

Offside Skate

Official Newsletter for the South Carolina Stingrays Boosters Association



FROM THE PRESIDENT

The temperatures are starting to drop a little and pumpkin spice everything is showing up all over the place. These omens mean only one thing, our favorite time of year has arrived...HOCKEY SEASON!!

Training camp is now underway at the ice palace and we have had the chance to see the players on the ice. Friday night brings the first preseason game. I can't wait to catch back up with my hockey family and of course cheer on my favorite team. LET'S GO RAYS!!!!



- Nancy Sullivan

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Road Pack

It's almost our favorite time of year again, and the Road Pack Committee can use any INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED snacks (chips, cookies, nuts). Bottled water and Gatorade (12 ounce bottles) are also always welcome. Gift cards to Sam's or Costco also help. Once we get into the season a bit, I'd love to have a couple of volunteer bakers. It's always nice to be able to send some home baked goodies on the

longer road trips. If you have any questions or have items to drop off, please call me.

Thank you!
Tess Hagan
670-428



Player Apartments

It's that time of year again, HOCKEY TIME! That means our players will be arriving soon. Many of these players arrive with nothing more than their gear and clothes. This makes it easier for them to move back and forth between the leagues. Each year the booster club provides the necessities for their apartments. While some things can be used year after year, many need to be replaced. Also, many of those reusable items wear out and need to be replaced. Donations are needed throughout the season, but are most needed at the beginning of the season. This year, we are in need of the following items.

- quilts, bedspreads, or comforters (Queen or King)
- queen sheets
- shower liners
- shower curtain hooks
- standard size pillows
- coffee makers
- toasters
- cookie sheets

You can also donate money on the Boosters website.

If you have anything you would like to donate, you can drop it off at the Stingrays office or call or text me at (843)270-2300.

Thank you so much for all your help and donations.

Donna Gelwicks

Membership

If you have a change of address, phone number, or email address please let me know. This will allow me to keep our records up to date. I may be contacted at 762-1274, bethbell52@yahoo.com, or at raysboosternews@gmail.com.

I have a few emails that are no longer working or not translated correctly by me from your application. If you are not receiving SC Stingray Booster emails, please email me at one of the emails below. I will update your record.

You may renew your membership online with paypal! Go to: <http://www.raysboosters.com/memberapp.html>.

Player Scrapbooks

Now that the players have arrived, we would like to begin working on the player scrapbooks. This is a large undertaking and as such we

would like to make it a "team" activity. The committee will be meeting twice a month to work on the scrapbooks. We can't get these books completed with out a large

team of folks willing to give us just a few hours during a couple of days a month. We would also gladly accept any donations of materials. Items that are always helpful are card stock, adhesive, hockey themed stickers, letter stickers and rub ons. Please email me at starlitnight@gmail.com with Player Scrapbooks in the subject line if you would like more information on dates and times or you have supplies you would like to donate. Thank you.



Becky Niesen
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Band-Aid Drive

The South Carolina Stingrays Booster Association (and the South Carolina Stingrays) are again collecting "Child Themed Latex Free" band-aids to donate to MUSC Childrens Hospital Nurses. MUSC only provides "adult" band-aids and not "Child Themed" band-aids. When you are a child, a cool band-aid with a cartoon character or tough looking camo makes the ouch go away faster. Because of this, the nurses purchase them with their own money. All boxes of band-aids collected will be given to MUSC nurses at the end of the season. The band-aids must be "late free" or "not made with natural latex rubber" and must state so on the box. "Band-Aid" brand are not latex free.

However, many other less expensive brands are. Please pass the word to all your friends to bring a box or several and drop them off at the Booster Table or at the Stingray's game table at the next game.



Is Hockey Hard?

