



North Branch Area Hockey Association Viking Hockey News – 9/07/2010



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

Arena Update

The grant committee was able to successfully submit a grant application for the Pepsi Refresh Everything Grant on September 1st. We submitted a grant for \$250,000 for the Stacy Sports Complex. Our application is currently under review and we should know on or before October 1st if it is approved. Once approved, we will need you, your family and friends and the community to vote daily during the month of October for our project. This is a vote based grant and in order to win the \$250,000 we need to have the most votes during that month. Watch for more news on this!

Upcoming Meetings & Important Dates – see website for more details on each

- 9/11 & 9/12** – Hay Days
 - 9/18** – NB Kids Carnival
 - 9/19** – Fall Adopt a Highway
 - 9/22** – Traveling Skater Registration Deadline
 - 9/24** – Traveling Skater Preskates
 - 9/25** – Fall Harvest Festival
 - 9/28** – Mite Night
 - 9/28** – Mandatory Fundraiser Turn In
 - 9/29** – Membership/Board Meeting
 - 10/1, 10/2, 10/3** – Squirt and Peewee Tryouts
 - 10/9** – Power Play Fundraising Event - Must be 18+ to Attend!
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Become a fan of North Branch Area Hockey Association on Facebook

North Branch Area Hockey Association is on Facebook! Become a fan and stay up to date on the progress of the Stacy Sports Complex and learn more about grant opportunities that we need our fans support to secure!

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. New families don't have a service requirement. The majority of the credits available occur prior to the season starting, so if you still need to complete your credits check out the volunteer opportunities soon. 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.

Power Play Donation Request Follow-up Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to follow-up with businesses that have been sent donation request letters for Power Play. Volunteers will receive a list of 10 businesses to contact. For each 10 businesses contacted, the volunteer will receive 1 service credit.

Volunteers are still needed for the following events:

Hay Days – September 11th and 12th - \$25 fundraising credit per family/per shift – 4 families still needed

North Branch Kids Carnival – September 18th – 6 families still needed

Fall Adopt a Highway – September 19th – 8 families still needed – need one family to be in charge of event

Fall Harvest Festival – September 25th - \$25 fundraising credit per family/per shift – 3 families still needed

Mite Night - September 28th – 16 families needed

Mandatory Fundraiser Turn In – September 28th– 5 families needed

Mandatory Fundraising for Returning Families – Must complete by 9/28

If you haven't picked up your materials yet – Contact Janelle

If you are a returning family and haven't picked up your fundraising materials yet, contact Janelle at fundraising@northbranchhockey.com or (763) 443-6575 ASAP. Fundraising turn-in is 9/28 for the gambling and non gambling options. If you don't pick up materials by 9/20 you will be required to select one of the non gambling fundraising options and your \$200 deposit check will be cashed immediately.

New families to NBAHA aren't required to complete the fundraising requirement, but if you are interested in helping raise funds for the Stacy Sports Complex we would appreciate the help. As well, we encourage you to attend our Power Play fundraising event on October 9th at Lent Town Hall. Proceeds from this event also go towards the Stacy Sports Complex. Tickets are \$20 a piece and include dinner, live and silent auction, paddle wheel and dance.

For mandatory registration fundraiser details go to [Mandatory Registration Fundraiser Information](#).

North Branch Area Hockey Association,

The Fabini family wants to thank all the wonderful people for their thoughts and prayers. The money that we have received will be used to purchase a memorial bench in Alesa's name. It will be placed in the park where she grew up; Nekoosa, Wisconsin. Also when North Branch hockey arena is built we will add some type of bench in honor of her memory.

Thanks

Mike, Joe and Luke



On line registration

On line registration is available at northbranchhockey.com and is mandatory this year. You will first register your skater with USA Hockey (link provided through NBAHA website) you will then need that confirmation number to proceed with online registration for North Branch hockey.

