



Huskies Headlines

September 2011

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President's Hello

Happy Hockey Season!! The fall season is here and I hope all of you had a wonderful summer.

There are many events coming up this month to coincide with our 3 day boot camp and tryouts. Our **Welcome Back party** will take place during contract signing on Saturday, September 10th and I hope everyone can attend. There will be an opportunity to meet your team(s) and enjoy some food and drinks. Raffles will also take place this year for some fun prizes. A new event planned this year is an **Oktoberfest** on Saturday October 22nd. We will be opening this event up to our membership's adult family and friends. A silent auction will also take place, so donations are appreciated.

Also, the Chicagoland Speedway has requested that our club participate at the **NASCAR Sprint Cup Series** September 16th-18th to work at their VIP tents, Suites and Skyboxes and the Miller Oasis. This is the first time we have been extended this invitation because of the commitment our volunteers have shown in the past. Each day 50-75 volunteers will be needed. More information is listed on pages 2-3.

Finally in brief, there have been some USA Hockey rule changes this year, checking moved to the Bantam level and tag up offsides will also be introduced at the Bantam level and above. For more information on these and other rule changes this season, visit www.usahockey.com.

On behalf of the Huskies Board of Directors we wish you all a fun and rewarding fall season.

See you at the rink!!

Go Huskies!!

Bob Graham – HHC President

Club Calendar:

Huskies Boot Camp	Aug 29-31
Fall Tryouts	Sep 1-3
1 st Mgr Meeting	Sep 8
Fall Contract Signing	Sep 10
Welcome Back Party	Sep 10
Volunteer Days @ Speedway	Sep 16-18
NIHL Seeding Scheduling	Sep 17
NIHL Seeding Games begin	Sep 19



Summer Volunteer Opportunities

The Huskies Summer Volunteer Program is wrapping up 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 about to come to end this season. 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.

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

Beth Hippman at 630-747-4068 or bhippman@ballyfitness.com

Jennifer Manno at 815-546-1367 or sjvmanno@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 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 remainder of the summer.

While working at these venues, you will earn money toward your fall travel or house league fees. In addition, you also get cash tips. With fall registration upon us and first fees due in September, now is the time to start paying down the fees and enjoying the great weather that will hopefully stick around through September.

NEW UPCOMING EVENT: NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES WEEKEND

September 16th-18th

50-75 Volunteers needed per day!

Work in VIP Suites & Beer Tents

More info on the next page..

NASCAR Sprint Cup

Huskies Volunteer Day at Chicagoland Speedway

NASCAR Sprint Cup Weekend at the Chicagoland Speedway needs Huskies volunteers for Friday—Sunday, September 16th, 17th & 18th.

50-75 volunteers are needed each day to work this weekend. Sign up early and pick your day(s) to work!



Highlights

- Volunteers will work in the VIP Tents, Sky Boxes/ Suites & Miller Oasis
- Help pay for fall fees
- Earn cash tips
- Pick when you want to work

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Contact person: Beth Hippman 630-747-4068 bhippman@ballyfitness.com OR
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Fall Jerseys and Warm-ups

Our last fall jersey sizing will take place during tryouts on September 1st and 2nd. Huskies warm-ups will also be available for sizing and ordering. If you haven't done this already please make sure you do this right away because the orders will be placed immediately following the tryouts. All players will be sized in case coaches make new warm ups part of their fall uniforms.

New "Light Up" Huskies Car Decals

Along with new uniforms the Huskies Hockey Club debuted new car stickers AND new car light-up decals. These will be sold at tryouts and the Welcome Back Open House in September. The car stickers and light up decals will both have the vintage logo 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

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. We had 114 people respond to this survey which was phenomenal!! The Board of Directors has been reviewing the data to assist in the planning of future events and other items for the club. They are also looking at how to provide feedback on some of the comments received in various sections. (Since the survey was anonymous we can't respond to you individually). Look for more information on our website or facebook in the near future. Thank you again to everyone who took part in this survey.

Coaches & Officials

ALL HUSKIES COACHES!!

The 2011/2012 Coaching clinic dates have been set. They will be running from September 17th through November 13th this year on various weekends.

Registration is being done on-line ONLY at www.usahockey.com

A complete listing of dates and times is located under the *For Coaches* tab on the left margin of the Huskies website www.huskieshockeyclub.com

ALL OFFICIALS!!

The 2011-2012 Officiating Seminars have been released and begin on September 26th and run through February 15th 2012.

Registration is now open and is on-line ONLY at www.ihoa.com. Detailed information is also available on the IHOA website.

Are you looking for a quick-glance calendar for all Huskies events in one place? With so many new and exciting events coming up, we have an easy solution to find out when and where these events are taking place!

Look no further...the Huskies website is updated with all new and upcoming events almost daily. This includes summer clinics, fall conditioning camps, fall tryouts, town hall meetings, open houses, volunteer events and many others.....

