



North Branch Area Hockey Association
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Remember to check www.northbranchhockey.com on a daily basis for any last minute announcements and up to date news!

Arena Update

The arena committee continues to make progress on the Stacy Sports Complex project. Yes, the progress is slower than we had all hoped, but we definitely are moving in the right direction. Final plans for the project have been completed by our engineer and are being delivered to the City of Stacy and their engineer early this week. We hope to soon have everything in place to get approval for the building permit.

A huge thank you to the Arena Committee who continue to put in many hours every week on this project!

Upcoming Meetings

Mite Meeting - We will be having an impromptu mite meeting tonight, **Tuesday August 17th, 8:30 pm at the Pizza Pub**...This will be a continuation of the meeting we had earlier this summer at the Fire Station regarding our mite program and the direction of it for 2010-2011. Anybody who has an opinion about the mites can be heard tonight

Mandatory Registration Fundraiser Material Pickup – Wednesday, August 25th – 5:45 to 7 pm – NB Library - Janelle will be at the North Branch Library prior to the August Membership meeting for returning hockey families to stop by and pick up the mandatory registration fundraising materials.

Membership/Board Meeting – Wednesday, August 25th – 7 pm - NB Library. Parents are encouraged and welcome to attend.

In Person Portion of Registration - returning skaters only - Monday, August 30th – 6 to 9 pm – NB Library

On line registration

On line registration is now available for the 2010-2011 season through the NBAHA website for all new and returning skaters. You must first register with USA hockey (link provided on NBAHA website) you will then need your USA hockey confirmation number to proceed with NBAHA online registration.

- **Returning Skaters only**

The in person portion of registration will be held at the NB library on **August 30th 6-9 PM.**

You will be able to turn in your waiver of liability and consent to treat forms as well as pick up your fundraising materials if you have not done so already. You may also mail in these forms to NBAHA c/o Registrar PO Box 541 North Branch, MN 55056

These forms must be turned in before your child will be allowed on the ice for tryouts/evaluations.

Payment is due at this time if you chose the "off line" payment option during your on line registration.

***We will have a computer available to register those who do not have access to the internet.**

- **New skaters only**

We will be holding a Mite Night for new skaters later this fall where we will discuss the upcoming season, hand out equipment and allow you to pay in person, turn in the waiver of liability and consent to treat forms as well as a copy of your child's birth certificate.

Watch for more information in the upcoming weeks on the NBAHA website and in our weekly news letter.

Power Play Fundraiser Less than 2 months away!

Silent and Live Auction Items Needed

It is hard to believe but Power Play is less than 2 months away and the planning for the event has started. We are in need of donations to make the event a success.

Would your employer be interested in contributing a silent or live auction item for our Power Play fundraising event? Are you willing to donate an item to the silent auction item?

Area businesses have been contacted for donations for the silent and live auction. We are still in need of many more donations to make the event a huge success. Even if you don't work in the area, your employer may be willing to donate money or items that will help raise funds to build an arena.

A few ideas:

Do you quilt, crochet blankets, stamp or scrapbook, make candles, do bead work, build bird houses, or any number of things? Do you make jams, jellies, or salsa? Do you have Wild, Timberwolves, or Gopher tickets, that you would be willing to donate? Do you own your own business and have products you would be willing to donate, such as Tastefully Simple, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, or Party Lite? Are you willing to donate an item or two to the association for the silent auction?

If you work in a service industry such as a restaurant, beauty salon or gas station, maybe a gift certificate could be donated by your employer. If you work at a large corporation, maybe they have promotional items they can donate or event tickets. If your employer manufactures products, maybe a product donation could be made.

It only takes a couple minutes of your time and a little courage to ask for a donation. The benefit of taking the time could bring the association closer to building an arena for our kids.

Please contact Janelle at (763) 443-6575 or fundraising@northbranchhockey.com to arrange for pickup or drop off of donated items.

Volunteers

Thanks to everyone who worked at Stacy Daze and the Almelund Threshing Show and to all who participated in the parades this summer. We couldn't participate in these events without your help.

Volunteer Needed to Paint Signs

Would you be willing to paint some signs? I am looking for someone to hand paint or stencil/paint sign boards to be used around town to advertise Hockey Registration as well as Learn to Skate. We would like to have these done within the next couple of weeks so we can setup around town prior to school open houses. If you are interested, contact Lisa at publicity@northbranchhockey.com. You will receive a service credit.

Volunteers Needed!

To volunteer, sign up on Dibs at 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. If you have any questions on Dibs, contact Lisa at publicity@northbranchhockey.com.

Volunteers are still needed for the following events:

Hay Days – September 11th and 12th - \$25 fundraising credit per family/per shift

North Branch Kids Carnival – September 18th

Fall Harvest Festival – September 15th - \$25 fundraising credit per family/per shift

Hockey Information

Monday's on Ice –

Don't forget to email Tim Cashill at president@northbranchhockey.com and indicate if your skater(s) would be interested in participating in this program. For more information review [8/2/2010 Newsletter](#).

Equipment Swap –

Our 2010 – 2011 hockey season will be starting soon, it's time to check your skaters equipment and if it doesn't fit think about putting it on website or check out other used equipment. Check out the [Equipment Swap](#) page on our website. If you have equipment you are looking to sell or are looking for equipment this is the place to start!

Coaches –

Coaching clinic dates have been posted at www.usahockey.com. These classes fill up quickly so please register ASAP if you need to be certified or need to renew your certification. Questions, contact Tom at 651-277-0160.

A new coaching clinic for Level one has been posted on USA Hockey...

Level One (1)

Saturday – October 9th, Eagan

8:00am registration – clinic will run until 2:00pm