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QCHA Night at Penguin's
Friday, October 23rd

Doors open 6:30 PM

Show starts at 8:00 PM

Mallard Players Meet & Greet 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle

Tickets are now available. Tickets are \$25 and include pre-show food and beer
Go to QuadCityHockey.com and download the order form on the QCHA Night at Penguins
article. Or contact Kerry Toporowski at (563) 650-3234 or Larry O'Brien at (563) 343-1401.

GOAL: Sell 300 admission tickets + a successful Silent Auction + raffle sales =
\$10,000 for QC Youth Hockey

How can you help?

- SELL SELL SELL ADMISSION TICKETS!**
- Can you or a business you know donate a Silent Auction item? Or be a Corporate Sponsor of the event?
- Would you like to volunteer to help out that evening?

Contact Kerry Toporowski to get Admission Tickets and for any questions about sponsorships and silent auction items.

QCHA Night at Penguin Comedy Club is open to anyone who enjoys live comedy and who wants to support QC youth hockey. Invite all your friends, family and coworkers to join the fun on October 23rd!



B.T.'s comedy combines into a high energy, well-written enthusiasm that audiences across the country are finding irresistible. He has appeared on HBO, BET, MTV, and Comedy Central. Rapidly seizing a niche for himself with an act that crosses all cultural lines, B.T.'s set moves from relationships, to sports to current events to race, jumping from topic to topic with his likeable, charming style.

Hockey Across the Quad Cities

Saturday, September 12, 2009

1:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

Quad City Sports Center

Come down and register for the Fall House Leagues, One-Goal and Travel Tryouts during the Hockey Across the Quad Cities event. Volunteers will be on-hand to assist you with the on-line registration and answer any questions you have regarding the Fall Season. Also check out the new Spirit Wear.

Come to REGISTER and stay for the FUN!!

USED EQUIPMENT

Need some equipment—not sure what you need or what size? Come down and check out the used equipment that is available for purchase. Volunteers will be available to answer questions regarding equipment and sizing. Can't find what you need—they can assist you by shopping on-line.



Dunk Tank & Jump House
Come out and dunk one of your favorite coaches or QCSC employees.
It's fun and best of all it will result in no penalties!

Bring a Buddy Event: PLAYERS—Wear your Hockey Jerseys to school on Friday, September 11. Invite your friends to come down and try hockey out for free on Saturday from 1-3p.m. (requires Helmet (ie., Bike). Sticks, pucks and free rental skates will be available.

QCHA Comedy Night Tickets will be available to purchase for the show on October 23 at Penguins Comedy Club

Complete the day by attending the Quad City Jr. Flames opening tournament game. Game starts at 7:00p.m. at the QCSC. All QCHA registered players will receive a complimentary ticket to the game!

TRAVEL TEAM TRYOUTS

2009-2010 Travel League Tryouts

All players who are interested in playing Travel League (Quad City Ice Eagles) for the 2009-2010 season must attend tryouts. Players are expected to attend both nights of their tryout. If a player is unable to attend tryouts they *must* contact the Head Coach prior to tryouts.

Coaches

The Travel coaches for the 2009-2010 season are

Mite	Todd Larsen	tym2ski1@msn.com
Squirt	Dan Holmes	Daniel_holmes@kenwal.com
PeeWee	Steve Andry	Steve.Andry@usbank.com
Bantam	Cary Slominski	SlominskiCaryJ@JohnDeere.com

Tryout Schedule

Mites (*Birth Year 2001 and Younger*)

Mon., Sept. 14th 6:45-7:45 PM

Wed., Sept. 16th 6:45-7:45 PM

PeeWees (*Birth Years 1998 & 1997*)

Mon., Sept. 14th 8-9 PM

Wed., Sept. 16th 8-9 PM

Squirts (*Birth Years 1999 & 2000*)

Tues., Sept. 15th 6:45-7:45 PM

Thurs., Sept. 17th 6:45-7:45 PM

Bantams (*Birth Years 1995 & 1996*)

Tues., Sept. 15th 8-9 PM

Thurs., Sept. 17th 8-9 PM

Players must arrive 1 hour before their ice times to complete all paperwork and get an assigned jersey. Each player must have proof of USA Hockey Registration for 2009-2010, a signed liability waiver (players under 18 must have it signed by a parent), ice fee payment and, if playing up, Travel Director approval.

Cost

Tryout fees will be \$50.00. This includes \$35.00 for try-out ice cost and \$15.00 QCHA Membership Fee. USA Hockey Registration also must be completed at \$36 per player for a total cost of \$86.00. QCHA Membership and USA Hockey membership is transferable to House Registration.

**Questions or concerns may be directed to
Travel Director Kerry Toporowski at (563) 650-3234.**

The QCHA Travel Policies and Guidelines can be found at
QuadCityHockey.com, link to "Forms" on the menu.

***USA Hockey Registration & QCHA Registration MUST be completed
before player is allowed to tryout! Deadline is SUNDAY, SEPT 13***

USA HOCKEY REGISTRATION

Sep-by-Step instructions for both USA Hockey and QCHA registration are at QuadCityHockey.com, choose "Online Registration" on the menu. Payment Options for House League are also there.

