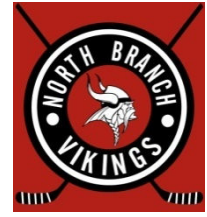




**North Branch Area Hockey Association  
Viking Hockey News – 9/14/2010**



**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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**Volunteers Needed!**

**Do you have your 4 service requirement completed?**

We are in need of help this weekend at the North Branch Kids Carnival on 9/18 and Fall Adopt a Highway on 9/19 starting at 4 pm after the Vikings Game!!!!

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**Arena Update**



**Stacy Sports Complex Site Mowed on 9/11/2010  
Another Small Step to Making our Dream a Reality!**

On Saturday, 9/11/2010, a group of volunteers met at the Stacy Sports Complex site to begin the first step in preparing the ground for construction. Thank you to everyone who helped mow!

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**NBAHA Friday Hockey Spirit Days!**

Skaters - remember to wear your NBAHA hockey jersey or apparel to school on Friday's this year to show your NBAHA Hockey Spirit. We will also be selling NBAHA temporary tattoos at upcoming events. The price is 4 for \$1. Wear your tattoo with your apparel to school on Friday's. Start showing your spirit this Friday!

See attached flyer!

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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!

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

- 9/18** – NB Kids Carnival
- 9/19** – Fall Adopt a Highway
- 9/22** – Traveling Skater Registration Deadline
- 9/24** – Traveling Skater Pre-skates
- 9/24** – Traveling Skater Parent Meeting during pre-skate sessions
- 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
- 10/2** – Girl Scout/U8 Skating Party
- 10/2** – RSVP by today for Power Play Fundraiser – with a count for food!
- 10/9** – Power Play Fundraising Event - Must be 18+ to Attend!

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## **Traveling Skater Parent Meeting – 9/24 during pre-skate sessions**

Traveling Skater parents, please plan on attending a parent meeting on 9/24 during your skaters pre-skate session. During this meeting the tryout committee and board will cover tryout policies and procedures and other important information regarding the upcoming season. This will be a great time for questions and answers.

## **Pre-Skate Dates/Times**

Pre-skates are a time for skaters to hit the ice and warm up for upcoming tryouts. Skaters will be taken through drills and scrimmages that will be conducted during tryouts. You are not required to attend pre-skates.

- 1<sup>st</sup> year Squirts – 6:10 to 7:10 pm – Chisago Lakes Arena
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year Squirts – 7:20 to 8:20 pm – Chisago Lakes Arena
- PeeWee - 8:30 to 9:30 pm – Chisago Lakes Arena

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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. New families don't have a service requirement. **Bantam skaters who are being waived to another association this year are required to complete the NBAHA service requirement and not the other association.** 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](mailto:publicity@northbranchhockey.com).

### Volunteers are still needed for the following events:

North Branch Kids Carnival – September 18th – 3 people still needed

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

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

Mite Night - September 28th – 11 people needed

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

Girl Scout Skating Party – October 2<sup>nd</sup> – 10 people needed

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## 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](mailto: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.

Bantam skaters are required to complete the NBAHA fundraising and service requirements, even though you are being waived to another association to play this year. We will coordinate with the other association to ensure you aren't required to complete this with their association.

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 9<sup>th</sup> 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](#).

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## On line registration

On line registration is available at [northbranchhockey.com](http://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](mailto: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
- Pewees \$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 27<sup>th</sup>.**

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

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## Hockey Information

### Minnesota Hockey HEP Newsletter –

A new issue of the Minnesota Hockey HEP Newsletter is now available at [Minnesota Hockey HEP Newsletter](#). This article contains information on the following.

Coaches: Coaching Education Program Information

Minnesota Wild: Let's Play Hockey Equipment Drive

Team Building Tip: Am I a Coach or a Parent?

Coaches: Goalie Coaching Workshops and Clinics Offered This Fall

Volunteers: 10 Ways to Prevent Burnout

Associations: Locker Room Supervision Policy

Development: New Video for Dave Peterson Advanced Goalie Camp

Minnesota Hockey: 2010-2011 Handbook Update Available

USA Hockey: The ABCs of the ADM

### Coaches –

Coaching clinic dates have been posted at [www.usahockey.com](http://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.