- You will need a credit/debit card to pay for the USA/MN Hockey fees on line. The cost is \$40 for skaters with birth year 2004 or earlier. There is no cost for the younger skaters.
- You will have several options for paying for your NBAHA portion of the fees.
 - Pay in full on-line with credit/debit card or PayPal
 - Pay 3 equal installments on-line with your credit/debit card or Paypal. 1st installment due at checkout, 2nd installment will be automatically charged to your card on Nov 30th, 3rd installment on Dec 30th. (*this option is only available for Bantam, Peewee, and Squirt levels.*)
 - Pay in full by mail to **NBAHA, Box 541, North Branch, MN 55056.**
 - Pay 3 equal installments by mail. 1st installment due by Aug 30th, 2nd on Nov 30th, 3rd installment on Dec 30th. (*this option is only available for Bantam, Peewee, and Squirt levels.*)
 - **All Mites** will register under "Mites" if placed on an upper level Mite team after evaluations you will then need to pay the additional \$485 either in full by Nov 30th or 2 equal installment on Nov 30th and Dec 30th. You will have the option of paying on-line as well at that time.

We must have the Waiver of Liability and Consent to Treat forms turned in before your child will be allowed on the ice for Pre Skates, Tryouts or Evaluations. If you are new to the association you will also need to mail in a copy of your child's birth certificate. You may mail them to **NBAHA, Box 541, North Branch, MN 55056,**

If you have not yet picked up your fundraising materials, contact Janelle at fundraising@northbranchhockey.com. **All returning families** must turn in fundraising materials to Janelle on or before Sept 28th.

Fees for the 2010- 2011 Season

USA/MN Hockey Registration fee for Birth Year 2004 and older is \$40

NBAHA 2010-2011 season fee

- Mites/U8 \$40
- Upper Level Mites \$525
- Squirts \$960
- Peewees \$1060
- Bantams \$300 (registration fee only)

(This is the NBAHA portion of fees, does not include the USA Hockey fees.)

Registration deadline for Traveling skaters is Wednesday Sept. 22nd.

Registration deadline for returning Mites is Wednesday Oct 27th.

All outstanding balances must be paid before your registration will be accepted for the 2010-2011 season.

Hockey Information

Check out Minnesota Hockey's HEP (Hockey Education Program) newsletter

This newsletter contains information on many areas of hockey volunteering, skill development, coaching, on checking recreational leagues, etc. It is well worth the time to check it out!

[Minnesota Hockey HEP Newsletter](#)

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 couple 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

Level One

Sunday, December 19th Isanti arena

Watch for more details – assume the time will be 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Interested in being an on ice official?

The 2010-2011 registration process is under way for USA Hockey on ice officials. This means that any of your youth players that wish to officiate in the house leagues for the upcoming season need to register on line with USA Hockey and register for and attend an **all day** USA Hockey seminar. Registration for officials is done at www.usahockey.com and is a self guided process.

Seminars that will be conducted in District 10;

Level 1 - Saturday October 2 - 9:00am Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Level 1 - Sunday October 10 - 9:00am Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Level 2 - Saturday October 9 - 9:00am Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Level 2 - Saturday October 16 - 9:00am Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Level 3 - Sunday September 19 - 9:00am Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Level 3 - Tuesday, October 5 - 6:00pm Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN

Additional seminars are held throughout the state of Minnesota. An official can attend any level appropriate seminar in the state to become a registered official. Additional seminars can be found at www.mhoa.us. From the main page click on the *Minnesota Seminars* link on the left side of the page.

Please remember that seminars are an **all day** activity. Officials should be on time and expected to stay until seminar completion, typically around 4:00pm. Officials should bring their own lunch. **All officials attending a level 1 and level 2 seminar should have skates and a helmet for the on ice portion of the seminar.**

For any questions please contact, Dave Weisjahn, Supervisor of Officials - District 10, d10supoff@gmail.com, (763) 767-0666.