



Cortland County Youth Hockey Newsletter

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The last two years of my CCYHA Board participation have been educational and rewarding. The experience has provided me with greater insight into the different needs at each age level, how the budget and fees are constructed, and the problems and issues that require careful attention. I have been rewarded by meeting many IP and Mite parents and skaters with smiles knowing that they represent the future of our hockey association.

I also have been fortunate to work with eight other colleagues in a respectful, friendly, and productive environment. Lisa Zehr (Vice President), David Potter (Treasurer), and Brian Pepper (Fund Raising Director) have given their heart, soul, and sweat in serving their three year terms. Please thank these individuals for their commitment to CCYHA when you see them.

There are now three open seats on the CCYHA board. Please read on to learn how interested CCYHA members can place their name in consideration for the board of directors election taking place in the next few weeks.

Your assistance is also requested in completing the end of year coaching evaluation survey. And, we're looking for your love of the great sport of hockey to continue just a little longer...please take a look at the Fire On Ice tournament schedule (see right column) then sign up to volunteer.

Good luck to CCYHA teams headed to Sectional tournament play this weekend - and to all of our teams competing in the final weeks of the season.

Yours in Hockey,

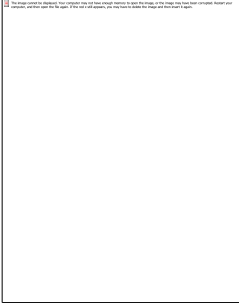
Steve Broyles President

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Fire On Ice Tournament



Kevin Ayer and Becky Martin have fired-up a great 2011 Fire-on-Ice Tournament. We are very excited to host our only tournament this year the weekend of March 4, 5, and 6.

Thank you to each of the teams for providing raffle baskets and/or raffle items to the tournament! Several CCYHA skaters submitted t-shirt designs for the tournament. The beautiful winning design will be proudly displayed above was drawn by Caligh Beth Stone, age 10 who is a member of the Cortland Flames Squirt Team. It will be printed on the program cover, as well as the tournament shirts and water bottles. **Thank you Caligh for sharing your talents on - and off! - the ice.**

In the next few weeks we will be asking teams to give of their time to manage the game clocks, score sheets, penalty boxes, raffles, and other events. For those who don't have games that weekend, we invite you to enjoy the youthful moments of hockey by volunteering and participating in Fire on Ice. Our volunteer help allows parents of the Mite and I.P. skaters to watch their skaters compete and help with pre/post game preparations without having to immediately get back to a volunteer position. Thank you in advance for your help and support!

[Fire On Ice Schedule - TAKE A LOOK!](#)

CCYHA Board Elections

Service on the CCYHA Board of Directors is vital to the continued success of youth hockey in Cortland. Your association needs interested candidates who work well with other parents, are committed to improving the experience of CCYHA skaters, and enjoy a sense of accomplishment through volunteer efforts to step forward and take on this leadership role. In particular, we are in need of an organized individual with some accounting skills to serve as Treasurer.

We encourage anyone interested in this volunteer opportunity to draft a short biographical sketch (one type-written page) illustrating your desire to serve on the board. Please include any skills that might contribute toward your success and your

current association with CCYHA. A personal photo can be included on your bio.

Biographical sketches should be submitted to Lisa Zehr at lrz8@cornell.edu by Sunday, February 19. Sketches will be displayed in the glass case in the foyer outside the ice rink. Voting will occur the week of February 28 through Friday, March 4. Ballots will be given to team managers who will distribute to the parents on their team. A ballot box will be placed in the foyer near the rink entrance. Please be sure to cast your vote.

Coaching Evaluations



Each year at the end of the season, CCYHA asks for your input in helping to plan the next year. Through our online survey, your feedback is used to help Coaching Director,

Don Armstrong and the Board of Directors to identify coaches and improve the hockey experience for skaters and family members.

A short, ten question survey has been designed to receive your feedback. The survey is designed through a free, online service. Participation in the survey is completely anonymous. Your name or other identifying information is not recorded with your responses. If you are a family with multiple skaters, then you will be able to complete separate surveys for each team your skaters participated on.

The survey will be open through Friday, March 18 at 5:00 P.M. The information will be collected into a report that is provided to coaches, the Coaching Director, and the Board of Directors. Your feedback is valuable to mold and guide CCYHA to serve the skater's skill, development and passion for the game. To complete the survey, simply click the following link:

[CONFIDENTIAL Coach Evaluation Survey](#)

I am potential!

