryouts, town hall meetings, open houses, volunteer events and many others to come.....

Go to [www.huskieshockeyclub.com](http://www.huskieshockeyclub.com) and click on Club News & Events in the left margin. Under the weekly calendar select *View All*. Pick the month to view and everything is right there for you.

## Spring 2010 - feedback

The Huskies Board of Directors would like feedback on this season's spring program.

If you had the opportunity to attend the Spring Town Hall meeting with Michael Gedzun during your child's final skills night the last week in May, then you have already received this questionnaire. However, if you were not able to make it, please fill one out (a copy is attached on the following page) and return it to Michael Gedzun's mailbox in the IIC office.

Our goal is to receive 100% response from all spring participants so we have a great understanding of the membership in regards to your opinion of spring.

THANK YOU!!  
 Huskies Board of Directors

**The Huskies Board of Directors would like you to tell us how we did with Sprint. Please feel free to fill out this questionnaire and leave it in the mailbox of Michael Gedzun in the IIC office!**

**Thank you!**

**Team:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Session:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Coach:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ratings**

1= Poor, 2 = Below Average, 3 = Average, 4 = Above Average, 5 = Excellent

Quality of Practices

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Quality of Tournaments

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Use of Assistant Coaches

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Practice Time

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Communication with Players

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Communication with Parents

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Made it FUN for Players

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Manager Communication

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Game Execution (Head Coach)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Experience

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments:**

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**Enjoy your summer  
and we hope to see you  
at our upcoming summer events!!**

**Is there a specific topic or anything  
additional you would like to see in  
the monthly newsletter?  
Send your ideas to  
[nikki@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:nikki@huskieshockeyclub.com)**

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Since 1969, the **Huskies Hockey Club** has been committed to growing and developing youth hockey in the Chicago area and bringing the wonderful game of hockey to as many children as possible. Our philosophy has been to offer a progression of youth programs that satisfies every level of hockey skill and interest.

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To submit articles, pictures, recognitions or suggested topics for this newsletter, please e-mail Nikki Ommen at [nikki@huskieshockeyclub.com](mailto:nikki@huskieshockeyclub.com).