Go to www.huskieshockeyclub.com and click on *Club Events* in the left margin for a calendar and current upcoming events. Under the weekly calendar, select *View All*. Pick the month to view and everything is right there for you. For the newsletter on-line click on the *Newsletter* tab in the left hand margin.

AHAI College Prep Seminar

AHAI has announced its "Hockey After High School" College Preparatory Seminar to be held:

Monday October 17, 2011

7:00 pm

at the

Woodfield Hyatt Hotel

1800 East Golf Road, Schaumburg, IL 60173 (847) 605-1234

Players must register on-line at www.ahai.org beginning September 15th. This is mandatory for all players (male & female) born in 1997 or earlier who have not attended a "College Night" in the past.

Additional information can be found on the Huskies website at www.huskieshockeyclub.com by clicking on the *AHAI Info* tab on the left hand margin.

Used Equipment Sale

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Huskies 3rd Annual Used Equipment Sale. The club sold “gently” used hockey equipment, donated by our members, to help pay for fall fees and was also a small fundraiser for the club. Our new lighted car decals were unveiled and last year’s Huskies jerseys and socks were also for sale.

Equipment that was not sold or picked up at the end of the sale were donated to the *Hockey Is For Everyone* charity for children who want to play hockey but cannot afford the equipment. Lots of skates, helmets, pads, pants and goalie equipment were donated. The organization was thrilled to receive the equipment and will put it all to good use. It is great to see our membership donating to such a good organization to help spread the love of hockey to others who couldn’t otherwise participate.

Important Dates (Aug-Oct)

Dates to remember are listed below and are also on our Huskies website calendar for your convenience.

Mon-Wed August 29-31

Huskies Boot Camp

Thur-Sat September 1-3

Huskies Fall Travel Tryouts

Thur September 8

First Fall Manager’s Meeting

Sat September 10

Mandatory Contract Signing & Welcome Back Party

Fri-Sun September 16-18

Huskies Volunteer Day @ Chicagoland Speedway (flyer on page 3)

Sat September 17

NIHL Scheduling Meeting in Schaumburg

Mon September 19

NIHL Seeding Round Games begin

Mon October 17

Huskies Team & Individual Picture Day (Team Picture Schedules TBD) & AHAI College Prep Seminar

Sat October 22

Oktoberfest Event (more info coming soon...)

Sat October 29

NIHL Seeding Round Games completed

Fall Team Managers Needed

The fall teams will soon be decided and the most important position of all will also need to be filled: *the team manager*. This position takes some work, but is very rewarding.

The first manager's meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 8 at 7:00pm** in the rink's party room. It is always a good idea to have a manager right away when a team is selected, so they can assist in getting the uniforms lettered and distributed. In addition, all the new season's forms will need to be completed and gathered from the parents, and rosters signed by all the players and coaching staff. The scheduling meeting for the NIHL seeding round takes place on Saturday, September 17.

If you have any questions about being a manager or specific team manager responsibilities, please feel free to contact Manager Liaison, Michele Payne at snbrpayne@comcast.net.

Huskies Board of Directors

Your 2011-2012 Huskies Board of Directors are.....

President – Bob Graham
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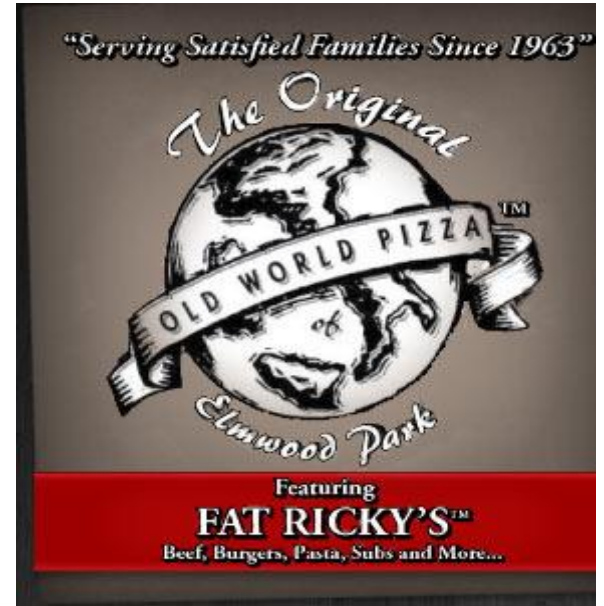
If you EVER have any questions, comments, suggestions or need clarification on anything, please see one of the directors listed above. Each director can be found on our website, under the tab **Board**, along the top of the home page. Each director's main responsibilities are listed for you to easily direct concerns to a specific member; otherwise any director can be approached for general information.

On behalf of the entire Huskies Board, WELCOME to the Huskies Hockey Club, we hope you have a fantastic fall season!!

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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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To submit articles, pictures, recognitions or suggested topics for this newsletter, please e-mail Nikki Ommen at nikki@huskieshockeyclub.com.