

Arrows Youth Hockey Newsletter

2005-2006 Season

September Edition

WELCOME TO ARROWS YOUTH HOCKEYS' 2005 – 2006 SEASON.

With tryouts and team selection for our travel teams behind us, we look forward to getting our youngest members on the ice for Learn To Skate, Developmental, and our House League. Registration will be held Wednesday, September 21st and Tuesday, September 27th at Freeport Recreation Center 6PM – 7PM. If you are interested, please visit our website or e-mail Sandy Bobb at JFJBobb@aol.com for registration information.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS & APPOINTEES:

Board meetings are held at the Freeport Recreation Center the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 P.M. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

BOARD of DIRECTORS 2005/2006

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Dollars for Scholars Director	Fred Bobb	jfjbobb@aol.com	223-0009
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GOLF OUTING:

For all those interested Bob Kelly, our Squirt C Coach is associated with a Golf Fundraiser for the Lance Armstrong Foundation and a local Cystic Fibrosis Fund for a young boy who has been stricken with this illness. Please join us on September 16th at Cherry Creek in Riverhead, NY 11:30 AM is registration and we are scheduled for a 1:30 PM shotgun start. The fee of \$150 includes: Golf, Golf Cart, BBQ Lunch, Buffet Dinner, Awards, Beer & Soda on the course, and beverages during the reception. The price for the awards dinner only is \$55.00. For further information, please call Bob Kelly, 516-868-7926.

HOCKEY TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS:

Congratulations to the 10 Freeport families who will be awarded LTS, Developmental or House League Scholarships. Scholarships were awarded on a first come first serve basis to Freeport residents. The scholarship program was designed as a way for the Arrows to "give something back to the community."

LI BLUES: ICE SKATING AND HOCKEY FOR SPECIAL NEEDS KIDS

The LI Blues is a wonderful opportunity for children with disabilities to learn to skate and play hockey. Contact Neil Robbins at 516-903-7319 for further information. All disabilities welcome (girls and boys). Each child will have a "specially trained buddy" assigned to them. What a great way to learn how to skate! Arrows members who wish to assist as a buddy should contact Neil Robbins.

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MEET OUR TRAVEL COACHES:

Mike Munzel	– Mite B Head Coach	Howie Middleberg	– Mite C Head Coach
Frank Collette	– Squirt B Head Coach	Bob Kelly	– Squirt C Head Coach
Tim Rodgers	– Peewee B Head Coach	John McLaughlin	– Peewee C Head Coach
Sal Sacco	– Bantam Head Coach		
Neil Robbins	– Midget Minor Head Coach	Chris Hogan	– Midget Major Head Coach

MEET OUR TRAVEL TEAMS:

Mite B	Squirt B	Squirt C
Albi, Dominick – 3	Brolly, Matt – 99	Brand, Erin - 4
Baccarella, Brandon – 2	Brolly, Tom – 17	Cangelosi, Anthony - 4
Diaks, Zachary – 1	Brown, Jake – 9	D Erasmo, Nicholas - 54
DiFrancesca, Paul – 00	Clark, Patrick – 39	Frederick, Nicholas - 70
Dominquez, Rafael – 19	Flynn, Edward – 13	Hirsh, Zach - 23
Fogarty, Dylan – 79	Hirsh, Zach - (T) 23	Jennings, Michael -
Gibbons, Ryan – 44	Honeyman, Bobby – 55	Kelly, Cam - 4
Grubman, Troy – 9	Kavanagh, Brendan – 25	Korn, Matt - 79
Kraemer, Chris – 17	Kleinschmidt, Ross – 28	Maraldo, Ryan - 8
Marsman, Chris – 13	LaBarbera, Sal – 44	McDonald, Brian - 27
Murphy, Ryan – 22	Lampert, Troy – 10	Oleon, John - 46
Peluso, Dean – 30	Loglisci, James – 29	Rush, Brendan - 28
Robbins, Billy – 32	McDonald, Brian - (T) 27	Schwally, Brian - 49
Romano, Tyler – 31	Oldmixon, Bobby – 20	Stegner, Sean - 37
	Stegner, Sean - (T) 37	
	Teich, Daniel – 31	
	Volino, Brandon – 4	
	Zapson, Mark – 35	

