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Bowling Green Youth Hockey Association January 2010



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Youth Hockey Day January 30th

Schedule:

9:00am-10:00am Mini Mites vs. Findlay

10:00am-10:45am IP

11:00am-12:00pm Hockey Weekend Across America Bring a Friend to the Rink Day

12:00pm-1:00pm Skate With the Bobcats

1:15pm-2:15pm Mites vs. Sylvania

2:30pm-3:30pm Squirt Travel vs. Findlay

3:45pm-5:00pm Pee Wee Travel vs. Sylvania 97

5:15pm-6:15pm Squirt House vs. Fremont

6:30pm-7:45pm Bantam Travel vs. Indianapolis

There will be lots of off ice games for the kids to play, raffles, tye dye t-shirts, concessions, Poppin George Carmel Corn, awards and much more.

Donations are still being sought for our YHD raffle. If you, your friends/family or company have items that you are willing to share, please contact the board.

For those of you who have offered to donate for the cake walk, please have your cake/cupcakes/brownies/etc. to the arena on Saturday by 10am. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please contact info@bgyouthhockey.org to make other arrangements. Thank you!

Bring a canned good/non-perishable food item to Youth Hockey Day to be donated to a local food pantry. You will be able to redeem your food item for four game/food tickets.

We are looking for pictures from this season to use in our Youth Hockey Day program as well as to update our website. If you have some shots that you are willing to share, please email them to info@bgyouthhockey.org.

Coaches – please be sure that you have sent in the names of your players from this season's team picture. Your help is needed to identify our players for the program.

BGYHA Night at the Falcon Game

Youth hockey night at the Falcon game is Saturday, January 23rd. Game time is 5:05pm. Attend the game and you can be entered to be a part of the pre-game player introductions. Tickets are \$4 each. To purchase tickets please place cash or check in an envelope with your name on it in the BGYHA mailbox at the ice arena by Tuesday January 19th. Please make checks out to BGYHA.

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Hockey Weekend Across America-January 29-31

USA Hockey is having their second annual HWAA. Friday is wear your hockey jersey to school day. Representatives from BGYHA will be at local schools to take pictures. Be a part of the fun. Saturday is Bring A Friend To The Rink Day. Free hockey instruction will be given from 11am-12pm so ask your friends to come and join in the fun. Some equipment is available but bike helmets and winter gloves are all that is necessary. The Ice Arena will be providing free skates. Sunday is honor a local hockey legend. Come to the Bobcat hockey game at 1:00 on Sunday where BGYHA will be honoring a local hockey legend.

Board Elections

BGYHA will be holding their annual elections on Youth Hockey Day. There will be several positions available and your help is greatly needed. With an outstanding IP class, the renovations to the Ice Arena and lots of positive feedback from you the organization is headed in the right direction. Please be a part of growing youth hockey as we move forward. Board positions are for three years and new board members are eligible for \$100 off of their yearly fees. If interested please contact Mike Furnas at mfurnas@bgyouthhockey.org.

Hockey Tips of the Month

Do not fret over penalties not called during games and don't waste long-term heart power screaming at the referees. My observational research reveals the power-play percentage for every Mite hockey game ever played is .0000089 percent; for Squirts, .071 percent. I prefer referees to call zero penalties.

Yell like crazy during the game. Say whatever you want. Scream every kind of inane instruction you want to your kids. They can't hear you. In the car ride home, ask them if they had fun and gently promote creativity and competitiveness, but only after you take them to Denny's for a Junior Grand Slam breakfast or 7-Eleven for a Slurpee. Having a warm breakfast after an early morning weekend game will become one of your most syrupy sweet memories.

Enjoy the rink. Keep it fun, keep it in perspective and enjoy the madness. In this digital world of electronics, you may find hockey to be the most human endeavor you partake in. Cell phones run on batteries. Hockey players run on blood. Blood is warmer. Welcome.

**Reprinted from ESPN's John Buccigross' 13 Simple Rules For Hockey Parents.*

Comments/Suggestions

Please contact a board member if you have any comments or suggestions. This is your organization and feedback is important. You can email a board member directly or send a general email to info@bgyouthhockey.org.

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