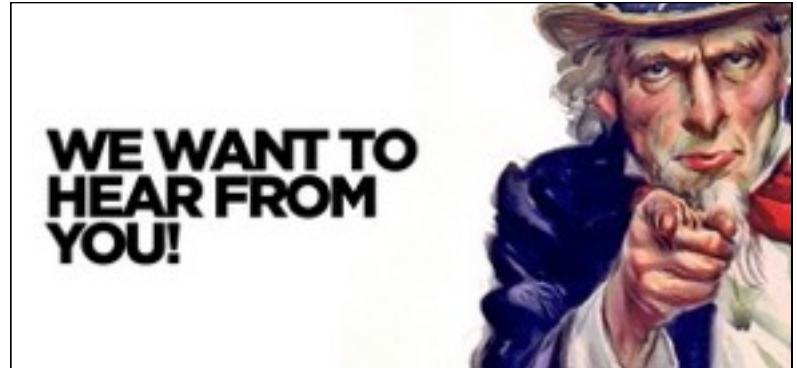
"I don't know, you tell me. We need to have the strength and power of a football player, the stamina of a marathon runner, and the concentration of a brain surgeon. But we need to put all this together while moving at high speeds on a cold and slippery surface while 5 other guys use clubs to try and kill us, oh yeah, did I mention that this whole time we're standing on blades 1/8 of an inch thick? Is Ice Hockey Hard? I don't know, you tell me... Next question."

— Brendan Shanahan

Hey there, Booster Members!! It's a new season and that means time for your newsletters to start back up. While last year there were lots of new

bits and pieces of the newsletter, there is always room for improvement. I have composed a little anonymous survey for your input on what you want to see in this coming season's newsletter. Also, if you have a player you want to see featured or specific questions for a player, please shoot me an email and I will

see what I can do. Please go to the link and let me know what you think or mail responses to:



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1. What do you like the most about the newsletter currently?
2. What would you like to see more of?
3. What would you not like to see that is in the newsletter now?
4. Is it OK if i contact you for follow up if needed?

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October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9 7:05PM Preseason Game @ Ice Palace	10 7:05PM Preseason Game @ Ice Palace
11 Kick Off Party 3:00 – 5:00	12	13	14	15	16	17 Mother Emanuel AME Church Family Night 7:05PM Home vs. Reading Royals
18 Post Game Meet and Greet 3:05PM Home vs. Reading Royals	19	20	21	22	23 7:00PM Away vs. Greenville Swamp Rabbits	24 Great Outdoors Night 7:05PM Home vs. Greenville Swamp Rabbits
25 Post Game Skate Princess and Pirate Night 3:05PM Home vs. Atlanta Gladiators	26	27	28 7:30PM Away vs. Florida Everblades	29	30 7:30PM Away vs. Florida Everblades	

Affiliate News

Hershey Bears

Bears training camp has wrapped up and they have released a roster. This roster includes their captain, Garrett Mitchell, and alternate captains, Mike Moore, Chris Bourque, and Zach Sill, as well as some familiar names to Stingray's fans.

GOALTENDERS (2): Dan Ellis, Justin Peters

DEFENSEMEN (8): Madison Bowey, Erik Burgdoerfer, Connor Carrick, Christian Djoos, Tyler Lewington, Mike Moore, Aaron Ness, Ryan Stanton

FORWARDS (13): Riley Barber, Travis Boyd, Chris Bourque, Carter Camper, Paul Carey, Dustin Gazley, Caleb Herbert, Garrett Mitchell, Liam O'Brien, Chandler Stephenson, Zach Sill, Jakub Vrana, Nathan Walker

The Bears will play their home opener on Saturday, October 24.

Washington Capitals

The Capitals begin the 2015-16 season at Verizon Center on Saturday against the New Jersey Devils. This marks the second time the Capitals have faced the Devils in their season opener. Washington defeated New Jersey 6-1 at Verizon Center on Oct. 6, 2001, in the Capitals' first game of the 2001-02 season. Washington is 6-1-0-1 all-time in season openers at Verizon Center. The Capitals are 98-74-13-13 all-time against the Devils and 58-29-6-7 at home against New Jersey. Washington was 4-1-0 against the Devils last season and outscored New Jersey 17-6.

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Just facts

1. It's known that hockey has been around since at least 1363, when Edward III of England banned the sport in a royal proclamation.
2. Prior to the 1960s, hockey sticks were straight. Stan Mikita, a Chicago Blackhawks Hall of Famer is credited with introducing the curve to the stick in the 60s
3. The record for most points in a single game is held by Darryl Sittler. He had 10 points in a game in 1976 between his team, the Leafs, and the Bruins. The Leafs won.

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