PeeWee B	PeeWee C	Bantam
Bobb, James – 16	Annunziata, Robert – 13	Boudiette, Chuck - 14
Caldarola, Dan – 96	Arnold, Tim – 12	Castelli, Frank - 15
Coyne, Bryan – 77	D Auria, Kenneth – 22 (T)	Clark, Eddie - 8
DiGiovanna, Dom – 12	Goldstein, Adam – 23	Condon, Matt - 10
Egan, Martin – 18	Hulse, Daniel – 27	Georgas, Jimmy - 1
Eiler, Louis – 99	Kardisch, Zachary – 77	Gobetz, Mark - 21
Fazio, Nick – 72	Kelly, William – 11	Grubman, Cole - 11
Griffin, John – 22	Kirk, Michael – 37	Horl, Connor - 19
Lasky, Dakota – 30	Klarides, Greg – 14	Howell, Steve - 24
McCarthy, Mike – 25	Mark, Joseph – 55	Kempner, Billy - 22
Nurhan, Steven – 4	Pantofe, Bryan – 31	Lasher, Patrick - 58
OByrne, Mike – 14	Pawelsky, Alan – 4	Macheras, Ivan - 72
Rizzuto, Bill – 7	Pizzo, Brian – 16	Pritchard, William - 33
Sanders, Jordan – 27	Prossimo, Nicholas -	Rebman, Kyle - 0
Schneider, Zachary – 17	Rizzuto, Andrew – 35	Sacco, Chris - 97
Shuck, - 3	Zalayet, David – 18	Smyth, Matt - 49
St John, - 31		Weiss, Scott - 66
		Yablon, Travis - 45
		Yee, Alex - 9

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Midget Minor	Midget Major
Armellino, Ed – 14	Apparius, Brent – 9
Arnold, Dennis – 12	Azzaretto, Chris – 97
Aro, Jason – 17	Backmann, Tommy – 19
Brolly, James – 99	Berger, Brendan – 75
Carotenuto, Chris – 31	Berotti Jr., Fred – 3
Cupolo, Mike – 22	Bobb, Fred – 22
Greenwald, Ian – 6	Doria, Joe – 1
Kempner, Tyler – 17	Heidenrich, Tristen – 16
Maloney, Matthew – 10	Kleinschmidt, Ryan – 8
McCarren, Rich – 35	Kublbock, Joe – 21
Mendicino, John – 12	Macaluso, Joe – 6
Mione, Joey – 96	Mays, Jeff – 24
Moskowitz, Jordan – 3	Mazza, Eric – 77
Oldmixon, Lyle – 24	Mazzie, Joe – 66
Poplawski, Steven – 32	McNulty, Benjamin – 4
Robbins, Lenny – 8	Mione, Pat – 33
Smith, James – 11	Pistani, Kyle – 88
Telfer, Jimmy – 14	Sheskier, Andrew – 12
Wedel, Edward – 4	Yee, Matt – 2
West, Anthony – 68	
Zwerling, Eric – 88	

GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION:

Tournaments: The Arrows try to attend tournaments as an organization for both Thanksgiving and Christmas/New Years. We host our own President's Day Weekend "Dollars For Scholars" Tournament February 17th – 20th. Please block these times as "Committed To Hockey." Our Thanksgiving tournament this year will be in Marlboro, MA and our Christmas tournament in Aston, PA.

Travel Practice Schedule

Mite B	Tues 6:15 – 7:15pm, Wed 6:15 – 7:25PM
Mite C	Wed 5:00 – 6:00pm
Squirt B	Mon 5:15 - 6:10pm, Thur 6:15 - 7:25pm
Squirt C	Tue 6:15 – 7:15pm, Wed 5:00 – 6:00pm
Peewee B	Mon 6:25 - 7:20pm, Thur 7:40 - 8:50pm
Peewee C	Mon 5:15 - 6:10pm, Wed 7:40 - 8:50pm
Bantam	Mon 6:25 - 7:20pm, Tue 9:05 - 10:15pm
Midget Minor	Mon 7:35 - 8:30pm, Thur 9:05 - 10:15pm
Midget Major	Mon 7:35 - 8:30pm, Wed 9:05 - 10:15pm

