



# ICE CHIPS

## News and Notes

### EHA BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the board is scheduled for Tuesday Nov. 5, 2002. It is held in the auditorium at Asnuntuck Community College. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm and are open to the public.

Our association meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. The floor is open for comments and questions.

### BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

The Booster Club has decided to let you the parents vote as to trophies or medals for the Instructional through Squirt divisions. We will be taking the poll on the Website at enfieldhockey.org. Please look for it and cast your vote.

Fundraiser cards have been distributed to all skaters. Please make sure to return them on time.

Pictures will be taken the weekend of Nov. 1, Nov. 2 and Nov. 3. Envelopes for the pictures will be coming soon. I will be contacting those of you who

As you all know we look for candid shots for the yearbook. Why wait until the last minute. Take pictures now. Starting after Christmas we will be looking to collect pictures and puck ads.

Volunteer Vouchers will be sent out shortly.

Come join us at our next meeting on November 20, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Enfield Twin Rinks.

**Reminder:** All Booster Club representatives need to attend the meetings.

## U-15 Lady Eagles Sharpen Talons

By Kate Murray

As the 2002 - 2003 Season opens, the U-15 Lady Eagles greeted familiar faces and welcomed new players to the fold. During this period of transition to TEAM the Lady Eagles have faced-off against mighty foes from established organizations. With each skate the Eagles are starting to gel and demonstrate their collective talent. This past weekend the Enfield hosted The Polar Bears at home and traveled to Boston to take on Charles River. Our opponents claimed victory with scores of 4-0 (Polar Bears) and 4-1 (Charles River). Though victory eluded the Eagles this past weekend, the squad remains focused and eager to win.

During the first period of Saturday's game (10/12/02) against Northford the Lady Eagles gave a strong performance. The first goal came three minutes into play, with the final goal achieved during the remaining three minutes of the period. Enfield placed more shots on net than Northford, but could not close to score. The second period ended Northford's scoring run, final goals came early at the 11 minute mark and late with only 1 minute remaining in the period. During the third period Enfield shutout all attempts on their net. At the final buzzer the score stood at 4-0, Northford.

Coaches Rossignol and Willard were pleased with the team's effort. They complimented goalie Caitlin McGunigle on her strong saves during the third period of the game. Defensively, Tara Walsh was noted for her consistent, aggressive play throughout the game. Offensively, Coach Rossignol noted the "in-your -face" play of Kristen Willard, Chelsea Cormier and Elyse Rossignol. Coach Ros noted "They took what the Bears were dishing out and never gave up." The Polar Bear's physical play did not deter these three from giving it their all. Coach Willard noted that "overall the Eagles maintained their defensive game, but the Bears beat us offensively." These lessons learned will serve the Lady Eagles on future Bear hunts. (continued on page 2)

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Sunday evening, 10/13/01, found the Lady Eagles on the road to Fessenden School to square off against Charles River. Though victory was elusive, Eleni Pitardis put the Eagles on the board halfway through the first period. Our congratulations go out to Eleni on scoring her first career goal. May you skate on to earn many more! Though the Lady Eagles closed-out their opponents during the third period, the final score favored Charles River, 4 to 1.

The Eagles' coaching staff noted Tara Walsh's

solid defensive play and the aggressive skating an impressive game, rushing and pressuring her opponents at every turn. Though the boards were not kind to Karly Bruce, she played a solid game in support of her team.

The U-15 Lady Eagles are roost. The talent is there, sharpen your talons and soar!

## Bantam A's give Coach Harden first win

Alex and Joanne Kapinos

In only the second game of the season Head Coach Mark Harden was able to experience his first of many wins to come from his Bantam A's. It was Sunday night, heavy traffic, Bridgeport, CT, and hometown refs, how better to spend a night. Our boys made it all worthwhile with a dominating performance. With only 19 seconds into the game Aaron Pion found the back of the net off a Matt Pedimonti assist to give Enfield a quick 1-0 lead. With the game already getting out of control because of poor officiating Bridgeport tied the game 3 minutes later. Within a minute Justin Grigley scored assisted by Matt Pedimonti to take the lead back momentarily, within seconds Bridgeport tied up the game and along with 7 penalties, period 1 ended tied 2-2. But the fun was just beginning.

