

## ***Kent Events Center – 100 Days and Counting***

Kent, WA 29 September, 2008 – As of September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008, The Kent Events Center and the Seattle Thunderbirds were 100 days away from their January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008, grand opening. At a Kent Events Center Public Facilities District meeting last Thursday, Tim Higgins, General Manager for the Kent Events Center, stated; *"It's amazing how quickly 200 days became 100 days!"* Higgins and his staff are beginning to advertise job openings and fill positions in preparation for the January 2<sup>nd</sup> opening.

The Seattle Thunderbirds reported season tickets were going fast and they will likely reach their sales goal before opening night. Well over 90% of last year's season ticket holders have renewed, compared to 80% - 85% over the past few years at Key Arena. KVHA members can contact the Seattle Thunderbirds for tickets at 253-239-PUCK (7825).

Minneapolis-based Mortenson Construction, the lead contractor on the project, reports the facility is 75% complete with 100 days remaining. Mortenson indicated they would begin freezing the ice slab around Thanksgiving and flood the slab to begin building ice on or about December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Kent Events Center Location:** The Kent Events Center is located at West James Street and Fifth Avenue North, within walking distance to Kent Station, Sound Transit and Kent Commons. The location is strategically located for access to major transportation corridors, including access to and from SR-167, I-5 and I-405.

### **Kent Events Center Stats:**

- Approximate square footage: 150,000 square feet
- Scheduled opening: January 2, 2009
- Anchor tenant: Seattle Thunderbirds of the Western Hockey League
- Seating: Multi-use facility with seating capacity of up to 7,800, including a 6,100-seat ice arena for Thunderbird games and other ice events. Other configurations include basketball, indoor football and soccer, rodeo, motocross, consumer shows, and concerts, comedy or meetings for 2,000 to 7,800.
- Usage: Studies indicate that the center will host approximately 110 to 117 events annually, including about 40 Thunderbird games.

100, 99, 98, 97, 96, 95... Opening night will be here before you know it. ***Go Birds!***

## ***Lost & Found***

We are beginning to amass a quantity of unclaimed hockey related gear and attire. If any of these items belong to you, drop by the KVIC office and claim them.

- One Detroit Red Wings jersey, size Adult L,
- Two pair Mite size black gloves, Easton (*J. Smith*), & Bauer Vapors size 8"
- One Minnesota Wild jersey, no number, size Youth L/XL,
- One small black knit stocking cap,
- One small navy blue League Classic zip-up sweat shirt with a Heritage 35 label.

## **PNAHA Tiering Update**

Kent, WA September 29, 2008 – PNAHA Tiering Games continued over the weekend with some Kent Valley teams travelling for out-of-town games.

The following summaries were copied from the PNAHA web site:

<b>PNAHA PeeWee Tier-II Standings (as of 09/29/08)</b>								
<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Win</b>	<b>Loss</b>	<b>Tie</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Win %</b>
Kent Valley (NL) Rainiers	4	4	0	0	40	0	8	1.000
Spokane (NL)	4	4	0	0	31	5	8	1.000
SnoKing (NL)	4	3	1	0	13	4	6	0.750
Tri-Cities (L)	6	3	3	0	18	28	6	0.500
Kent (L) Selects	6	2	4	0	14	14	4	0.333
Seattle Jr. (L)	6	1	5	0	7	43	2	0.167
SnoKing (L)	6	1	5	0	7	36	2	0.167

<b>PNAHA Bantam Tier-II Standings (as of 09/29/08)</b>								
<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Win</b>	<b>Loss</b>	<b>Tie</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Win %</b>
Yakima (L)	6	6	0	0	54	0	12	1.000
Seattle Jr. (NL)	6	5	1	0	35	4	10	0.833
Whatcom (NL)	4	4	0	0	27	6	8	1.000
Tri-Cities (L)	5	3	2	0	18	15	6	0.600
Seattle Jr. (L)	8	2	5	1	15	36	5	0.250
Kent (L) Selects	7	2	5	0	12	30	4	0.286
SnoKing (L)	7	2	5	0	14	36	4	0.286
Spokane (NL)	5	1	3	1	12	27	3	0.200
Puget Sound (L)	4	0	4	0	1	34	0	0.000

<b>PNAHA Midget Tier-II Standings (as of 09/29/08)</b>								
<b>Team Name</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Win</b>	<b>Loss</b>	<b>Tie</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Win %</b>
Seattle Jr. (L)	6	5	1	0	34	5	10	0.833
SnoKing-1 (L)	5	4	1	0	15	2	8	0.800
Puget Sound (L)	5	3	2	0	19	6	6	0.600
Whatcom (NL)	5	3	2	0	12	11	6	0.600
Spokane (L)	2	1	0	1	6	2	2	0.500
Tri-Cities (L)	3	1	1	1	14	9	3	0.167
Kent (L) Selects	6	1	5	0	5	34	2	0.167
SnoKing-2 (L)	5	1	4	0	5	29	2	0.200
Wenatchee (L)	3	0	3	0	4	16	0	0.000

Any variance between the standings above and the game record below is the result of PNAHA having not yet received the official game report. The standings do not change until the official game record is received and verified. Therefore, the game record below is unofficial.