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Level Designations: The Long Island Amateur Hockey League (LIAHL) along with the New York State Amateur Hockey Association (NYSAHA) of which it is a member, use the following USA Hockey Tier-to-Letter conventions: Tier I (one) = "A"; Tier II (two) = "B"; Tier III (three) = "C". The Arrows are a USA Hockey Tier II organization. This means that at each age classification at which we field a team, the team is registered as "Tier II tournament bound," meaning that the team is eligible to qualify for the NYSAHA Tier II state championships and USA Hockey Tier II national championships. The mite team is an exception to this as there is no state championship offered at mite level. Furthermore, there is no Squirt national championship tournament offered. These teams compete in the "B" division of the LIAHL meaning that we will be playing a league schedule against other similarly recognized and registered teams of member organizations of the LIAHL.

By LIAHL rule, any second teams that a Tier II organization like ours might field at any given age classification must be registered as Tier III non tournament bound (USA Hockey rules dictate that any single organization cannot register more than one tournament bound team per age classification.) We will field one such team this year at the PeeWee age classification. Historically, this team would compete in the "C" division of the LIAHL meaning that the team will be playing a league schedule against other similarly recognized and registered teams in addition to any teams of the LIAHL that may be registered primarily as Tier III organizations (e.g., Great Neck Bruins). This may change this coming year with the growing number of non tournament bound second teams being fielded by some of the Tier I organizations (e.g., the Gulls, the Royals) and the league structure, if one is implemented, that will govern their play.

Outside of the LIAHL, in neighboring regions such as New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania, youth hockey leagues and organizations have adopted a different Tier-to-Letter scheme, as follows: Tier I (one) = "AAA" or "AA" or "A", Tier II (two) = "AA" or "A", Tier III (three) = "B." You have probably already heard of or know of Tier I organizations advertising themselves as "triple A" teams. Certainly, the superior/elite teams rightfully should. In this scheme, a weaker Tier I team can opt to designate themselves as "double A" or "single A" team based upon its perceived strength. Likewise, Tier II organizations can designate their stronger teams as "double A" ("AA") and their weaker teams as "A." An application of this would be as follows: A Tier II organization may have a Squirt team that is predominantly made up of highly talented "major-aged" (i.e., second year) players and as such, consider this team as being very strong. This team would be designated as a Squirt Tier II "AA" team. Whereas its Bantam team that same season may be composed of a majority of "minor-aged" (i.e., first-year bantam) players and could thereby classify themselves as a Tier II "A" team. The coaching staff for each of our travel teams will be coming up with their designation based on their assessment of the team. So designated, each team will then be able to seek out the most appropriate level of competition for itself which will hopefully eliminate one-sided games, along with the confusion and dismay expressed by parents and players who have been heard saying things like "The New Jersey Penguins are an "A" team. Why are we playing them?"

Since these are designations are of our own choosing, we can adjust them should the team prove stronger or weaker than originally perceived. These designations will also help us in selecting and entering our teams into appropriate levels at tournaments.

Referee Seminars for Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4:

Sun. 8/14/05 8:00 a.m. Sports Plus, Lake Grove
Sun. 9/11/05 8:00 a.m. Chelsea Piers, NYC
Sun. 9/18/05 9:30 a.m. Cantiague Park, L.I.
Fri. 9/23/05 6:00 p.m. Freeport Rec Ctr., L.I.
Sun. 9/25/05 10:00 a.m. Abe Stark, Coney Island
Sun. 10/9/05 9:30 a.m. Cantiague Park, L.I.
Sun. 10/30/05 11:00 a.m. Cantiague Park, L.I. L4 only

For seminars at other dates & locations go to <http://www.newyorkhockeyofficials.com/>. Please come prepared with pen, paper, helmet without facemask, whistle and skates. If you already have a referee jersey and pants, please wear them. Sweatpants and a sweatshirt are also allowed.

The Arrows Website is located at <http://www.arrowsyouthhockey.org>. From our site, you will be able to keep up with the most recent Arrows announcements as well as access our Arrows Apparel Store, Used Equipment Exchange, Team Game/Practice Schedules and Stats and much, much more.