



ICE CHIPS

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Enfield Hockey Association

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HEY COACH!

[USA Hockey Board of Directors Mandates Coach's Use of Helmets](#)

This past June, at the annual USA Hockey Annual Congress, the Board of Directors of USA Hockey passed a rule mandating **ALL** ice hockey coaches and instructors of registered USA Hockey teams wear an ice hockey helmet during **ALL** on-ice sessions, including practices and controlled scrimmages.

Speak UP!

Like what is going on with EHA? Want to address the board, but can't go to the meetings?

Try the feedback section of the new and improved EHA website. Log onto enfieldhockey.org for details.

AROUND THE RINK

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This section will be dedicated to highlighting various teams throughout the season. Check back to see if your team made the **ICE CHIPS!**

Attention Coaches & Parents!

Send in your team submissions so they can be included in future editions of the **ICE CHIPS**.

Submissions should be sent in no later than the end of the 2nd week of the month for the prior month's games.

To download the submission form, go to the **ICE CHIPS section of the website.**

For EX: For September's games, please submit your Summary Form no later than Friday, October 20th.

Inside Player Development



Did you know that EHA offers FREE clinics to skaters and goalies throughout the season?

Enfield Hockey provides these free clinics to give all skaters a little extra ice time to work on the fundamentals of the game.

These clinics, which are held at the Enfield Twin Rinks, are free of charge and provide additional hockey instruction to our skaters. With the exception of the goalie clinics, each clinic is targeted towards a specific age group. The goalie clinics are open to goalies in all age groups.

EHA NEWS

Shawn Sniffin Achieves Level 5 Coaching Certification

This past May, Bantam C Coach Shawn Sniffin achieved the Level 5 certification from USA Hockey. This is the only available to those coaches who have achieved Levels 1-4, and is the highest certification USA Hockey offers. Shawn continues to show his dedication to his players and EHA through this outstanding achievement. Congratulations Shawn!

Goalie Needed

The Mite A team is looking for a goalie. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please call either:

Mike Gaylor
(860) 749-4397

or

Scott Gaidos
(860) 870-5418

Roster Positions Available

Rosters positions are still available for the following teams:

Squirt B
contact: Scott Sweeney
(860) 749-4079

Bantam C
contact: Shawn Sniffin
(860) 749-6864

Thanksgiving Tournament

The annual EHA Thanksgiving Tournament will for "A" (Tier II) teams and will be held 11/24-11/26. Check the website and future editions of ICE CHIPS for more details.

Date	Time	Rink	Event
Sun, Sep 24	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Midget / Bantam Clinic
Sat, Sep 30	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Oct 1	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Pee Wee Clinic
Sun, Oct 8	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Goalie Clinic
Sun, Oct 15	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic
Sat, Oct 21	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Oct 22	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Midget / Bantam Clinic
Sat, Oct 28	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Nov 5	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Pee Wee Clinic
Sun, Nov 12	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sat, Nov 18	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Nov 19	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Goalie Clinic
Sat, Dec 2	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Dec 3	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Midget / Bantam Clinic
Sun, Dec 10	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Pee Wee Clinic
Sun, Dec 17	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Goalie Clinic
Sun, Dec 24	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Clinic
Sat, Dec 30	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Dec 31	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Clinic
Sun, Jan 7	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic
Sun, Jan 14	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sun, Jan 21	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Goalie Clinic
Sun, Jan 28	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Midget / Bantam Clinic
Sun, Feb 4	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Pee Wee Clinic
Sun, Feb 11	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic
Sun, Feb 18	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sat, Feb 24	7:40a -8:40a	Rink 1	In-House Clinic
Sun, Feb 25	6:30p -7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic

Sweat Camp a Success

This summer EHA held another successful edition of the Summer Sweat Camp. Over 86 skaters signed up for the once a week session, as well as a three day mini-camp at the end of August.

The skaters were able to keep skating over the summer, while being able to train with their new teammates to help build that unity and bond that all teams should be striving to obtain. In addition, dry land training was also held, focusing on improving balance, agility, and how to prevent injuries.

Great job to all involved in putting this on. Looking forward to another successful Sweat Camp next summer.



Board of Directors Meeting

The next Board of Directors Meeting is 10/3 at Asnuntuck Community College. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm, and association members are always invited.

know YOUR DIRECTORS

Your Division Directors are your eyes and ears for goings on throughout EHA. Stay in the know and know where to go.

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Bantam/Midget
Open Position (TBD)



Booster Club News

Interested in Volunteering, but don't know what to do?

Join the EHA Booster Club!



The Booster Club is made up of volunteers who are interested in spending a few hours a week working on activities such as: banquets, yearbooks, trophies, dances, charity events, and much more.

Know that the work you put into it will be appreciated by all people in the association and helps make the hockey season a fulfilling one.

For more information, contact your EHA Booster Club President

Booster Club President

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

There is no greater feeling than a job well done. That feeling can only be enhanced by seeing your accomplishments printed for everyone to see. This is the beauty of the **ICE CHIPS**.

There will be a new look and feel to the newsletter, which I hope you like.

But be aware that there will be no ICE CHIPS without your help! Utilize the online submission form to send in game information, or anything related to your team that is of interest.

Log onto enfieldhockey.org and click the ICE CHIPS link for more details.

Thanks and best of luck this season

Ken Labak
ICE CHIPS COORDINATOR