



North Branch Area Hockey Association  
Viking Hockey News – 09/14/2011



Remember to check [www.northbranchhockey.com](http://www.northbranchhockey.com) for more details on items below and for daily updates!

• **Upcoming Events – see website for more details on each:**

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| 9/16: Traveling Skater Registration Deadline                                     | 9/30: Fall Learn to Skate – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>  |
| 9/16: 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Youth Rec Night – <b>Cancelled</b> | 9/30: Traveling Skater Tryouts                        |
| 9/17: North Branch Kids Carnival – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>                      | 10/1: Traveling Skater Tryouts                        |
| 9/24: Fall Harvest Festival – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>                           | 10/1: Mite Registration Deadline                      |
| 9/24: Fall Learn to Skate – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>                             | 10/2: Traveling Skater Tryouts                        |
| 9/24: Traveling Skater Pre-skates  | 10/15: Mite Pre-skates                                |
| 9/25: Fall Adopt a Highway – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>                            | 10/16: Mite Pre-skates                                |
| 9/25: Traveling Skater Pre-skates  | 10/22: Mite Evaluations                               |
| 9/27: New Mite Skater Information Night – <b>Volunteers Needed</b>               | 10/22: Fall Learn to Skate – <b>Volunteers Needed</b> |
| 9/28: Summer Raffle Drawing, 6 pm at Oak Inn                                     | 10/23: Mite Evaluations                               |
| 9/28: NBAHA Membership/Board Meeting –   | 10/29: Fall Learn to Skate – <b>Volunteers Needed</b> |

• **Traveling Skater Registration Deadline this Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

- **Online Registration:** For detailed information on online registration, including registration deadlines, instructions and info on Mite Pre-skates/Evaluations & Traveling Pre-skates/Tryouts visit <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107343-registration>.

- **Service Requirement:** All returning families are required to complete 4 service credits from April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012. The complete service requirement policy is available at <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/160018-volunteers>. The majority of the volunteer opportunities for the season will be available over the next month, so check out Dibs soon to sign up. Keep checking Dibs for all opportunities available the next month as we are continually updating as information is available.

- **Earn 1 service credits per shift:**

- **North Branch Kids Carnival, Saturday, 9/17:** <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107349-north-branch-kid-s-carnival> (**Need 1 more volunteer!**)
- **Fall Harvest Festival, Saturday, 9/24:** <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107350-fall-harvest-festival> (**Need 7 more volunteers!**)
- **Learn to Skate On Ice Help Needed, 9/24 and future dates:** <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107353-fall-learn-to-skate> (**Need many volunteers!**)
- **Fall Adopt A Highway Sunday, 9/25:** <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107352-fall-adopt-a-highway>. (**Need 5 more volunteers!**)
- **Mite Night Tuesday, 9/27:** [http://www.northbranchhockey.com/news\\_article/show/101718?referrer\\_id=106499](http://www.northbranchhockey.com/news_article/show/101718?referrer_id=106499) (**Need 8 more volunteers!**)

- **Coaching Certification:** If you are planning to coach this year, USA hockey has made a number of changes to the coaching certification policy this year. Basically all coaching certificates are now expired. Everyone needs to attend a certification class if they plan to coach this coming year. Here are a couple of examples that will hopefully help you determine what you need to take to coach this year. If you currently hold a level 1 certification you should take level 2 certification this fall. If you currently hold a level 2 certification you should take level 3 certification this fall. If you are a new coach you need to take Level 1 certification. As well, you will need to take an online age appropriate module for each age level you will be coaching this year. Coaching certifications do not dictate the level that someone can coach any longer. Someone can coach a bantam team this year with a level 1 as long as they have completed the age appropriate module.

**THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT 10 CLINICS WILL GO ON-LINE at <http://usahockey.com/> on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH AT 4:00 PM.** All coaches should be near a computer and ready to go on-line at that time. There are only 50 available spots for coaches - NO walk-ups will be accepted.

- Clinic- Level 1, September 24th, hosted by Blaine at Fogerty Arena
- Clinic- Level 1, September 25th, hosted by Spring Lake Park at Fogerty Arena
- Clinic- Level 2. October 1st, hosted by Blaine at Fogerty Arena
- Clinic- Level 2, October 8th, hosted by Princeton at Princeton

Any head and assistant coaches selected for mite and traveling teams can submit receipts for training to [treasurer@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:treasurer@northbranchhockey.com) in order to be reimbursed.

If you have any questions, contact Ray at [coachingdiretor@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:coachingdiretor@northbranchhockey.com) or (651) 674-4104.

- **Baseline Concussion Screening**

We encourage all parents to have skaters ages 11 and up to have a baseline concussion screen done prior to the start of hockey season if you haven't had one done yet. Cambridge Medical Center provides ImPACT™ (Immediate Postconcussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing) to young people in the area. Baseline concussion screening is available to all youth, ages 11 through college-age for a nominal fee. More information is available at <http://www.cambridgemedicalcenter.com/ahs/cambridge.nsf/page/impact>. To register call 763-688-6427.

- **Open Hockey at Isanti Arena:**

- PeeWee & Bantam: Sept. 19th 5:50pm, Sept. 21st 6:00pm, Sept. 26th 5:50pm, Sept. 28th 5:50pm
- Squirt & 10U: Sept. 20th 7:00pm, Sept. 22nd 7:00pm, Sept. 27th 5:50pm, Sept. 29th 5:50pm
- Mite: Monday Sept 12th - Oct. 24th 4:00pm - 5:30pm every Monday

- **Equipment Swap:** Looking to get rid of old equipment or looking for used equipment? Visit <http://www.northbranchhockey.com/page/show/107750-equipment-swap> to see what is currently posted for sale. Contact Tim at [president@northbranchhockey.com](mailto:president@northbranchhockey.com) to have items for sale or items wanted posted on the site.

- **Forest Lake Skate & Cycle Cards:** Do you shop at Forest Lake Skate & Cycle. Sign up for their Club Card and earn 1% of every purchase for the association. For more details: [http://www.northbranchhockey.com/news\\_article/show/101750?referrer\\_id=106499](http://www.northbranchhockey.com/news_article/show/101750?referrer_id=106499).