Period 2 started with Enfield being shorthanded by 2 players and basically we played short handed the entire period. With two player in the box Matt Pedimonti scored unassisted to break the morale of Bridgeport, soon after Zach Lavender fed a slashing Tyler Garrity at center ice and created another short handed break away goal to give Enfield a 4-2 lead. Still short handed Matt Pedimonti scored assisted by Justin Grigley for a 5-2 lead and seconds later Mark Zabicki found Nick Kapinos at center ice for Enfield's third break away goal, Nick gave Enfield a 6-2 lead. But with 6 penalties and 4 goals in the second period the crowd was unable to take a nap. Period 3 played like the previous 2, as penalties mounted and Nick Kapinos scored assisted by Tyler Garrity and Garrett Rivard to wrap up Enfields scoring for the night. Sam Leonardo and Ben Broadhurst contributed to Enfields 7-2 win. Not bad considering the team racked up 16 penalties.

## Bantam A's face stone wall

By Alex and Joanne Kapinos

Our Bantams hosted Avon Saturday night at home. Period 1 saw many chances for our Eagles to take the lead repeatedly with quality shots, but facing a HOT goalie this night took away our edge, period 1 ended scoreless while Jim Thompson and Ben Broadhurst played well.

Period 2 opened again with numerous shots being snuffed out by the Avon net minder. Midway thru the period Avon found the net to take a 1-0 lead, then the penalties for Enfield started again and gave power play chances to Avon who took advantage of them to build a 3-0 lead to close out period 2.

Period 3 started with solid play from Mark Zabicki and Garrett Rivard while our Eagles now getting frustrated with the goaltender of Avon added their last goal to take a 4-0 lead. Enfield completely out shot the visitors that night, but a great performance by their goaltender was the difference in a 4-0 loss.

## **Bantam A's play short handed in Hamden**

**By Joanne and Alex Kapinos**

It was 70 degrees on a sunny Sunday when we traveled to spacious Hamden arena. After quickly viewing the pre game warmups our boys were going to need to play their best against this larger foe. Enfield quickly jumped ahead by a goal from Matt Pedimonti assisted by Aaron Pion 39 seconds in. Hamden quickly tied it up with a breakaway and added two more goals by aggressively crashing the net to take a 3-1 lead. Enfield closed the gap with a rebound goal from Justin Grigely off a Matt Pedimonti shot. Period 1 ended 3-2 Hamden lead.

During the next 18 minutes Enfield reverted to "takeout orders" from the penalty box with eight penalties and 6 Hamden goals, playing short handed against such talent took its toll. At the close of the second Tyler Garrity scored assisted by Sam Leonardo and with a minute left in the game Aaron Simons scored assisted by Zach Lavender to close out scoring for Enfield. The Bantam A's lost 9-4 in an extremely physical match.

## **Pee Wee As Explode for First Win of Season**

**David J. Orszulak**

Following a rough start to the season, including tough 1 goal losses to Wallingford and Avon, the EHA Pee Wee As finally found their groove and exploded for a 9 – 1 win over South Eastern at CT College. Leading the way on offense was Luke Anderson (goal and 2 assists), Craig Downs (goal and 2 assists), Joe Fusco (2 goals), Stephen D'Addario (2 goals), Tyler Orszulak (goal and an assist), and D.J. DeGray (two assists). Other goal scorers for the Eagles included Zach Allard and Andrew Votta, while forwards Anthony Sarno and Brewster Knowlton contributed solid two-way efforts as well.

It wasn't until late in the second period that the Eagles were able to break the game open, so the solid goaltending provided by the tandem of Nate Allard and Scott Stevenson, coupled with the every improving defense of Nick Dwyer, Anthony Poissant, Ethan Sobel, Votta, and Connor Walsh, clamped down on South Eastern until the offense was finally able to put this pesky team away. Hopefully the A's can take some momentum from the first big win of the season into upcoming games against East Haven, Southern, and the CT Whalers.

## **Squirt A's host West Haven**

**By Joanne and Alex Kapinos**

With the first home game of the year our Squirt A's hosted W. Haven. West Haven quickly found the net to take the lead. With 5 seconds left in the first period W. Haven got their second goal thru a cloud of dust in front of our goalie Andrew Silva. Period 2 played the same as the first with W. Haven just beating our Eagles to the puck with hustle, they added 2 more goals that period. Alex Nacin scored an unassisted goal. Period 2 ended 4-1. Period 3 opened again to West Haven scoring, the game ended 5-1 West Haven.

Congratulations to Squirt A's

Captain- Ben Kapinos #5

Assistant Captain- Ethan Courneyer #3 Assistant

Captain- Wade Schools #8





