### **KVHA PeeWee (NL) Rainiers (4-wins/0-losses)**

09/18/2008 Kent (L) Selects **0** vs. Kent (NL) Rainiers **1** at Kent  
 09/20/2008 Kent (NL) Rainiers **15** vs. SnoKing (L) **0** at Kingsgate  
 09/21/2008 Seattle Jr. (L) **0** vs. Kent (NL) Rainiers **12** at Kent  
 09/27/2008 Kent (NL) Rainiers **12** vs. Tri-Cities (L) **0** at Tri-Cities

### **KVHA PeeWee (L) Selects (2-wins/4-losses)**

09/18/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	vs.	Kent (NL) Rainiers <b>1</b>	at Kent
09/20/2008	SnoKing (NL) <b>3</b>	vs.	Kent (L) <b>1</b>	at Kent
09/20/2008	SnoKing (L) <b>0</b>	vs.	Kent (L) <b>5</b>	at Kent
09/21/2008	Kent (L) <b>3</b>	vs.	Seattle Jr. (L) <b>1</b>	at Lynnwood
09/26/2008	Kent (L) <b>2</b>	vs.	Tri-Cities (L) <b>4</b>	at Tri-Cities
09/27/2008	Kent (L) <b>3</b>	vs.	Spokane (NL) <b>5</b>	at Tri-Cities

### **KVHA Bantam (L) Selects (1-wins/5-losses)**

09/19/2008	Puget Sound (L) <b>0</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>3</b>	at Kent
09/20/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>1</b>	vs.	SnoKing (L) <b>3</b>	at Kingsgate
09/20/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>2</b>	vs.	Seattle Jr. (L) <b>3</b>	at Lynnwood
09/21/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>3</b>	vs.	Whatcom (NL) <b>8</b>	at Puget Sound
09/21/2008	Seattle Jr. (NL) <b>7</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/26/2008	Yakima (L) <b>7</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/27/2008	Spokane (NL) <b>2</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>3</b>	at Kent
09/28/2008	Tri-Cities (L) <b>5</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>1</b>	at Kent

### **KVHA Midget (L) Selects (1-win/7-losses)**

09/19/2008	Seattle Jr. (L) <b>7</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/20/2008	Puget Sound (L) <b>7</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/21/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>1</b>	vs.	Whatcom (NL) <b>5</b>	at Puget Sound
09/21/2008	Kent (L) Selects <b>3</b>	vs.	SnoKing-2 (L) <b>5</b>	at Castle
09/23/2008	SnoKing-1 (L) <b>10</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/27/2008	Spokane (L) <b>10</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/27/2008	Tri-Cities (L) <b>5</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>0</b>	at Kent
09/28/2008	Wenatchee (L) <b>0</b>	vs.	Kent (L) Selects <b>1</b>	at Kent

## ***Bantam Tornadoes Test the Waters in Exhibition Play***

Kent, WA September 28, 2008 – It wasn't the start that the team hoped for, but it was a great test for the upcoming NPSHL season. The Tornadoes hosted the Seattle Jr Blades Sunday night in exhibition play. The Tornadoes got off to a rocky start as Seattle Jr. scored early in the first. Seattle would score once more and at the end of the first it was Seattle Jr. 2, Kent 0. Kent would be down 4 -0 at the end of the second. The team was starting to come together in the third when Brady Anderson took a beautiful pass from Holly Glaser and Will Walkey, to put a goal up on the board. But that would be the only one for the Tornadoes in a heart felt loss of 5-1. Dane Shaver faced 23 shots. The kids were excited to play the first game of the season and work out the cobwebs. Coach Gicewicz hands out 5 Kudo Awards at the end of every game.

- MVP – Brady Anderson
- Dish Award – Holly Glaeser
- Santa Claus – Braedon Billheirmer
- Best Defense – Paul Gicewicz
- Hardest Worker – Brendan Laik

All the players would like to Congratulate Holly. It was her first official game and she got an assist. WAY TO GO HOLLY. Keep up the good work.

Story by Mary MacDonald

## ***Midget Tornadoes Gear up for Season with Exhibition Win***

September 28, 2008, Kent, WA -- The Midget Tornadoes showed Bremerton they are ready to play after dominating the Outlaws 11-0 Sunday night in Kent. Jereme Clark started things off with a goal shortly into the first period as Paul Pinkoske hit the back of the net just a minute later. Taylor Birkeland, taking advantage of a power play, made it 3-0 by the first buzzer. Halfway through the second period, Justin Hill Sellers scored the team's fourth goal. But, it was during the third period that the Tornadoes really warmed-up knocking in seven goals! Tommy Peebles scored just one minute into the third, followed by Zac Cadiente scoring his first of two. Taylor Birkeland put another power play goal on the board, while Jereme Clark scored for the second time in the game. Two short-handed goals were scored in one shift alone thanks to Blake Walsh and Zac Cadiente. Finally, Paul Pinkoske wrapped things up with his second goal and the eleventh of the game. Goalie Josh Severeid made it a shut-out, while the Tornado's defense kept the shots on goal to only five. Great job everyone... bring on the season!

