



# Huskies Headlines

July 2011

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## Club Calendar:

Summer Clinics begin	July 11
Fall Walk In Reg	July 27
Huskies BOD Mtg	Aug 2
Fall Walk In Reg	Aug 6
Total Hockey Discount Days	Aug 6-7
Used Equip Sale	Aug 17-18
Huskies Boot Camp	Aug 29-31
Fall Tryouts	Sep 1-4
Fall Contract Signing	Sep 10

## President's Hello

Summer is here!! I hope everyone has enjoyed some time off and was able to "get away from it all." For those of you that have not been to IIC in the last couple of weeks, you will notice some changes. The old ice sheets have been replaced and new paint on the ice surfaces has been completed. New signage, both inside and out will also be visible in the near future. A new message board software system has been installed for the rink schedules and the rink names were changed to Rink 1 (formerly European), Rink 2 (formerly American) and Rink 3 (formerly Canadian).

We want to welcome our new ownership, Canlan Ice Sports, to Romeoville and thank them for all of the hard work they have put into the rink thus far, making it a better place for all of us. It is shaping up to be a great partnership.

There are many upcoming and ongoing events including the Summer Clinics, Used Equipment Sale, 3-day Boot Camp, Fall Travel Tryouts, Welcome Back BBQ and more, please take the time to browse through the newsletter to catch up and make note of important dates.

See you at the rink!!

**Go Huskies!!**

Bob Graham – HHC President

## Huskies Discount Days at Total Hockey

Total Hockey of Downers Grove will be hosting "Huskies Discount Days" at the store on Saturday Aug 6 from 10am-6pm and Sunday Aug 7 from 11am-5pm. Bring in your Breakaway Discount Cards and save 10% on your entire purchase on these two days. You also earn breakaway points, which earn you future discounts and you help to support the Huskies Hockey Club all at the same time!! *This event is open to all Fall 2010-2011 and Spring 2011 Huskies Travel rostered players.*



## Summer Volunteer Opportunities

The Huskies Summer Volunteer Program kicked off in May at the Chicagoland Speedway, Arlington Race Track and the Joliet Slammers baseball field. Opportunities to help pay for fall fees for the 2011-2012 season are NOW available. Check the ***VOLUNTEERING*** page on our Huskies website for the most up-to-date information and schedules. The volunteer schedules for each event are posted online. Sign up by contacting Beth Hippman or Jennifer Manno (below). Spots fill up very quickly so please contact them ASAP. DIBS will no longer be used.

For any questions, further information or to sign up for volunteering please contact:

**Beth Hippman** at 630-747-4068 or [bhippman@ballyfitness.com](mailto:bhippman@ballyfitness.com)

**Jennifer Manno** at 815-546-1367 or [sjymanno@comcast.net](mailto:sjymanno@comcast.net)

Before you volunteer.....

For those who want to work at these volunteer events and pay for your fall hockey fees you must take an Alcohol Training Class. This can now be done through the Huskies Hockey Club website!!

Go to [www.huskieshockeyclub.com](http://www.huskieshockeyclub.com) and click on the ***VOLUNTEERING*** page in the left margin. On the ***Volunteering*** page click on **ALCOHOL TEST** in the left margin. This page contains the Alcohol Training Test Information and the link to take the test. Read the directions and then click on the link to the test. It will take just a few minutes to take the test and then you are all set to work at any of the three venues for the summer.

While working at these venues, you will earn money towards your fall travel or house league fees. In addition, you also get cash tips. With fall registration coming up and first fees due in September, now is the time to start paying down the fees and enjoying the great weather that is finally among us!!

Look for BIG events at these various venues coming up. Keep checking our website at [www.huskieshockeyclub.com](http://www.huskieshockeyclub.com) and go to the ***VOLUNTEERING*** page.

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### **NEW UPCOMING EVENT: NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES WEEKEND**

September 16-18<sup>th</sup>

50-75 Volunteers Needed

Work in VIP Suites & Beer Tents

Look for more info to come.....

## *Used Equipment Sale*

The *Huskies 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Used Equipment Sale* will take place again this year on

*Wednesday August 17 from 6:30-9:30pm*

*and*

*Thursday August 18 from 5:00-7:30pm*

in the mezzanine level. The sale is held in order to give people the opportunity to sell and buy slightly used hockey equipment at reasonable prices. Those who donate items to the sale can receive 100% of their sold items price off of their fall hockey fees OR 70% of their sold items price in cash. The credit can go towards fall house or travel fees. Items we have had in the past are hockey skates, hockey pants, goalie pads, roller blades, elbow pads, chest protectors, helmets and many others.

This year we will sell our past Huskies jerseys for \$10 and travel socks for \$5/pair. We will also have our NEW “light up” car decals for sale at \$20 each.

