



KVHA News – KVHA Auction Date Moved to September 20th at Kent Valley Ice Centre

Kent Valley Ice Centre, Kent, WA. July 29, 2014 – KVHA members spoke and KVHA management listened. It was obvious, based on member feedback, that our proposed August 16th KVHA Auction date just wasn't going to work for many KVHA member families. So, we've picked Saturday September 20th as the new date for the KVHA 11th Annual Auction. The auction will run from 11:00am to 4:15pm giving everyone time to get to ShoWare Center for the Seattle Thunderbird's 7:05pm home opener against the Everett Silvertips.

KVHA is planning to make this mid-day auction format a unique opportunity for families to enjoy the fundraising event at the Kent Valley Ice Centre. "Flirtin With Smoke" will cater a lineup of "Barbecue Catering" for members to enjoy. The auction will include both a silent and live auction. An on-ice skills competition will be provided for KVHA players as well as a "Stick n' Puck" session, KVHA Member Family Public Skate session and KVHA Member Family Mini-Golf. Additional details will be provided over the coming weeks.

Reminder: A few KVHA members have not yet completed their 2013/2014 auction commitments. We encourage you to take care of your auction obligation at your earliest convenience. Please contact Rena Sullivan if you have any questions.

Kent Valley's 16U Tier-I Rainiers Scheduled for Labor Day USHL Western Shootout in San Jose - Aug. 29 - Sep. 1

Kent Valley Ice Centre, Kent, WA. July 23, 2014 – Adam Speer, Manager of Kent Valley's 16U Tier-I Rainiers, announced today that the 16U Rainiers will play in USHL Western Shootout in San Jose, California, over the Labor Day weekend. Speer said, "Games will start on Friday afternoon and end by noon on Monday. We are guaranteed 4 games." Rainiers' Coach, Danny Lorenz said, "This tournament will be a great early test for our guys."

The following information is reprinted from the tournament web site:

The San Jose Jr. Sharks are proud to announce that USHL Western Shootout, a partnership between San Jose Sharks and the USHL, will return to San Jose over Labor Day Weekend 2014. The USHL is the top Junior Hockey League in the United States, and will once again return for the **10th Annual** Labor Day Tournament. The USHL has 16 member teams located in Midwestern United States consisting of players who are 20 years of age and younger. The USHL is strictly amateur, allowing former USHL players to compete in NCAA College. The tournament will feature top AAA programs from throughout the country. USHL Staff and Scouts will be in attendance and there will also be USHL Seminars throughout the weekend for all players in attendance.

This is an Invitational Tournament for Peewee AAA, Bantam AAA, Midget 15AAA, Midget 16AAA, and Midget 18AAA teams. Games will start on Friday afternoon and end by noon on Monday. Teams are guaranteed 4 games. Games are 50 minutes stop-time, two 25 min. periods with an ice cut in between periods. Our goal is to provide a high level AAA season opening experience while allowing players exposure to the USHL.

Final Tryouts set for 16U Tier-I Rainiers, Aug 18, 19 & 20

Coach Danny Lorenz announced the scheduling of final tryouts for Kent Valley's 16U Tier-I Rainiers for August 18, 19 & 20 at Kent Valley Ice Centre. Ice times are:

Monday 08/18, 6:30-8:00pm

Tuesday 08/19, 8:15-9:30pm

Wednesday 08/20, 8:15-9:30pm

If you have any questions regarding the 16U Tier-I Rainiers, please contact Coach Lorenz at (253) 850-2400 X14 or via e-mail at Danny@KentValleyIceCentre.com.

Revisiting KVHA's Philosophy Regarding Player and Coach Movement between Local Associations

We are once again hearing rumors that a local association is playing enrollment games with families with multiple players where one player in the family wants to transfer to another association but the other player in the family does not want to transfer. The rub comes when one of the associations requires all or nothing. They won't allow a family to enroll one player in one association and the other player in another association.

Please understand that Kent Valley Hockey Association does not play that enrollment game. We are above that! We believe a hockey player should be free to choose where he/she plays hockey and a coach should be free to choose where he/she coaches hockey. This philosophy is defined in complete detail in a document KVHA approved in September of 2010 and posted on the KVHA web. [Click here](#) for the full document.

We appreciate that families have choices on how to spend their hockey dollars. For that reason, it is our goal to provide members the best overall hockey experience. We won't discriminate to boost our enrollment.

Rob Austin Will Coach Midget 18U Tier-II, Shane Planck Will Assist

Great news! Enrollment is turning out better than expected for the Midget 18U Tier-II level. Danny Lorenz, KVHA's Hockey Director, has appointed Rob Austin to coach the Midget 18U Tier-II team for 2014/2015. *"We were pleased to see the enrollment bump at the Midget Tier-II level. Rob Austin has the credentials and the desire to coach the Tier-II Selects. He is popular with parents and players alike. He is good fit for the Selects,"* Lorenz said.

Rob Austin is a USA Hockey Level IV certified coach. He has coached three seasons for Kent Valley. Austin will be assisted by Shane Planck, a Level III certified coach.

Tryouts for the Midget 18U Tier-II Selects will be:

Friday 08/08, 8:45pm
Saturday 08/09, 2:30pm
Sunday 08/10, 10:30pm

[Click here](#) for a tryout registration form.

Quote of the Day!

The True Meaning of Winning the Cup:

"As a kid growing up in Roseau [Minnesota], I had always dreamt about winning the Cup. I even wished for it, I really did. So to finally do it, to win it, it's almost indescribable. What a feeling. To raise it up above my head was an experience I will never forget. You get teary eyed and it gets pretty emotional. It was a huge accomplishment for sure. It didn't hit me right away either. I think it finally sunk in when we were driving in a bus down Michigan Avenue in Chicago at our victory parade and seeing over two million fans show up to cheer us on. That was so amazing. Those fans had waited nearly 50 years for that, and I was just so happy that I played a small role in giving that to them."

Dustin Byfuglien, Stanley Cup winner with Chicago 2010

Quote from **Raising Stanley - NHL LEGENDS IN THEIR OWN WORDS** by Ross Bernstein

Editor's note: Byfuglien currently plays for the NHL Winnipeg Jets. In the 2011 All-Star Game's Skill Competition his slap shot was clocked at 102.5 mph. Byfuglien is an avid fisherman, and competed in the 2011 Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship on Rainy

Lake. Byfuglien played for the Brandon Wheat Kings (2 seasons) and Prince George Cougars (3 seasons) of the WHL from 2001-2005.

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