



ICE CHIPS

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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.

EHA NEWS

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors meets on the first Tuesday of every month. The meetings are held at Asnuntuck Community College and begin at 7:00 pm. All association members are welcome to attend.

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!**

Mite B

Submitted by: Tim Bourdeau

Date: 12/9/06 Enfield (3) vs. Avon (2)

A great game played by both teams as the Enfield Mite B team hosted the visiting Avon Panthers. The Eagles started slowly and allowed the Panthers to take an early lead less than 2 minutes into the game. In the final minute of the 1st period, **Jared Cournoyer** was able to tie the game with a hard one-timer on a perfect pass from **Zachary Cieri**. The second period brought 2 more goals for **Zachary Cieri**. The first one was assisted by **Matt Stafford**. The second, only a minute later was assisted by **Brendan Looney**. The Panthers scored in the 3rd to close the gap but it was not enough to take the game away from the Eagles as they won 3-2. **Sean Brady** played tough in goal stopping some difficult breakaway shots and covering the puck quickly to shut down the Avon offense. Coach's thoughts on this performance: **Great effort but we needed more passing!**

Submitted by: Tim Bourdeau

Date: 12/10/06 Enfield (4) vs. South Windsor (0)

The Enfield Mite B players have really come together as a team. This performance was a great event for the spectators. The way they passed and worked together was unbelievable. The Eagles traveled to South Windsor and went on the attack from the time the puck was dropped and didn't let up until the game was over. They dominated the South Windsor team outshooting them 29-3. The South Windsor goalie played incredibly and really kept his team in the game. The first goal wasn't scored until the second period when **Brendan Looney** took a shot from the blue line that found it's way to the back of the net. The Eagles entered the third period

Spring Invitational Tournament

EHA is pleased to host our annual Spring Invitational Tournament, March 1 - 18, 2007. This annual month-long event, which historically has been one of the region's largest and most diverse hockey tournaments, promises to be bigger and better than ever!

The dates for the tournament are as follows:

March 1-4: Squirt C
PeeWee C

March 7-11: Mite B
PeeWee B

March 14-18: Bantam B
Bantam C



ahead 1-0. **Austin Rupp** had numerous opportunities but met up against a tough South Windsor goalie. Nearing the end of the game, **Connor Roberts** got a breakout pass from **Nicholas Mayo** and bolted down the ice for a breakaway goal. 20 seconds later, with only 2 minutes left in the game, **Jared Cournoyer** crashed the net and batted in the loose puck assisted by **Daigen Dosek** and **Zachary Cieri**. Finally, **Jacob Bourdeau** went to the top corner to score on a breakaway to put the finishing touches on a well deserved 4-0 win. The team earned another shutout with **Stephanie Maiolo** in net. **Drew Moskowicz** and **Nicholas Mayo** stepped in to join veteran defensemen **Matt Stafford** and **Craig Montemerlo** to keep the puck in the offensive zone for the majority of the game. **Great Teamwork Eagles!**

Submitted by: Tim Bourdeau

Date: 12/16/06 Enfield (3) vs. West Haven (0)

The Eagles Mite B team hosted the visiting West Haven team. Once again, Enfield outworked their opponent in this game. This was a close game from beginning to end. The Eagles worked as a team and passed the puck well. **Michael Kennedy** scored 2 goals in the second period. The first one was assisted by **Stephanie Maiolo**. His second was assisted by **Zachary Cieri** when **Zac** sent a perfect pass to the front of the net and **Michael** drove it home. **Connor Roberts** scored with a hard shot in the third period to put the Eagles ahead 3-0. **Sean Brady** played a fantastic game in net as he was aggressive and focused. **Sean** led his team to another shut out victory! **Great Job Eagles!**

Submitted by: Tim Bourdeau

Date: 12/17/06 Enfield (9) vs. CT Clippers (2)

A very small Enfield Mite B team traveled to Cromwell to face the CT Clippers. With the absence of 4 players, the rest of the team really stepped it up. **Sean Brady** played another great game in goal. **Matt Stafford**, **Nicholas Mayo** (1 assist), and **Zachary Cieri** (1 assist) teamed up as the only 3 defensemen and played their hearts out for the entire game. **Jacob Bourdeau** and **Michael Kennedy** both posted hat-tricks. **Daigen Dosek** netted 2 goals and 2 assists, while **Austin Rupp** also had 2 assists. **Connor Roberts** scored 1 and assisted on 2 and **Jared Cournoyer** earned 1 assist. The players used team work and determination to survive 3 periods with only 9 skaters. **Great effort everyone... another good "team win"!**

