

# ***What a Great Week for Kent Valley Hockey***

Kent WA 11 February, 2009 – It was a great weekend for the Kent Valley Hockey Association. Following are some of the reasons why it was so great.

***KVHA's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraising Auction:*** Our annual fundraising auction took place Saturday night as planned and was well attended. Last minute ticket sales boosted attendance close to our goal of 150. Volunteers packed up auction items early Saturday morning and transported them to the banquet rooms at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn. There, yet more volunteers set up the auction tables, set up our new Auction Pay computer network, and prepared for the 5:00pm opening. The first guests arrived at 4:45pm and began walking through the silent auction area. By 6:15pm the room was packed and the first silent auction table was closing. The food was terrific and following dinner we had the pleasure of hearing from Jim McTaggart of the Seattle Thunderbirds.

While there are still some bugs to be worked out with the auction check out process, it went much smoother than last year's auction. We hope to publish the financial report early next week. KVHA Thanks all members, the T-Birds' Jim McTaggart, our volunteers, sponsors and contributors for helping make this important fundraising event a success.

***Beginner Fest at ShoWare Center:*** How about those KVHA LTP players? The LTP parents and players sold 398 tickets to the February 8<sup>th</sup> Seattle Thunderbirds vs. Vancouver Giants game at ShoWare Center. During the day Sunday, and prior to the T-Birds' game, they skated on ShoWare Center ice for the Beginner Fest event. They also skated during a period break in the T-Birds' game.

Kent Valley's LTP player Cayden Stecks and his parents were responsible for selling 100 of the 398 tickets, more than any other LTP player. Therefore, Stecks won the honor of skating out onto the ice with and lining up with the T-Bird players during the pre-game ceremonies. Cayden looked pretty small compared to the five tall T-Bird players as he stood next to them during the National Anthems. However, he matched their height with his excitement and enthusiasm. Congratulations Cayden, you looked good out there!

***KVHA LTP Promotional Video:*** The Seattle Thunderbirds and KVHA partnered to produce a video that promotes Kent Valley's Learn to Play Hockey program. The video aired for the first time during a period break at the February 8<sup>th</sup> T-Birds game. We thank the Seattle Thunderbirds' videographer and narrator Ian Henry for their efforts in producing the video and promoting our LTP program. KVHA's Rena Sullivan assisted with the taping of video at Kent Valley Ice Centre during a LTP session.

***Sean MacFarlane suits up with Thunderbirds:*** You've probably seen and read the story about "Goalie Sean MacFarlane's Incredible Sunday." The exciting news of Sean's invitation from the Seattle Thunderbirds spread through the association like a California wildfire. What a thrill for Sean and his teammates with the Kent Valley U-18 Selects. Click here for the [Full Story!](#) Sean is practicing with the Thunderbirds this week and may travel with them to Everett Friday when they play the Silvertips. Way to go Sean!

What a weekend it was. Here's the rest of our KVHA News for February 7-8, 2009:

## ***Mite Lightning Strikes Burn the Seattle Jr. NW Admirals Black***

Mountlake Terrace, WA 7 February, 2009 – The Mite Lightning invaded Olympic View Ice Arena Saturday and threw two lightning strikes at the Seattle Jr. NW Admiral Black. Final score Kent Valley Lightning 2 to Seattle Jr. NW Admiral Black 0. The Lightning fired 17 shots on Seattle Jr's Stensland and she was able to turn away all but 2 of the shots. While Stensland stood up to the pressure her Admiral's teammates managed only 6 shots on Alex Bucci. Bucci stopped them all to skate away with the shut out. Way to go Lightning!

A scoring summary is below:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
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Kent Valley 1 6:30 Matthew Butson (Unassisted)  
 Kent Valley 3 4:32 Justin Pitzer (Unassisted)  
 Kent Valley's Alex Bucci earned a shut out as he stopped 6 of 6 shots on goal.  
 Seattle Jr's A Stensland turned away 15 of 17 shots on goal for 88%.  
 Kent Valley had 2 penalties for 4 minutes. Seattle Jr. skated penalty free.

## ***KVHA Mite Tornadoes Trick SnoKing Green***

Kent, WA 7 February, 2009 – JT Rimorin led off the Tornadoes scoring frenzy Saturday with an unassisted goal just 3:48 into the game. Kenny Gill scored his first of three goals at 11:09 of the first period with assists from Danny Smith and JT Rimorin. Brayden Shaw wrapped up the first period with a goal at 13:00, assisted by Danny Smith. Kenny Gill scored again at 4:10 of the second period and 8:41 of the third period to complete his Hat Trick. Both goals were unassisted. Nicholas Gill earned a shutout in goal for the Tornadoes as he stopped all 14 shots by SnoKing Green.

