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News and Notes

EHA Board Meeting

The next meeting of the board is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2005. It is held in the cafeteria at Asnuntuck Community College. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm and is open to the public. Our association meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month.

Booster Club Meeting

**The Booster Club's next meeting
will be Wednesday, December
19th, 7:00 pm at the Enfield Twin
Rinks.**

EHA Spring Invitational Tournament

**A spring tournament for Mite B, Squirt/Pee-Wee/Bantam levels B and C is being
organized for March. For more information, visit the tournament web page**

In-House Player Openings

**Want to play hockey on the weekends only? The Enfield Hockey Association
has openings for their recreational weekend league. For more information
please call:**

**Instructional (ages 3 and up)
Mike Gaylor (860) 749-4397**

**Mite (ages 5-8)
Bob Oski (860) 749-1504**

**Squirt (ages 9-10)
Laura Macsata (860) 741-2931**

Bantam B1 Wins Thanksgiving Tournament

The Bantam B-1 team participated in the Southeastern Connecticut Youth Hockey Thanksgiving Tournament over the Thanksgiving weekend. As the country was busy shopping, the Eagles were busy in their opening game on the day after Thanksgiving playing against the Southeastern Seahawks at the Connecticut College rink. The Eagles played well on the big sheet of ice in the first period. They outplayed and out shot the Seahawks but the first period ended up scoreless.

Throughout the second period Eric Quagliaroli and Tom Champion continued to play inspired defense. Halfway through the period, Laureen Little picked up a loose puck in front of the net and wristed it past the Seahawk goalie. The teams traded penalties for awhile until one minute to go in the period when Nick DeMontigny put a shot on net and stuffed home his own rebound. The second period ended up with the Eagles winning 2- 0.

One minute into the third period the Eagles continued to pick up loose pucks in front of the net as Patrick Tanguay scored a goal to go up 3-0. A few minutes latter, Southeastern scored to make the score 3-1. In the last two minutes of play, Southeastern pulled their goalie and Jesse Kettle took advantage of that by sliding the puck the length of the ice into the Southeastern net to win the game 4-1.

Following the morning victory in the Thanksgiving Tournament, The Eagles skated that night against the Middlesex Bantam B-1 team. The Eagles won all the face offs and dominated the play early but ended up loosing the first period by a goal. Although Enfield continued to pepper the Middlesex goalie, he continued to keep the puck out of his net. Middlesex scored again at the 13:00 minute mark and the 7:00 mark. The Eagles are now down by three goals. Finally at the 6:00 mark, Christian McNair passed to Jesse Kettle who passed to Patrick Tanguay to score. Four minutes latter Christian NcNair passed to Patrick Tanguay to score again. The second period was winding down as Ryan Martin passed to Nick DeMontigny who passed to Christian McNair to tie the score at 3-3. Enfield took 34 shots at the Middlesex goalie in the second period.

Middlesex scored five minutes into the third period to go up by one goal. Enfield continued the pressure on the Middlesex goalie when Mike Caplette was blocked on a right side wraparound so he calmly wrapped around the left side to tie the score at 4-4. Shortly thereafter, Christian McNair passed to Patrick Tanguay for his third goal of the game and the Eagles to go up 4-3.

Bantam B1 (cont.)

Jesse Kettle provided the insurance goal when he received a pass from Nick DeMontigny to finish the Eagles scoring to win the game 6-4. Despite being down by three goals the Eagles fought back for a hard fought victory. A review of the score sheet after the game showed the Eagles taking 83 shots on goal.

Enfield's next game was against the ECHO Bantam B team. The Eagles had numerous opportunities early and Nick DeMontigny hit the post twice. ECHO scored halfway through the first period but the Eagles came screaming back when Mike Caplette picked up a rebound and beat the ECHO goalie. ECHO scored with five minutes to go in the first period to go up by one goal. Early in the second period, Ryan Martin one timed a slap shot from the point to tie the score. ECHO came right back and scored on the next shift. Thomas Campion made an exciting end to end run that the ECHO goalie made a miracle save.

The face off in the ECHO zone resulted with Jesse Kettle stuffing home a goal to tie the score at 3-3. Unfortunately, ECHO scored the next 3 goals in the last seven minutes of the second period and then two more to start the third period down 8-3.

Ryan Martin showed his skating skills by going coast to coast leaving ECHO players in his wake, to score. Peter Aikens continued to close the gap by scoring to make it 5-8. ECHO closed out the game by scoring one more time and winning the game.

The Eagles had accumulated enough points to advance to the Championship game against ECHO. The players ate pizza and played knee hockey the previous night as the parents enjoyed "adult beverages" and talked hockey. The Eagles were determined not to let the previous game deter them from bringing home the gold. The anthem was played and the Eagles came out strong. "Coast to Coast" Ryan Martin once again avoided the lunging players and scored the first Eagle goal only two minutes into the game. The Eagles were battling for each loose puck and Brick Beltrandi took a pass and zipped a shot past the ECHO goalie to go up 2-0. On a power play at the end of the period, ECHO scored to make it 2-1. ECHO then scored in the first 5 minutes of the third period to tie the score 2-2. Seth Grunert continued to play well and Jesse Kettle was creating havoc in front of the ECHO net. Something was bound to happen. Chistian McNair took a pass from Patrick Tanguay and wristed it past the ECHO goalie with only 38 seconds in the second period to go up 3-2.

Bantam B1 (cont.)

The Eagles could now feel the momentum and Patrick Tanguay scored twice in twenty seconds to help build the lead to 5-2. ECHO called a time-out to try to regroup from the Eagles one/two punch. It was time for the Eagle defense of Erick Quagliaroli, Ryan Martin, John Frogameni, Thomas Campinand and goalie Carmine Giuliano to thwart all of ECHO's attempts to get back in the game.

The Eagles defense continued to make ECHO go wide or to stand them up at the blue line and to hold onto the lead. As the parents watched the clock slowly tick down, the players skated hard. ECHO scored with two minutes left in the game but too little too late. With 00:00 showing on the clock the Eagles threw their gloves and sticks in the air to celebrate winning the Championship. The Eagles received their individual trophies and proudly paraded around the ice with the **FIRST PLACE** team trophy.

In House Mites

Yellow Bruins

On November 28, 2004, the in house mite division Yellow Bruins played a game against the Great Whites. It was a great game. Both teams really put their best efforts. One can really see how all those practices and clinics really take effect in helping both of these teams understand the fundamentals of hockey. Matthew Roy of the Yellow Bruins was in for the goalie for his first time in which he did a superb job in making many blocks and saves. The Great Whites were the first to score. The Yellow Bruins were the next to score with a goal from Alyssa Bourdeau. Next goal for the Yellow Bruins was by Marc Richard also for the Yellow Bruins. The scores kept interchanging throughout the game as each team continued to score. Although the Great Whites did have an awesome defense it was just not enough to stop the Yellow Bruins on that particular day