Squirt A

Submitted by: Ken Labak

Date 12/9/06 Enfield (2) vs. Middlesex (3)

Enfield came out to play with a tough Middlesex team on Saturday. Playing hard, Enfield gave up 2 powerplay goals and dug themselves a hole. A penalty filled last two periods showed Enfield skating with Middlesex, but falling short 3-1. **Matt Boulette** scored for Enfield, a nice shot to the top corner. The defense of **Zach Halliquest**, **Brenden Sherba**, **Derek Litty** and **Jeff Austin** played very well in the loss.

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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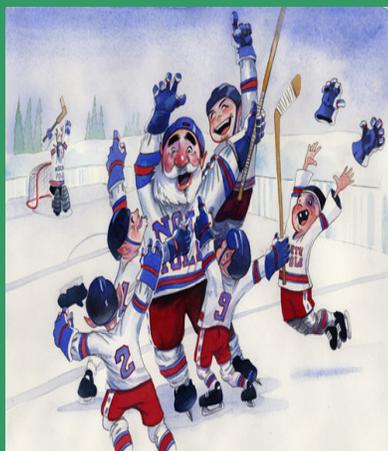
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Submitted by: Ken Labak

Date 12/16/06 Enfield (4) vs. Middlesex (3)

Trying to avenge a loss to Middlesex the previous week, The Eagles came out flying, playing a complete game. Evenly matched throughout, the game flowed back and forth, with **Jay Skorulski** netted the game winner after crashing the net and roofing a rebound over the goalie. **Mike Sweeney** played a great game in goal, stopping Middlesex on numerous attempts.

PeeWee B

Submitted by: Michelle Sellaw

Date: 12/3/06 Enfield (4) vs. Holy Name (0)

Well the team came ready to play and win. This was **Brandon Carey's** first shut out playing the whole game. What a great job he did in net. The Eagles were all over Holy Name the whole game. Holy Name was short a few players but played strong. Great job Eagles on a great shut out game.

PeeWee B1

Submitted by: Barry Vincens

Date: 11/4/06 Enfield (0) vs. FCHA (8)

The Eagles faced a talented FCHA team and despite losing put forward a good effort. Although they were outmatched they continued to play hard for 3 periods. On defense **Tyler Stoll** and **Cameron Pape** played a strong game and on offense **Camden Cacolice**, **Conner Boucher**, and **Nathan Norris** had some quality scoring chances but could not capitalize. Better luck next game Eagles!

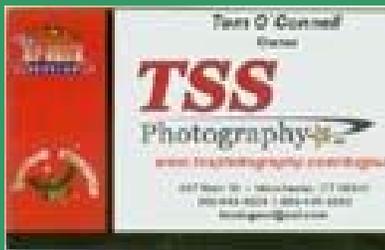
Submitted by: Barry Vincens

Date: 11/5/06 Enfield (9) vs. Westfield II (3)

In victory the Eagles showed some great teamwork. Goalie **Kevin Bostiga** played an excellent game in net facing many difficult shots. The Eagles offense came to life behind **Camdan Cacolice** with 6 goals, and **Nate Norris**, **Connor Boucher**, and **DJ Trudeau** each with one. Assists for the Eagles came from **Ben Domingue**, **DJ Trudeau**, and **Camdan Cacolice**. The defensive work of **Kevin Vincens** and **Ben Domingue** helped in the victory. Keep up the good work Eagles!

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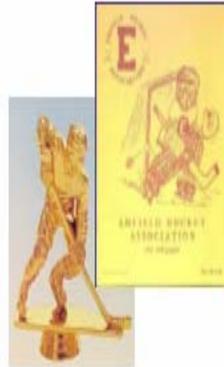


Booster Club News

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

Join the EHA Booster Club!

The Booster Club is looking for volunteers to help fill open positions. These positions include yearbook, awards night, coaches' game and fundraising. Our meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm right at the Twin Rinks. Any one interested in finding out more information feel free to join us for a meeting or contact me directly at the below email address or phone number. Just a reminder helping out with the Booster Club counts towards the volunteer hours.