The win was the second coaching win for Coach Harry Smith as he took over coaching duties from Head Coach Steve Mertel during Mertel's absence. The Tornadoes are leading in the Mite NPSHL league with 14 wins, 1 loss and 28 total points. Below is the scoring summary:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
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Kent Valley 1 3:48 JT Rimorin (Unassisted)  
 Kent Valley 1 11:09 Kenny Gill from Danny Smith & JT Rimorin  
 Kent Valley 1 13:00 Brayden Shaw from Danny Smith  
 Kent Valley 2 4:10 Kenny Gill (Unassisted & Power Play)  
 Kent Valley 3 8:41 Kenny Gill (Unassisted & Hat Trick)

Kent Valley's Nicholas Gill stopped 14 of 14 shots on goal to earn a shutout.  
 SnoKing's Frantz stopped 7 of 12 shots on goal for 58%.  
 SnoKing had 2 penalties for 4 minutes while Kent Valley went penalty free.

## ***Squirt Tornadoes Mauled by Grizzlies in Everett KVHA Tornadoes 3 - Everett Grizzlies 7***

***Story contributed by Kristine Langmack***

Everett, WA 7 February, 2009 – It was an early day for the Tornadoes with an 8:15 start in Everett. Everett came out fire up, scoring 3 back-to-back goals in the 1<sup>st</sup>.

After a stick to the ribs, Wyatt King in goal for the Tornadoes woke up after that early morning ride and stopped what he could but the Grizzlies were drilling him all game long. The total shots on goal for the Grizzlies were 20. Wyatt put in a good day's work today – great job!! Andrew Bell had quite a day – scoring a hat trick. He kept possession and control to sink in 3 goals for the Tornadoes.

The highlight of the game for me was when Ryan "Happy Gilmore" Atkins, who out of nowhere did a wind up and slap shot that puck down the ice. Many of us spectators got a great laugh out of that. It was so unexpected coming from him and some much-needed levity to end a tough game.

Regardless of what the scoreboard reads, I think it's important for the coaches to instill sportsmanship. Let's be mindful that when a player goes down hurt – all players on **both** teams should take a knee. Let's make sure the player is OK and show the player our support by tapping our sticks on the ice to show that player that the game is sometimes rough but it is no one's intent to take a man out to put points on the scoreboard. Holding a team meeting with their backs to the injured player is disrespectful.

Here's the game summary:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
<b>Goals:</b>			
EYH Grizzlies	1	14:00	goal-B.Gardner,assist G.Sande
EYH Grizzlies	1	11:20	goal - B.Gardner
EYH Grizzlies	1	6:00	goal-E. Stark, assist B.Gardner
<b>KVHA Tornadoes</b>	2	8:00	goal - Andrew Bell
EYH Grizzlies	2	6:31	goal -Z.Cokos, assist W.Wylie
EYH Grizzlies	2	2:28	goal-G. Sande, assist E.Stark
EYH Grizzlies	2	:55	goal-W. Wylie, assist D.Chadwick
EYH Grizzlies	2	:26	goal-M. Doggett, assist M.Stark
<b>KVHA Tornadoes</b>	3	9:33	goal - Andrew Bell
<b>KVHA Tornadoes</b>	3	2:54	goal - Andrew Bell
<b>Penalties:</b>			
KVHA	2	8:00	roughing-S. Hege
KVHA	2	6:45	hooking - N.Schaper
EYH	3	8:05	slashing-W. Wylie
KVHA	3	4:30	tripping - R. Atkins
KVHA	3	1:13	roughing - C.Dosa

## ***Squirt Selects Fall to Second Place Seattle Jr. Admirals Blue 5 to 0***

Lynnwood, WA 8 February, 2009 – The Seattle Jr. Admirals Blue, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the PNAHA League, showed mercy in the third period of Sunday’s game with Kent Valley Squirt Selects. The Admirals scored 2 goals in the first period and 3 goals in the second to defeat the Selects 5 to 0. Mercy in the third period came in the form of Admiral passes and keep away tactics as they limited their shots on goal to just 9. It was a character building experience for the Selects who have struggled in PNAHA league play this season. Credit goes to the Selects for hanging in there and continuing to play hard against a stronger opponent.

SnoKing’s Ryan Green stopped 9 of 9 shots on goal to earn the Shutout. Kent Valley’s Cam Hansen was busy in all three periods as he stopped 26 of 31 shots on goal for an 84% save rate. The Kent Valley Selects had 4 penalties for 8 minutes while the Seattle Jr. Admirals matched them at 4 for 8.

## ***PeeWee Hurricanes (0) Seattle Jr. Badgers (2)***

Kent, WA 7 January, 2009 – The Seattle Jr. PeeWee Badgers can take pride in Saturday’s league win over the Hurricanes, but just barely. The Badgers edged the Hurricanes 2 to 0 but only out shot the Hurricanes by one shot on goal. The game could have easily gone the other way as the Hurricanes improved their offense with each period getting 3 shots in the first, 5 shots in the second and 6 shots in third. Credit Badgers’ goalie Bourne with the win. He had a terrific game. Aaron Mathews played well in goal for the Hurricanes shutting out the Badgers in the third period as his teammates applied pressure on the Badgers goal.