Story by Sheri Walsh

<b>Team</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Scoring</b>
KVHA	1	10:40	Jereme Clark from Zac Cadiente
KVHA	1	9:04	Paul Pinkoske unassisted
KVHA	1	7:06	Taylor Birkeland from Justin Hill Sellers & Kyle Miller-Smith (Power Play)
KVHA	2	7:05	Justin Hill Sellers from Kyle Miller-Smith & Taylor Birkeland
KVHA	3	13:20	Tommy Peebles from Paul Pinkoske
KVHA	3	12:05	Zac Cadiente from Jereme Clark
KVHA	3	7:30	Taylor Birkeland from Justin Hill Sellers (Power Play)
KVHA	3	6:12	Jereme Clark from Zac Cadiente
KVHA	3	4:21	Blake Walsh from Zac Cadiente (Shorthanded)
KVHA	3	3:53	Zac Cadiente from Blake Walsh (Shorthanded)
KVHA	3	2:33	Paul Pinkoske unassisted

## ***U-18 "AAA" Selects Reel in Idaho Jr. Steelheads***

Kent, WA September 28, 2008 – The Kent Valley U-18 Selects went on a fishing expedition Sunday and scored 10 goals against the Idaho Jr. Steelheads. It was the Select's third straight win in three outings. Ryan Doner scored five goals, Eliot Grauer two goals and one each from Alex Tindle, Tyler Dunn and Anthony Petruzzelli. Tyler Sybil earned four assists, Alex Tindle three, Corey James two, and one from Connor Bambico. Select's goalie Sean MacFarlane had a quiet game stopping 5 of 6 shots in the first period and 2 of 2 in the second. The Steelheads failed to get a shot on MacFarlane in the third period. The Selects put a total of 31 shots on the Steelhead's net in three periods.

The Idaho Jr. Steelheads only goal of the match came 13:18 into the first period when Shawn Grove scored with an assist from Clark Gayner. The Steelheads swapped goalies midway through the second period. Goalie Stephen Gibson

stopped 14 of 23 shots in the first half and Mack Morgan stopped 7 of 8 in the second half.

Penalties marred the game for both teams. The Kent Valley Selects had nine penalties for 37 minutes total while the Idaho Jr. Steelheads took nine penalties for a total of 42 minutes. Next up for the Kent Valley U-18 Selects is a trip to Portland on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> for two games with the Portland Jr. Winter Hawks.

A scoring summary follows:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
KVHA	1	4:36	Alex Tindle from Tyler Sybil
KVHA	1	8:06	Eliot Grauer from Alex Tindle
KVHA	1	9:57	Ryan Doner from Tyler Sybil
KVHA	1	11:57	Ryan Doner from Connor Bambico & Alex Tindle
KVHA	1	13:07	Eliot Grauer from Corey James
Idaho	1	13:18	Shawn Grove from Clark Gayner
KVHA	2	5:51	Ryan Doner from Alex Tindle
KVHA	2	7:57	Ryan Doner unassisted
KVHA	2	9:50	Tyler Dunn from Tyler Sybil
KVHA	2	10:31	Ryan Doner from Tyler Sybil
KVHA	2	11:30	Anthony Petruzzelli from Cory James

## ***Coming up This Weekend at Kent Valley Ice Centre***

Following are some of the hockey activities coming up this weekend, October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>:

### **Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup>**

**PeeWee Game** – Our KVHA PeeWee Hurricanes will face off against the Seattle Jr. PeeWee Blades at 9:10am for NPSHL league play.

**Mites Game** – This is the first ***"Battle of the Valley"*** between our KVHA Mite Tornadoes and KVHA Mite Hurricanes. It should be an exciting game and the first ever North Puget Sound Hockey League (NPSHL) game for many of these Mites. You won't want to miss this one at 10:20am!

### **Sunday October 5th**

**Bantam Game** – The KVHA Bantam Tornadoes will play the Kitsap County Bantam Outlaws in a NPSHL game at 1:30pm!

## ***On the Road Again***

Some of our teams are hitting the road for league and exhibition games this weekend. They are:

### **Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Our **Squirt Tornadoes** are traveling to Kingsgate on Saturday for their first NPSHL game. Go Tornadoes!

The **PeeWee Tornadoes** are traveling to Lynnwood on Saturday for their first NPSHL game.

## **Sunday October 5th**

The **Midget Tornadoes** are off to Bremerton Ice Arena to play the other Kitsap County Midget team. They defeated the Kitsap Outlaws 11 to 0 over this past weekend. How will they do against this other team? We'll see...

The **U-18 "AAA" Selects** travel to Portland for two exhibition games on Sunday. They defeated the Portland Jr. Winter Hawks two weekends ago in two games at Kent Valley Ice Centre. Do it again boys, you're on a roll.

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