Who needs to register?

- All players from Mite thru High school
- Termite players must register but will not be charged a USA Hockey fee
- All House, Travel and Blues players
- Coaches at all levels

Registrations for USA Hockey for the 2009-2010 season are now being accepted at

www.USAHockeyRegistration.com

or go to USAHockey.com and follow the registration links.

All players trying out for the Quad City Ice Eagles or the Quad City Blues must be registered prior to tryouts and bring proof of USA Hockey registration for 2009-2010 season to the first tryout.

QCHA REGISTRATION

Online Registration for QCHA players is available at QuadCityHockey.com, choose "Online Registration" from the menu. Registrations will also be accepted at the September 12th *Hockey Across the Quad Cities*.

All Travel and House players and coaches must be registered with the QCHA as well as USA Hockey. QCHA Membership fee is \$15.00 per player or coach. Online registration also includes a Medical Information/Consent to Treat form and Player Code of Conduct.

*If you have any questions or technical difficulties
contact Stephanie Peters at registrar@quadcityhockey.com.*

HOUSE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

House League starts in October but sign-up has already begun. Come on down to the *Hockey Across the Quad Cities* on Saturday, September 12 to sign up and join in all the fun! Or go to QuadCityHockey.com, choose "Online Registration" on the menu.

Full Season fees for House League are:

Termites:	\$250.00 + \$15.00 QCHA Membership Fee = \$265.
Mite - Midgets:	\$450.00 + \$15.00 QCHA Membership Fee = \$465.

Payment Programs:

Season Fees can be paid in full at the time of registration or you may choose to make installment payments. For installment payments a \$3.00 processing fee will be assessed with each automatic payment. The First Installment is due at registration; the remaining installments will be automatically charged to the credit / debit card used on the dates indicated.

Multiple Player Discounts:

House League families with more than one player participating are eligible to receive 10% off of each youth player's registration costs.

"Online Registration" at QuadCityHockey.com has more information. Or you can contact Stephanie Peters at registrar@quadcityhockey.com.

MALLARDS ANNOUNCE EXHIBITION GAMES



The Quad City Mallards of the AA+ International Hockey League today announced that they will play exhibition games against the Bloomington PrairieThunder on Saturday, October 10 at 7:00PM in Decatur and Sunday afternoon, October 11 at 2:00PM at the Quad City Sports Center in Davenport. *Ticket sales to the October 11 game will benefit the Quad City Hockey Association's youth programs.*

“We are glad to have this chance to work together with both the Quad City Hockey Association and the Quad City Sports Center,” said Mallards Executive Vice President and General Manager Shawn Hackman. “This is one of the first steps in the Mallards’ relationship with the QCHA as we partner with them to help continue to grow youth hockey in the Quad Cities in the months and years to come.”

Admission to the October 11 game is \$3 for all tickets. Tickets go on sale Wednesday, September 9 and can be purchased by calling the Mallards’ offices at 309-277-1364. Tickets will also be available at the door on the day of the game.

”Right from the very start the Mallards organization has reached out and offered exceptional support for the Quad City Hockey Association. Together, the Mallards and the QCHA have agreed upon a variety of new initiatives that we will work on together to advance the visibility, growth and prosperity of hockey in our community,” said QCHA President Larry O’Brien. “We are very fortunate to have a partner of this high caliber and we are very appreciative that they have chosen the QCHA as the recipient of the proceeds from their first-ever home exhibition game. As a not-for-profit organization we have to rely on fundraising to cover our operating budget and this event will go a long way in helping us fund our youth programs. We are very grateful for the support from the Mallards organization “

The QCHA strives to provide a foundation for the growth and development of USA Hockey in the Quad City area. The QCHA’s programs are designed to increase youth participation in the local hockey community, improve skills and provide a responsible environment for the growth of each child in their hockey experience.

After opening their first IHL regular season on the road against the Flint Generals on October 17, the Mallards will return to the wireless Center for their home opener on Saturday, October 24 against the defending Turner Cup champion Fort Wayne Komets. The home opener will also serve as the culmination of “Hocktoberfest,” a celebration of all things hockey in the Quad Cities. For more information about the most fan friendly ticket plans in professional hockey, fans can contact the Mallards at 319-277-1364.

***The QCHA appreciates the Quad City Mallards support!
Watch for announcements of other programs, including the popular “Future Mallards” and intermission games played by our youngest teams!***

www.MyQCMallards.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

It takes time and talent to keep the hockey program running at the Sports Center. Is there a way you can help to make the program better?

Watch for your chance to volunteer - in the Shootout, on the Bulletin Board or at the QCHA website. Or, if you see something that needs to be taken care of, come to the next Membership Meeting and talk about it.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

- Coordinate “Future Mallards” scheduling
- Team Managers for House Teams
- Info Tables at Mallards games
- OneGoal – both on and off the ice

Board members Dean Patten (director@quadcityhockey.com or (309) 236-5554) and Bill Lanham (vicepresident@quadcityhockey.com or (309) 626-0007) are chairing the Volunteer Recruitment Committee. Talk to them and see where you can help out.

