



IYHA Update January 17, 2007

Another fun week in Hockey Land! Pee Wee Travel just missed adding to their trophy case, we served up some great meals at two fundraisers, and some exciting action in the House games. Let's get this Update started...

Travel and UNY Reports



Last weekend after dropping their opening game of the Oswego Power Play Tournament, **Pee Wee Travel** came back strong but just missed out on a berth in the championship game. Ithaca dropped the opener to a tough Camillus squad 4-1 on Friday evening. But the team rallied to overwhelm two Ontario, Canada teams pounding South Stormont 10-2 and Nepean 8-1. However, the team's stirring comeback fell short in a heartbreaking 6-5 cross-over game loss to host Oswego in sudden death overtime.

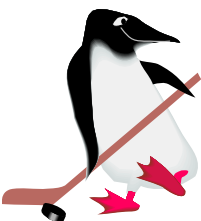
Once again, Teo Camadella led the Ithaca Pee Wees scoring with a 12 goal, 4 assist performance. Other leading scorers were Chuckie Benedict (2 goals, 5 assists), Dan McGill (3 goals, 3 assists), and Sam Currie (2 goals, 2 assists). In goal, Danny Leonardo registered 39 saves for the weekend while Wes Feeney stopped 40 shots.

Other members of the team contributing to the comeback effort include: Michael Abdulky, Kevin Bilinski, Ryan Emerson, Roey Goldstein, Keenan Hughes, Jeffrey Kirkwood, Luke Mendola, Kengo Onishi, Ian Patrican, and Kyle Wilson. The team is coached by Head Coach Larry Emerson and Assistant Coaches Russ Johnson and Ray Wilson. Team Manager is Dan Benedict and Marika Briggs is the Scheduler.

Thanks to Marsha Emerson for the report.

Mite/Initiation House Report

Here's the results from another exciting weekend of Mite House League play.



In a contest that was much tighter than the final score indicated, **Reamer's Recycling** topped **McCarthy Builders**

4-1. Two of Reamer's goals came near the end of the game on an open net as McCarthy tried to close the gap. Craig Moster went top shelf to score with just four seconds left in the game to put McCarthy on the board and avoid the shutout. Reamers scoring efforts were led by Bailee Brekke and Graham Mandl with two goals each. Putting up a tough defense for the Recyclers were: Ben Hallisey, Woocheol Hyun, Keane Niday, Connor Thayer and goalie Richie Kuhar. Reamer's forwards did a great job spreading out and passing the puck, including: Terrance Brand, Brian Conuel, Jaeyoon Kim, Cameron Riley, Jack Travis, Nick Yowan and Alex Zavaski. For McCarthy, Steven Carman played a strong game in goal, allowing just two and making some remarkable saves. The Builders received good defensive efforts from: James Cronin, Jarek Makarchuk, Grady Simpkins-Marston and CJ Smiley. McCarthy forwards Alex Bahar, Michael Barber and Ryan Franzese each just missed scoring, while Duncan McAllister, Rip Oh, and Sean O'Neil also put in a good effort on offense.

Certified Properties of Tompkins County won its first game of the season 4-1 over **Papa John's**. Devon DiMarco put up a brick wall in goal for CPTC with 18 saves and assisted by the stellar play of defensemen Kyle Anderson and James Vought. Nick Miller's two goals led the way for the CPTC offense which also featured strong two way play from forwards Jack Salmon, Nick Pagliaro, Matty Pagliaro, Giulio Ciaschi and Dylan Davenport. Papa John's goal was scored by Andrew Troy with an assist from Scott Partington. Mason Thomas and Cameron Hartman both had a few good scoring chances on offense. Papa John's defense was led by goalie Daniel Halpern with some key saves, while Nathan Minnick, Nick John, Drew Goldberg and Walker Gruen all put in a strong effort, some playing defense for the first time this season.

IYHA's **Mite "B"** team dropped an 8-1 game vs Elmira on Sunday despite some sharp saves by Graham Mandl in goal for Ithaca. Ithaca's offense had many good passing plays but were only able to get one in the net when Craig Moster passed to Nick Miller on a two on one in the 2nd period. Also playing with intensity for Ithaca on offense were: Yoon Shin, Jaeyoon Kim, Michael Barbar, Alex Bahar, Andrew Troy, Steven Carmen and Scott Partington. On defense Bailee Brekke, Madison Gneo, Griffin Varrichio and Collin Case all gave great effort.

The Ithaca Mites salvaged a 1-1 tie in a 20 minute "bonus" game. Scott Partington passed the puck from the top left circle across to Steven Carmen in the slot who then got off a quick shot for the Ithaca goal.

Recreation League



For those of you who have Pee Wee aged players or above, I recommend stopping down Cass Park on Monday evenings at 7pm and check out the IYHA **Recreation League** action. Joe Sullivan runs the program for us. No drills, no structure, Joe just drops the puck and the players go at it for 90 minutes of fast-paced, end-to-end, high scoring hockey. This past Monday's final score was 23 - 16, the White team won by a touchdown! We usually get about 20 players showing up, from a broad range of levels including: Midget, Bantam and Pee Wee, Travel, UNY and Snowbelt, some who only play Rec. and several TGHA players. They youths split up wearing white or red and play away. It's a no-check, limited slap shot game with referees. We have a small, but dedicated group of fans who come out and enjoy this brand of entertaining hockey. Check it out, Rec is a blast!

IYHA Team Fundraisers

The **Bantam Snowbelt** team's Pancake Breakfast was a big success last weekend. The team hit their fundraising goal thanks to great support from the IYHA community. Coordinator Yvonne Everhart extends a **BIG THANK YOU** to the Elks Lodge. She appreciated the Elks sharing their beautiful new facility and donating the food. Yvonne also gives a **BIG THANK YOU** to the parents for doing the cooking and cleaning and the players who helped serve, do the dishes and stand in the rain with the sign.

The Eagles Club and the Cornell Big Red Hockey team made the **Pee Wee Snowbelt #2** team's fundraising spaghetti dinner on Sunday night a smashing success! The Eagles Club was packed with diners the entire evening. More than 250 complete dinners and more than 30 take-out orders were served. Throughout the evening young hockey fans ate dinner with the players and they obtained autographs from the team. Pee Wee player Chandler Pfaff won the Cornell Hockey Camp raffle and Mite hockey player Daniel Halpern (Papa John's team) won the hockey stick signed by the Cornell players. Many,

many thanks to the Eagles Club for helping the team raise funds! Many thanks to Mike Schafer and the Big Red for joining the team for dinner!

Wrapping It Up

We've got some developments coming up with our 50th Anniversary Committee. We're continuing to work on the history book, we're working on a series of newspaper articles and we are beginning planning on an end of season gala. More news on this to come over the next few weeks.

Hey, if you've got some highlights on your team's games or other activities, send them my way via email. Love to share them with the rest of IYHA through our weekly Update. Send photos too!

See you around the rinks ----- Rick Kuhar