


<p><i>11th Annual</i></p> <p>2012 NAHA LABOR DAY TOURNAMENT</p>	<p>Tournament organized by:</p> <p>NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY ACADEMY 3866 VT Rte 242 Jay VT 05859 USA Ph. 802-988-9800 ♦ jessedriscoll@winter.hawks.org www.winter-hawks.org</p>	
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Date: August 31- Sept 2, 2012
Location: Gutterson Field House at The University of Vermont, Cairns Twin Rinks- Burlington Vermont
U19/Intermediate Division (24 teams); U16/Midget Division (12 teams).

Information:

- This tournament will be the most competitive early season tournament, kicking off the 2012 college recruiting season. Teams will be accepted based on the quality of the team. Again this year we are limiting the field at the U19 and U16 levels to raise the quality of play in the tournament. If you are putting together a team for this tournament or a new team, please provide information on the players, team and other information that will help us assess the quality of the team.
- **Returning Teams:** Teams who participated in the 2011 tournament and have been invited to return, must confirm by March 1; after that date teams will be accepted until the tournament is full.
- Unique format allows teams to play many teams during the tournament in high paced games, perfect for early season play, and with the endorsement of all the college coaches. All teams are guaranteed 6 games; 7 for those in the finals. Semi finals and consolation games on Sunday. You should plan on being in VT on Thursday eve, as games start first thing Friday morning; games will conclude by 2PM on Sunday.
- Teams interested in arriving a day (or more) early can obtain practice ice time at the University of Vermont by contacting rinkscheduling@uvm.edu or Cairns Arena 802-658-5577. There are also other area rinks.
- Rosters and schedules distributed to college coaches for recruiting. **Over 100 college scouts representing over 60 colleges attended last year,** representing every major DI and DIII college and every conference.
- Gold and Bronze Medal Games; team and individual awards. Prizes and other fun!!
- Located on the shores of Lake Champlain, Burlington has a lot to offer for the family, including enjoying the waterfront, downtown shopping on the open Church Street Marketplace, tours at Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream, museums and more. For more info on the area: <http://www.vermont.org>
- Close proximity to area colleges for visits: The University of Vermont, Middlebury, Dartmouth, St. Michael's, Plattsburgh State are all within an hour, and many are much less. A little further: Williams, New England College, Potsdam, Clarkson, Union, RPI, Castleton State, St. Lawrence, St. Anselm, University of New Hampshire.

Fee & Register: \$1800.00; a \$900 deposit is payable with team registration the balance due June 1. Registration is enclosed, and must be accompanied by payment in order for your team to be considered/accepted. Teams not accepted will have checks returned. If your roster is not set, you may submit a provisional registration.

Hotels: Will be determined and information will be posted on our website! Teams must stay in the tournament hotels or pay an additional fee.

Travel: Burlington is 1.5 hours directly south of Montreal, 2 hrs. from Manchester NH, 3.5 hours from Boston. Burlington Airport is served by Continental, Delta, JetBlue, Northwest, United and US Air.

We hope you'll join us for a great weekend. If I can help, or answer any questions, call or email anytime. Please respond promptly should you wish to participate.

Best,



Please find Registration and Roster form attached. Complete and forward with payment.

We hope you will join us for a weekend of competitive hockey, good sportsmanship and fun!

**Kickoff weekend for the 2011 Season & the US College
Recruiting Season—the Best Recruiting Event of the Summer!**

2011 Teams: U19: Alberta Storm – Assabet (MA) – CT Polar Bears (CT) – Little Ceasars (MI) – MN Ice Cats – MN Jr. Whitecaps – Pacific Steelers (BC) – WA Pride (DC) – Pittsburgh Penguins – Boston Shamrocks – NAHA White (VT) – MA Spitfires – Buffalo Bison– Chicago Mission – Ontario Hockey Academy – Ottawa Senators – Edge School (Alberta) – Colorado Select – Bluewater – Pursuit of Excellence (B) – MN Northern Starzz – Colorado Select – East Coast Wizards – Honeybaked (MI) – Stoney Creek Sabres (IN)

U17: NAHA Red – Assabet – Little Ceasars – Alberta Storm – MN Whitecaps – CT Polar Bears – Futures (VT) – Colorado Select –Ottawa Senator– MA Spitfires