

**North Branch Area Hockey Association**  
**Viking Hockey News – 8/2/2010**

***Remember to check [www.northbranchhockey.com](http://www.northbranchhockey.com) on a daily basis for any last minute announcements and up to date news!***

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**Arena Update**

The arena committee presented the Stacy Sports Complex proposal to the City Council last week. A few additional minor revisions to the site plans and legal documents were requested. These modifications will be completed early this week and then will be signed off on by the City Council. A separate email blast will be sent out once we have final City Council approval. The goal is to begin moving dirt this week!

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**Upcoming Meetings**

**Mite Committee Meeting** – Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm - NB Library

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**Volunteers Needed!**

To volunteer sign up on Dibs at [www.northbranchhockey.com](http://www.northbranchhockey.com).

The service requirement for all returning hockey families this year is 4 credits. The number of credits earned per event/shift are posted with each shift on Dibs.

**Stacy Daze** – Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

Booth: 8 am to 4:30 pm - Volunteers are still needed for shifts from 10 – 12 and 2 – 4:30 –  
Questions, contact Lisa at 651-500-5445 or [publicity@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:publicity@northbranchhockey.com).

Parade: 11:30 – 1:00 pm – Parade line up is between 11:30 and 12:00 pm. Lineup at the church east of Rustic Inn in Stacy. Volunteers are still needed for the parade. Questions, contact Ray at 651-674-4104 or [mitedirector@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:mitedirector@northbranchhockey.com).

**Almelund Threshing Show** – Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

This was a very successful fundraiser last year. Our booth is located across from the beer garden. Volunteers are still needed on Saturday from 9–11, 1-3, 3–5, 5–7, 7-9 and Sunday 7–9, 10-12, 12-2. Questions, contact Janelle at 763-443-6575 or [fundraising@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:fundraising@northbranchhockey.com).

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## Hockey Information

### Monday's on Ice –

The board is considering offering a hockey program for all Mite/Traveling hockey players on Monday's during the school year. With the school district going to a 4 day school week and our association need for additional ice time we thought offering a program on Monday's could be a good solution. We are currently considering a couple of options. 1) Half Day program 2) Full Day Program (9 am to 3 pm).

We are looking for feedback from parents to determine how many would be interested in their skaters attending. As well, we need feedback from coaches to determine if we will have enough coaches who can rotate running the sessions. We will also need some off ice parent volunteers who would be willing to help each week.

Cost of the program has not yet been determined but will be kept as low as possible. Here is the initial information we have regarding the program.

Email Tim Cashill at [president@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:president@northbranchhockey.com) and indicate if your skater(s) would be interested in participating in this program. Within the next couple of weeks we will use this feedback to determine what will be offered.

#### Possible Full Day Schedule

9-11 am – on ice skills and small games sessions  
11-12 Lunch – Bring a bag lunch  
12-2 pm - on ice skills and small games sessions  
2-3 dryland training

Possible Dates: Nov 8, 15, 29, Dec 6, 13, Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, Feb 7, 14

### Registration –

Online registration will be available this year as well as in person registration. Online registration will be open in the next couple of weeks. In person registration dates will be scheduled and communicated soon.

Fees for the 2010 – 2011 season are listed below.

Note: the level classifications (A – D & Initiation Mites) were changed starting this year and are now in the reverse order with the highest level team being called A mites and the lowest level teams being called D and Initiation Mties.

Traveling  
\$300 for bantams (registration fee only)

\$1060 - PeeWee

\$960 – Squirts

Mites

\$525 – A/B Mites

\$80 (skaters born before 2004 unless placed on an A/B Mite team)

\$40 (skaters born in 2004 and after)

**Squirt & PeeWee Preskates/Tryout Dates** – Watch for more details in September.

Chisago Arena:

Pre Skate 9/24 6:10, 7:20, 8:30 pm

Tryouts 10/1 6:10 Squirt skills  
10/2 4:20 Squirt try-out  
10/2 5:30 PeeWee try-out  
10/3 4:20 Squirt try-out  
10/3 5:30 PeeWee try-out

**Learn to Skate** – Registration Flyer available on the website.

Isanti Arena:

Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>-Fri 5:50pm

Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>-Sat 2:20pm

Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>-Fri 5:50pm

Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>-Sat 2:20pm

**Mite Evaluation Dates** – Watch for more details in October.

Isanti Arena:

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>-Sat 10:50am

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>-Sat 12:00pm

Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>–Sun 10:50am

Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>–Sun 12:00pm