To donate items to the sale we will have two **Drop-Off dates** on

*Monday August 15 from 7:00-9:00pm*

*Tuesday August 16 from 5:00-7:00pm*

Anyone can donate items to the sale, or buy items at the sale; it is not exclusive to Huskies families.

The more items donated, the more options people have to buy equipment at a reasonable price.

If you have any questions about the Equipment Sale please feel free to call any of the following Huskies Board Members:

**Nikki Ommen 630-816-7273**

**Christina Trombley 815-483-4300**

**Scott Rutledge 630-606-7735**

*Thank you for helping to support your Huskies Hockey Club!!*

## *New Fall Jerseys to be Unveiled*

The Huskies Hockey Club is very excited to unveil our new Home and Away RBK jerseys for the 2011/2012 season. Photos will be on our website soon for you to take a sneak peak. If you did not size your skater with Total Hockey during the spring season please watch the website for the next jersey sizing date this summer.

## *New "Light Up" Huskies Car Decals*

Along with new uniforms the Huskies Hockey Club will be releasing new car stickers AND new car light-up decals. Look for these to be sold at upcoming events over the next few weeks. The car stickers and light up decals will both have the vintage old dog logo on them that was used on our spring 2011 jerseys. Both turned out great and we are excited to see these new items cruising around the area.

## *Huskies on-line Survey – Please take part*

In youth hockey things are always changing with the intent of making the sport better and the Huskies Hockey Club wants to ensure that we have programs that best meet your needs and wants without sacrificing development. We have developed an on-line survey to gather your opinions and ask for ideas to help mold the future of this hockey club. We also want to know how we are doing in specific areas and this survey will help us do just that. The survey will take less than ten minutes of your time, but will provide us with invaluable feedback when making decisions about the future direction of the club.

**Survey link:** <http://kwiksurveys.com?u=huskieshockeyclub>

Thank you for supporting the Huskies Hockey Club and taking time to share your ideas and opinions with us. We appreciate and always welcome your input.

# Fall 2011 USA Hockey Rule Change (PeeWee)

## Standard of Play and Rules Emphasis – Body Checking

Through the standard of rules enforcement, our game will continue to allow the opportunity for improved skill development and a more positive hockey environment for all participants. The mission of USA Hockey is clear; through this new initiative a greater emphasis will be placed on skating, puck possession and the proper use of the body to establish position and legally gain a competitive advantage.

The goal of this enforcement standard is to create an environment that enhances player skill development by reducing intimidating infractions designed to punish the opponent. This standard is designed to improve the proper skill of legal body checking or contact at all levels of play while not removing the physical component from the game. A hard body check or using body contact/position (non-checking classifications) to gain a competitive advantage over the opponent should not be penalized as long as it is performed within the rules. The focus of the body check shall be to separate the opponent from the puck.

The principles of this body checking enforcement standard include the following:

- The purpose of a body check is to separate the opponent from the puck.
- Only the trunk (hips to shoulders) of the body shall be used to deliver a body check.
- The check must be delivered to the trunk (hips to shoulders) and directly from in front or the side of the opponent.
- Players who use their physical skills and/or anticipation and have a positional advantage shall not lose that advantage provided they use their body to check the opponent within the rules.
- Players will be held accountable for acts of an intimidating or dangerous nature.

**Enforcement Standard – The following penalties are to be called with very strict enforcement.**

### **BODY CHECKING (Non-Checking Classifications)**

A player cannot deliver a body check to any player while participating in a non-checking classification.

Examples include:

- makes deliberate physical contact with an opponent with no effort to legally play the puck
- uses overt hip, shoulder or arm contact with the opponent to physically force them off the puck
- physically impedes the progress of the opponent with hips, shoulders or torso without establishing legal body contact and having no intent of playing the puck

## Bantam/Midget

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Off-Sides

Allows for delayed off-sides with “tag-up” option to be used in the Youth and Girls 14-&-Under age classifications and older.

## Fall 2011 Registration

### Fall 2011-2012 Information Released

Travel Registration Information and Fall Fees are now posted on our Huskies website for your review and to register. Visit

[www.huskieshockeyclub.com](http://www.huskieshockeyclub.com)

#### Walk-in Registrations:

Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:30pm

Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-noon

**Welcome Back!!**

### Huskies Hockey Club

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*Go Huskies*

Visit our website at:  
[huskieshockeyclub.com](http://huskieshockeyclub.com)



Since 1969, the **Huskies Hockey Club** has been committed to growing and developing youth hockey in the Chicago area and bringing the wonderful game of hockey to as many children as possible. Our philosophy has been to offer a progression of youth programs that satisfies every level of hockey skill and interest.

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