A scoring summary is below:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Badgers	1	12:45	K. Gibson (Unassisted)
Badgers	2	8:55	I. Melkerson (Unassisted)

Kent Valley’s Aaron Mathews stopped 13 of 15 shots on goal for 87%.

Seattle Jr's Bourne stopped 14 of 14 shots on goal to earn a shutout.  
Each team had 2 penalties.

## ***Kent Valley Bantam Tornadoes Tie Up Grizzlies 2 to 2***

Kent, WA 8 February, 2009 – The Kent Valley Bantam Tornadoes took a 2 to 0 lead before the Everett Grizzlies got angry and fought back. However, the Tornadoes were able to contain the Grizzlies and escape with a NPSHL league play tie on Sunday. Brendan Laik scored both Kent Valley goals. Brady Anderson and Rebecca Gicewicz assisted Brendan's first goal and Rebecca Gicewicz and Wyatt Duncan assisted the second goal.

A scoring summary is below:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Kent Valley	1	0:08	Brendan Laik from Brady Anderson and Rebecca Gicewicz
Kent Valley	2	4:13	Brendan Laik from Rebecca Gicewicz and Wyatt Duncan
Everett	2	3:25	Jared Cote (Unassisted)
Everett	3	5:53	Conner Lindgren from Keith Waters & Jared Cote

Kent Valley Dane Shaver stopped 9 of 11 shots on goal for 82%.

Everett's Blake Leslie stopped 17 of 19 shots on goal for 90%.

Kent Valley had 6 penalties for 20 minutes while Everett had 4 penalties for 8 minutes.

## ***Kent Valley Bantam Tier-II Selects (7) SnoKing Bantam "B" (2)***

Kent, WA 8 January, 2009 – Kent Valley's Bantam Tier-II Selects peppered the SnoKing Bantam "B's" with a total of 41 shots on goal over three periods while SnoKing managed to get only 15 shots on the Kent Valley goal. SnoKing's Coach David Larue pulled goalie Grimm early in the second period after Grimm allowed 4 goals on 17 shots. Kozlak, the replacement goalie fared somewhat better as he turned away 21 of 24 shots on goal allowing only 3 goals. However, the goalie swap didn't change the outcome as the Selects defeated SnoKing 7 to 2.

A scoring summary is below:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Kent Valley	1	2:13	Noah Bloxton from Miles Hansen
SnoKing	1	5:20	D Doxsie from D Larue (Power Play)
SnoKing	1	9:37	D Larue from T Jendro & R Gunderson
Kent Valley	1	11:47	Grant Wilson from Colton Bohonos & Johnny Scherer (Power Play)
Kent Valley	1	13:43	Miles Hansen from Brandon Endres
Kent Valley	2	12:02	Steven Farwell from Dane Dahline & Jake Becker
Kent Valley	2	14:39	Johnny Scherer from Grant Wilson & Mikey Julin
Kent Valley	3	0:33	Mikey Julin from Kale Pokrzywinski
Kent Valley	3	11:07	Kale Pokrzywinski (Unassisted)

Kent Valley's Curtis Rydrych stopped 13 of 15 shots on goal for 87%.

SnoKing's goalies stopped 34 of 41 shots on goal for 83%.

Kent Valley had 10 penalties for 20 minutes while SnoKing had 12 penalties for 24 minutes.

## ***Midget Tornadoes Clinch Top Playoff Spot With Weekend Win***

*Story by Sheri Walsh*

Renton, WA February 7, 2009 -- The Midget Tornadoes will enter the NPSHL Playoffs in first place after beating Sno-King Grey 3-1 on Sunday. The win in Renton was hard-fought and ended with a scuffle as the Tornadoes secured their playoff spot early. Kent came out strong in the first period outshooting Sno-King by a margin of 2-to-1, but the Grey were first on the board. Defenseman Ben Fleming tied things up early in the second with a laser from high slot assisted by Kyle Miller Smith. The Tornadoes then took control in the third as their shots on goal increased to a margin of 3-to-1. Paul Pinkoske scored the winning goal after being set-up nicely by Tommy Peebles and Julius Bush. But, the game was far from over as Sno-King took the play into the Tornadoes zone. After a couple of close calls and just over a minute left, Taylor Birkeland scored a blocker-side insurance goal thanks to assists by Tanner Coughlin and Blake Walsh. The Tornadoes win 3-1 and secure first place for the playoffs with a 13-and-2 record. Congratulations guys!

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
SKAHA	1	4:29	Mochizuki from Myers
KVHA	2	9:12	Ben Fleming from Kyle Miller Smith
KVHA	3	10:54	Paul Pinkoske from Tommy Peebles & Julius Bush
KVHA	3	1:14	Taylor Birkeland from Tanner Coughlin & Blake Walsh

Have a great week!

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