ONEGOAL HOCKEY



The next OneGoal session is October 12 to November 16
Mondays 6:30 – 7:15 PM
Equipment fitting is September 29 5:00 – 8:00 PM
Parent Meeting is October 6.
Cost is \$45.00
Refundable Equipment Deposit is \$35.00

The QCSC has asked the QCHA to help out with the OneGoal program. They are looking for four to six QCHA volunteers to help out on key evenings during the session.

- Equipment Fitting night – many parents have never dressed a child for hockey and need help strapping on equipment and finding the right sizes
- First night of the session – now all the equipment has to go on again. You can help show the parents the process.
- Equipment return night – getting all the equipment returned and accounted for helps keep the program going.

Sign-up sheets will be posted soon on the QCHA Bulletin Board. Please help out if you can. And if this session doesn't work for your schedule, keep it in mind for future OneGoal sessions. This program is growing hockey in the Quad Cities!

The QCHA is already seeing the growth in the House League in the Termite, Mite and Squirt levels as skaters are graduating from OneGoal and moving into the QCHA leagues. In order to meet growing demand for the program, the QCHA has authorized \$2500 to purchase 25 new sets of equipment, which will outfit new OneGoal participants for at least 3 to 4 years. These new sets, in addition to existing sets, will allow the October session to grow to 90 skaters. These funds were raised at the QCHA Night at Penguin's Comedy Club held last June.

Our thanks go out again to all who helped make the fundraiser a success – that success is helping our hockey program grow!

JR FLAMES



The 2009-2010 Jr Flames will launch the local hockey season this weekend as part of the *Hockey Across the Quad Cities*, with a pair of exhibition games against the Minnesota IceHawks of the Minnesota Jr A League. Game times are Saturday evening at 7pm and Sunday at Noon. Ticket prices are \$5 with children 7 years of age and younger admitted free. All QCHA registered players will receive a complimentary pass to the Saturday game against the IceHawks.

The regular season gets underway with road trips to Pittsburgh Sept 19th and St. Louis Sept 26th before the home opener on October 3rd vs. Metro at 7pm. The two teams will also meet at noon on Sunday Oct 4th.

PROMOTING QC YOUTH HOCKEY

Ed Maciejewski, QCSC Director of Hockey, attended the recent Membership Meeting and reported on plans for promotion of the QCSC hockey programs, from the OneGoal program and Instructional Hockey all the way through the Ice Eagles and Blues and beyond. Davenport and Moline School Districts have agreed to distribute an informational flyer about the programs, targeting kindergarten to 5th grade students. Pleasant Valley and Bettendorf already include our programs in their e-newsletters.

Promotional Folders will be placed at the QCSC Front Desk and will be filled with all informational brochures about QCHA and QCSC hockey programs. These folders will be given to perspective families who are unfamiliar with the facility and programs but are interested in starting their children in hockey. Check it out – but leave the folder to help educate new players and their parents.

QCHA made a \$500 contribution to help meet the printing expenses involved and help seed our future growth.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The next Membership Meeting is

Monday October 5th

6:00 PM - *Meeting times are going back to the winter hours*

QCSC Conference Room

The agendas, dates, and minutes for Membership Meetings can be found under “Association Meetings” at www.QuadCityHockey.com. All parents of youth players are encouraged to attend and participate!

The QCHA Membership Meetings are usually scheduled for the first Monday of each month, 6:00 PM (5:30 during the summer) at the QCSC Conference Room. Meetings which land on first Mondays that are holidays are rescheduled. Meeting information will be posted on the website, at the QC Sports Center, and in the Shootout.

I WIRELESS FUNDRAISER



The Quad City Hockey Association has teamed up with the i wireless Center for a great fundraising opportunity!

All you have to do is use the code “HOCKEY” to buy discounted tickets for many of the i wireless Center family events, including Steamwheelers games. Funds will be donated back to the QCHA for every ticket sold! The code can be given at the i wireless Box Office or on Ticket Master

This deal is open to anyone we want to give it to, so SHARE THE CODE with friends, family, and co-workers! Everyone gets the discount and raises money for youth hockey!

This deal is available anywhere that the i wireless Center sells tickets including the Box Office and all Ticketmaster outlets, such as ticketmaster.com Ticketmaster.! (There may be restrictions on select seats for certain events.) (Additional charges will apply for purchases via Ticketmaster)



H2X

Extreme Watersports Show
Saturday, September 19 @ 7:30 pm

H2X features professional jet ski racing and free style, wake-boarders, knee-boarders and wake skaters all tricking off huge water jumps and rail slides in the "world's largest pool", holding in excess of 600,000 gallons of water **INSIDE** the wireless Center!

\$4 will be donated to the QCHA for every ticket sold
Receive \$1 off all seats!

TICKETS: \$16.50, \$26.50, \$36.50



Disney Live!

Rockin' Road Show

Friday, October 16 @ 3:30 pm
RECEIVE \$1 OFF SELECT SEATS

(Not valid on \$45.75 or \$33.75 seats)
(Not valid on the 6:30 pm performance)

Tickets: \$14.75 or \$19.75

For every ticket purchased, a \$2 donation will come back to the QCHA!

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