



JANUARY 2011 NEWSLETTER

Player of the Month:

Congratulations:

11 Jared Connelly

Head Coach: Ed Pitts



Reason Coach Pitts has nominated & The CHA POM committee has selected

Jared as the player of the month:

Jared is a member of the CHA Squirt 1 Team. In five games in December Jared has logged 3 goals and two assists. This offensive production has come while he is playing defense. Jared is the ultimate team player and a leader on and off the ice. As a second year player Jared has demonstrated the maturity and poise that most coaches expect of second year players. His never quit attitude is on display game in and game out. Jared is the anchor of our defense and plays his position with heart and passion. Jared brings that same intensity to every practice as well. Jared's high level of play has enabled his teammates to also play at a higher level. Jared is a joy to coach and I feel fortunate to have him as a member of the Squirt 1 team this season.

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Upcoming Events:

Board Meeting 1/12/11

Ice Breaker Social 1/8/2011



SAVE THE DATE

January 8, 2011

Annual Ice Breaker Social at the Chelmsford Radisson Hotel

This is a great night out for the parents and friends of the Chelmsford Hockey Associations – adults only. Come out and eat, drink and socialize outside of the frozen tundra of the forum! The band Dawghouse will be providing the music, so you better be prepared to dance this year! Great current rock hits and your favorite classic rock tunes. You don't want to miss this!

Appetizers, fun, raffles, dancing, prize baskets

Tickets: pre-order: \$15.00 per person
\$25.00 per couple

Tickets at the door: \$20.00 per person

Live music featuring the band:

DAWGHOUSE!

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=56227476307&v=info>

http://www.myspace.com/dawghouse_band

Coaches Corner

*Tips from the Elementary
School Teacher*

Proper On Ice Body Position

When a hockey player on the other team is heading into your zone with the puck, your goal is to keep him to the outside towards the boards. His chances of scoring from the outside are far less than if he beats you on the inside. The best way to do this is with your body position. If the player is coming in down the middle of the ice, position yourself directly in front of him. Keep your stick active and moving so you can disrupt passing lanes.

Submitted By
25 Coach Pat McNerney



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Center Sports ~ \$25.00

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R&R Trophy & Awards ~ Player of the Month

Plaque

Thanks Ralph DiBacco

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Secretary@chelmsfordhockey.com



Chelmsford Team News

CHA Bantam 1s Tear up the Ice

The CHA Bantam 1s are skating off with the lead in their Valley League Blue North Division standings. Their overall season record of 18-1-4 includes a win in the District 9 Play-downs, earning the Lions a spot in the Massachusetts State Hockey Play-downs in March.

The Bantam 1s strong skating style has proven to be the key to their success. The ability to beat their opponents to the puck and also catch them on the back check, has lead this team to an impressive 99 goals scored for, with only 26 goals against. All seven forward skaters have contributed to this GF/GA statistic. Jason Arnaud and Derek Adamson lead the team in scoring, with Brian Robinson, Rachel Bossi, Sean Grant, Kevin Harrison and Jack Olson in a tight race for third.

The defensive pairings of Ben Canniff with Ryan Fahey and Kurtis Plateel with Ryan Ervin have played solid in front of goalie Chris Robinson. The defense consistently forces the play wide and clears the front of the net. Their big hits and puck control in the defensive end limit the opponent's scoring chances. Chris Robinson has come up with many big saves between the pipes on his way to earning 10 shut-outs.

The Bantam 1s hope to mirror their current success in 2011 by continuing their strong skating style and team play throughout the remainder of the season.

PEE WEE 2 Win Cornucopia Cup

The Chelmsford PW2's won the Annual Cornucopia Cup in Salem NH over the Thanksgiving Holiday. The Championship game ended in a tie; then after a scoreless overtime it went to a shoot-out where Chelmsford scored goals on three consecutive attempts (Derek Briand, Alec McPherson & Robbie Farrell) while John Barry was stopping three out of four Marblehead shots. Robbie Farrell was the hero scoring the tying goal with just over a minute left in regulation and then the deciding goal in the shoot-out. It was a total team effort as the PW2's got goals from 11 different players throughout the five game tournament and certainly made CHA proud.

The PW2's are an impressive 22-1-3 to date with a grit and determination that continues to amaze their Coaches. We start District Playdowns in mid January and then travel to the Berkshire School in early February for the Annual Jimmy Welch Tournament. Looking forward to those challenges as well!



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Chelmsford Hockey Association
PO Box 71
Chelmsford, MA 01824

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Fundraising Update

Ice Breaker Social

Tickets to the Ice Breaker Social are available from your Team Parents, or contact Diane Angwin at Fundraising@ChelmsfordHockey.com

Sears Raffle

Sears Appliance and Hardware at Drum Hill again donated an item for CHA to raffle. A patio fire pit was raffled, and CHA made about \$200. Please say hi to Store Manager Kevin McMaster the next time you are shopping there. Thanks to all the volunteers who sold raffle tickets!



Pictured from left: Jesse Staples Squirt 3, Emily DiBacco Girls U14, & Michael DiBacco Squirt 4

