



Program Notes 2012-2013 Season



Midget Program: We are planning on having a half-season Midget team again this season in the Valley League High School division plus a High School Prep team. For information please contact Midget Coordinator Joe Appleyard at ryhmidgets@gmail.com.

Leagues: As with last year, all of the Boys travel teams will only play in the Valley League. All Squirts, Peewees and Bantams will play a 45 game Valley League schedule. All Mites will play a 30-game schedule in the Valley League.

The Girls Travel Teams (U19, U14, U12 and U10) will continue to play in the Middlesex Yankee league.

Practice Ice: RYH has contracted with Holland Arena in Woburn for additional practice ice again this season to supplement our Burbank ice. Practices at Holland will be denoted with "Holland" on the practice calendar. Holland Arena is located at 270 Salem St. in Woburn, a short 10-15 minute ride from Reading. This ice will come on-line in December when we typically lose ice time at Burbank.

Skating/Skills Clinics: RYH will be offering skills clinics to its membership this fall, run by Sean Collins. Various age levels will be scheduled each week on a rotating basis on Wednesday nights.

Goalie Clinics: RYH has again contracted with Brian Daccord and Stop It Goaltending to provide goalie training at RYH's expense at his facility in the early part of the upcoming season. If you are a goalie and have not heard about this training already, please contact Ted Rein for details at ryhtreasurer@gmail.com.

Learn-to-Skate (LTS) and Learn-to-Play (LTP) Clinic Registration: The LTS and LTP clinics are open to both Reading and out-of-town residents and will take place on Sunday mornings from mid-October thru March. Registration for the LTS and LTP clinics will start in September. As dates are finalized the RYH website will be updated.

Electronic Payments *New this year*: You can now make payments via electronic check. All registered players will receive an emailed invoice with a payment link to pay by eCheck. Simple, safe and convenient.



2012-2013 Fall Tryout Schedule

Below is the Tryout schedule for the upcoming season. Please remember that your tryout fee must be paid in order to participate in tryouts. In addition, the USA Hockey Liability Waiver form and Code of Conduct forms (both Player and Parent) must be filled out. Remember to bring both a dark and light jersey to each tryout session (no red or yellow and jerseys **cannot** have names on back).

Note that the listed time is when players are expected to step on the ice. **Please report to the first tryout session in enough time to ensure all paperwork is in order.**

Monday, 8/27	6:00 PM Squirts (A-J) 7:00 PM Squirts (K-Z)
Tuesday, 8/28	6:00 PM Squirts (Even #'s) 7:00 PM Squirts (Odd #'s)
Tuesday, 9/4	5:00 PM Squirts (Posted #'s) 6:00 PM Squirts (Posted #'s) 7:00 PM Squirts (Posted #'s)
Wednesday, 9/5	6:00 PM Mites (A-H) 7:00 PM Mites (I-Z)
Thursday, 9/6	5:45 PM Mites (Even #'s) 6:45 PM Mites (Odd #'s)
Friday, 9/7	6:25 PM Mite (Posted #'s) 7:25 PM Squirts (Posted #'s)
Saturday, 9/8	12:00 PM Mites (Posted #'s)

Any **squirt** player interested in trying out as a goalie please contact Mike Golden for more information at mg8golden@comcast.net.

Calling all MITE parents !! Volunteers are needed to help run the annual **Dana Hennigar Memorial Mite Holiday Tournament** in December. Please contact Chris Meehan at (781) 944-1529 or ckmeehan@comcast.net if you are willing to help. Please step up and volunteer, we need your help to make this great event happen!

COACHES

RYH is actively looking for coaches and clinic volunteers for the upcoming season. If you would like to coach please fill out the coaching application, available on the RYH website, and send it in ASAP. Coaches will not be assigned until AFTER final team placements have been completed. All coaches will be required to become certified at the appropriate Coaching Education Program (CEP) level, complete the Age-specific on-line module(s), and pass a CORI background check. In addition all coaches must register with USA Hockey and send their confirmation in to the Registrar. Please visit the Coaches section on the USA Hockey website www.usahockey.com for more information about coaching certification requirements and for upcoming coaching seminar dates and locations.

~ IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION ~

Starting this season **EVERY** player must be registered via our new on-line registration process. Even though the paper registration form was accepted, it is mandatory that each player is registered on-line. This registration process will be used for on-going communications, so please be as accurate as possible. Some important facts about the on-line registration include:

- Valid USA Hockey numbers must be entered for each player, so please register with USA Hockey first
- At least one parent/guardian must register themselves(max of 2)

A registration link along with detailed instructions will be available on our website soon.

Questions? Please contact Chris Meehan at ckmeehan@comcast.net.



Registration Payment Schedule 2012-2013 Season

Level	Annual Fee	Payment Due Dates			
		Registration Fee	Tryouts	30-Sept.	31-October
Midget In-House	\$400	\$400	--	--	--
Midget HS Prep	\$350	\$350	--	--	--
Bantam	\$1,400	\$400	--	\$500	\$500
PeeWee	\$1,400	\$400	--	\$500	\$500
Squirt	\$1,400	\$250	\$350	\$400	\$400
Mite - Travel	\$1,100	\$250	\$350	\$250	\$250
Mite -Instruct (Buzzer); Boys/Girls	\$750	\$250	N/A	\$250	\$250
Girls U10, U12,U14	\$1,100	\$400	--	\$350	\$350
Girls U19	\$400	\$400	--	--	--
Clinic-Learn to Skate	\$250	\$250	--	--	--
Clinic-Learn to Play	\$250	\$250	--	--	--

- **Family Maximum:** The first 2 players in a family pay in full, then a 50% discount applies to additional players in the family. The 50% discount applies to the lowest fee programs. The discount does not apply to the LTS and LTP clinics.
- **Note:** For the upcoming season *full-time* goalies pay 50% of the respective fee for their level
- **Note:** Failure to pay by the dates outlined in this schedule will result in player suspension from the program. No player will be permitted to tryout if outstanding fees from prior season have not been paid in full.
- **Note:** The costs above do not include the \$48 per player fee that each player incurs when s/he registers online directly with USA Hockey.

Registration Notes

For Mites and Squirts the payment due at tryouts is \$350 per player. This is in addition to the \$250 already paid at registration. For all levels, if you did not pay the full registration fee, that balance will be due at tryouts in addition to the tryout fee. Failure to pay by the dates outlined in the schedule above will result in player suspension from the program.

Monthly payment programs for annual dues can be arranged. Please contact RYH Treasurer Ted Rein at ryhtreasurer@gmail.com to establish a payment plan. **All Players must be paid in full by December 31.**



REMINDER

USA Hockey requires all players to register directly with USA Hockey annually on the USA Hockey website. This means that all players trying out for reading youth hockey must visit the USA Hockey website and register for the 2012-2013 season. This must be done **BEFORE** attending the upcoming tryouts. <https://www.usahockeyregistration.com>

The process is fairly simple; you will need your child's date of birth, a valid credit card and an e-mail address.

Once USA Hockey registration has been completed you will receive a registration number. This number will need to be submitted to RYH via our **on-line registration process**. An on-line registration link will be activated prior to the season on www.readingyouthhockey.org.

Equipment Notes:



- All players at PeeWee level or higher, including goalkeepers, are required to wear a colored (non-clear) internal mouthpiece.
- Helmets must have two straps, ear flaps and be HECC approved. Players will not be allowed to participate in league games without a proper mouthpiece and helmet.
- Goalie Equipment – Mite, Squirt, U-10 and U-12 players interested in playing goalie for the season may contact RYH Equipment Coordinator Mark McKie at orr4ever@comcast.net for RYH goalie equipment. Equipment may be signed out for the season by a player's parent or guardian.

Game Shirts:

All shirts are new this season and must be returned at season's end. Please launder game shirts inside out with only one or two other items to give the shirt plenty of room to move in the washing machine. Hang to dry. Please do not wear the shirts to practice if possible.



Fundraising is an important aspect of our program and the fundraising committee is looking for both volunteers and good ideas. If interested, please contact RYH Fundraising Director Lynn Strazzere at (781) 771-4919 or lmahoney9@gmail.com.

Important Note: One of the most important fundraisers each year is calendar sales. Calendar sales are mandatory for Mites through Bantams and Girls teams. Each family is responsible for \$100 in sales. Prizes are awarded for top sellers! Team parents will have more information as the calendar sales get closer.