

SeaHawks Newsletter



“Anchoring town hockey in Hull, Norwell, and Scituate.”

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Transitioning from peewees into bantams is the most difficult challenge to today's youth hockey player. The reason is simple: contact! No one in the SeaHawks program has made this transition better than Bantam B star defenseman Finn Duffey. “Finn is a rock,” said Coach Mike O'Brien. “He protects the crease and his goalie at all times.” Finn has been playing SeaHawks since his early Mite years. He, like many SeaHawks players, has improved each year. “Finn always finds a way to keep the puck in the offensive zone when defending the blue line,” added Coach Jay Ryan. “The bantam level comes with serious checking, and Finn has been our number one body contact guy. He protects his team.” Finn sat down after a SeaHawks win recently to share a bit about himself with the fans of SeaHawks Nation.

SN: Who are your favorite NHL players?

FD: Patrick Kane & Kevan Miller

SN: Favorite hockey rink?

FD: Pilgrim Arena

SN: Favorite Junk Food?

FD: Potato Chips

SN: Favorite Dessert?

FD: Ice Cream

SN: Favorite movie?

FD: Step Brothers

SN: Favorite TV show?

FD: The League

SN: Favorite book?

FD: “The Outsiders”

SN: Favorite sport other than hockey?

FD: Football

SN: Why do you like playing SeaHawks?

FD: I get to play with my friends!

SeaHawks Star Finn Duffey





Coach Pete Belsan, with son, Matty

Pete Belsan has spent his entire life living in SeaHawks Country! He owns and operates Belsan's Bait & Tackle in Scituate (one of our sponsors). Many members of SeaHawks Nation know him from his weekly participation at "Skills." Pete not only played for Scituate High School ('83), but he was also a proud member of the inaugural South Shore SeaHawks Program. Pete is an active guy in our SeaHawks community and he has worked hard to make all of our kids better hockey players over the last 7 years.



SN: What team do you coach?

PB: Peewee A's

SN: How many kids in the SeaHawks?

PB: One, Matty who is a Peewee A

SN: What's your playing resume?

PB: I played for the Scituate Braves, the Scituate Whalers, then the SeaHawks until playing at Scituate High School

SN: How has youth hockey changed?

PB: Several ways... 1) I played with the same 15-20 kids from Mites right until high school. With this core group—many of whom I'm still close friends with—we forged a quality group that could count on one another both on and off the ice.

Today's game has so many programs that it's difficult to establish that same "core" which makes hockey such a fun and tight team sport. 2) The cost of the game has risen drastically. 3) I know that when I was 12 years old, I couldn't fire a slapshot like my son, Matty. But, I tell him, it's those over-priced sticks! In my day, it was Victoriaville or Northland. But if I got a good report card, I could get a treasured Koho!

SN: How will "town" ice hockey progress?

PB: I see a resurgence in town hockey over the next decade. The cost and some of the travel time can wear and tear on players and parents. I'm a big fan of town hockey, and many "club" people I know have told me that there are more advantages to town hockey.

SN: Who is your hockey role model?

PB: My father, for sure. He instilled the value and need for maintaining respect for all: coaches, teammates, opponents, and the refs. He taught me commitment by bringing me to all practices and games. My dad had no problem building the backyard rink on Pyramid Lane or loading all the neighborhood kids into the Plymouth Station wagon to play pond hockey all day!

SN: Favorite NHL players, past & present

PB: Ray Bourque & Patrice Bergeron

SN: Now, about you! Favorite junk food?

PB: Zagnut

SN: Favorite dessert?

PB: Bowl of Hingham Harbor Sludge !

SN: Favorite Movie?

PB: Moby Dick (the original)

SN: Favorite TV Show?

PB: The O'Reilly Factor

SN: Favorite Book?

PB: "Ten hours until dawn"

SN: Any advice for today's player?

PB: Listen to what your parents have to say. Both in hockey, and in life, you may not think they are always right... but they are! As far as on the ice goes, hockey is not complicated. Have fun and compete and you'll discover that the best sport on earth will teach you many things!



What: SeaHawks' Movie Day

When: Wednesday, December 30th @ 10:00 a.m.

Where: Mill Wharf Cinema in Scituate Harbor

Cost: \$10 per ticket (includes kiddie combo tray)

Why: Fun, fun, fun, and some \$\$ going back to the
Seahawks

Movie: It's a surprise!

Who: SeaHawks players, family members, and friends are welcome!

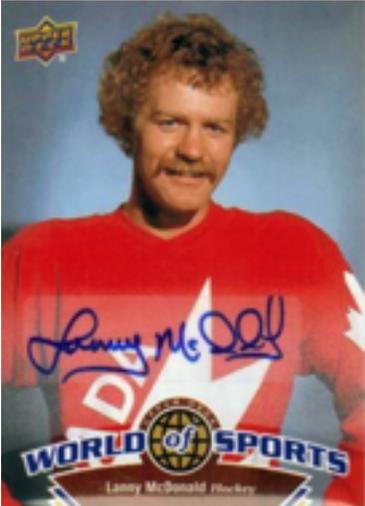


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- * The original Stanley Cup was only 7 inches in height
- * Canadiens have most Stanley Cup wins with 23; Maple Leafs are 2nd with 13
- * Lemieux and Gretzky are the only 3-time winners of the NHL all-star game MVP
- * Montreal's Jacques Plante was the first goalie to wear a mask
- * Philadelphia's Dave "The Hammer" Schultz was the first NHL player with 300 penalty minutes
- * Wayne Gretzky amassed 215 points in the 1985-86 season
- * Toronto's Darryl Sittler amassed 10 points in one game in 1976... against the Bruins
- * Canada is widely recognized as the birthplace of ice hockey



Name that Afro!



Top row: Ogie Ogethlorpe from "Slapshot" and John Wensink
Middle: Clarke Gilles and Lanny McDonald
Bottom: Larry Robinson and Dave Schultz