Booster Club Scholarship Dance!!

The Booster Club Scholarship Dance will be held on February 2, 2007 at Mount Carmel from 6:30 - 12:00. There will be dinner and dancing. Each team is encouraged to donate a basket for the silent auction.

Tickets will be distributed to all teams after January 1st. This dance is always a fun time and a great night out!

Booster Club Store has been a hit!

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who have helped open and run the Booster Club Store this year. We hope you have liked some of the new items in the store and have found some great gift ideas for your favorite hockey players!

We still need your help though.... While the store will be closed on December 23 and 24 and January 30 and 31... we will be opening again during the month of January. All EHA teams participating in a game in Rink 2 on a Saturday or Sunday during the hours of 7am and 6pm are expected to open and run the store. It is fairly easy and mostly painless to do and helps the Booster Club raise MUCH NEEDED money to provide end of year awards ceremonies, trophies and yearbooks for ALL of our players. As an added bonus, the hours you work at the store can be used for your volunteer vouchers to partially or fully offset the Volunteer requirements for the year, therefore saving you up to \$50.

Having the store open in January will also give everyone the opportunity to purchase early birthday gifts including custom warm-ups, mini-zambonis and other great hockey items.

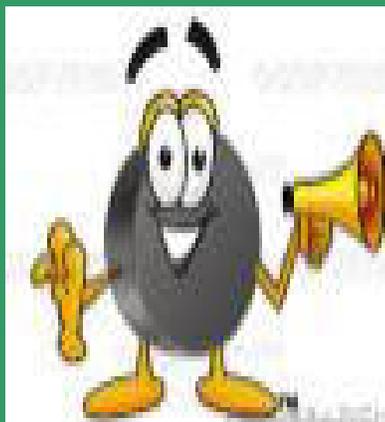
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 SPORTING GOODS



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.

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	Mite Clinic
Sun, Oct 1	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Pee Wee Clinic
Sun, Oct 8	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic
Sun, Oct 16	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sat, Oct 21	7:40a - 8:40a	Rink 1	Mite Clinic
Sun, Oct 22	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Midget / Bantam Clinic
Sat, Oct 28	7:40a - 8:40a	Rink 1	Mite 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	Mite Clinic
Sun, Nov 19	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sat, Dec 2	7:40a - 8:40a	Rink 1	Mite 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	Squirt Clinic
Sun, Dec 24	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Mite Clinic
Sat, Dec 30	7:40a - 8:40a	Rink 1	Mite 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	Mite Clinic
Sun, Feb 25	6:30p - 7:40p	Rink 2	Squirt Clinic

Special Article

Five Sticks Are Always Better Than One *(taken from USA Hockey Magazine, Series "Why I Love Hockey", 12/2005 Edition)*
By Sean McArdle *Bronx, N.Y.*

I am a Bantam with the Brewster Bulldogs. I am athletic and am lucky enough to play many sports well. None, however, captivates me like hockey. I got hooked as a Mite and the passion just got stronger.

I love walking into the locker room before a game and talking and jousting with my teammates. I love the rush I get when I step onto the ice for warm-up and the feel of the cool wind on my face when I really start moving. I love the anticipation that I feel when waiting for the ref to drop the puck on a face-off. I love moving up the ice with the puck on my stick more than anything else (including Christmas and unexpected snow days). I love that indescribable feeling that fills me when I shoot the puck past the goalie. I love how the team celebrates each goal in a group hug. I love patting my goalie on the head when he has made an incredible save. I love winning, and sometimes losing, as one unit, one team.

In competitive travel hockey, team members spend so much time together that closeness is unavoidable. I am 13 and through hockey I have formed friendships that I know will last a lifetime. I have memories, like scoring the tying goal with one second left and getting the game-winner in overtime, winning the gold medal in the Can-Am games on the "Miracle" Rink in Lake Placid, coming back to win the team relay after a fall in a skills competition, and so many more that I know will make me smile when I am a very old man.

Why do I love hockey? Hockey has taught me to both win and lose with grace. It has taught me that my actions (both positive and negative) affect other people. It has taught me that the team with the best players doesn't always win. It has taught me that determination and heart can overcome sheer talent. It has taught me that working hard pays off. It has taught me that five sticks are always better than one. Above all, it has taught me that these things are true, both on and off the ice.

