

Tornado Times

SHI TOURNAMENT



March 31, 2005

Mississauga, Ontario

What a wonderful evening it was.

Hockey teams representing Canada and the US marched proudly behind their respective flags to a vocally supportive crowd for the Grand Opening Ceremonies of the Special Hockey International Tournament hosted by Cooksville and held at the Delta Meadowvale Resort & Conference Centre. The Parade of Athletes was a sensational showcase for

our marvelous players.

On hand to bring greetings to the athletes and supporters was Mayor Hazel McCallion, Pat Flick, organizers of the tournament and other dignitaries.

After the speeches we were treated to a tasty light buffet dinner.

Friday morning started bright and early for the Tornado Teal Team as they played in the Hershey Centre against The New Jersey Devils. The Teal team had a great game and showed true team spirit.

The next game featured the Tornado White Team playing against the Durham Dragon senior team. It was a hard fought, up and down game which they eventually won.

Next, the Tornado Maroon Team demonstrated great skill when they played admirably against the team from Colorado/Oregon.

SHI Opening Ceremonies



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Annual Hockey Meeting

June 5, 2005

1:00 PM

Grandravine Arena

If you have photos, stories, information pertaining to the Grandravine Tornadoes and would like to contribute to the newsletter please

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• Thank you!

• Special Thanks to Grandravine Tornado Times Photographer:

Frank Nagle

SHI Tournament continued

The Hershey Centre saw action again when the Tornado Teal Team tied the Rochester Nighthawks 5-5.

The afternoon excitement continued with the Tornado Maroon Team playing newly formed Newmarket in what was to be another thrilling game.

The Tornado Club was on tap again when the Tornado White Team played admirably against St. Catherines.

On Saturday, the weather may have been dismal but the action

was thrilling as the White Team took on Brampton and later that day played a really hard-hitting game against the Michigan Flyers. They put on quite a show!

The Teal Team battled St. Louis and in the morning and took on the Don Mills team in the afternoon. They were very resilient and played two tough games.

Meanwhile, at the Iceland Arena the Maroon Team made a stirring comeback against Durham. Later that morning they took the ice again, this time playing successfully against Ottawa.

Our goalies rose to the challenge and played every game with great intensity. Congratulations to Hans, Jared and Norm for an outstanding job.

Win, tie or lose—all our players were unbeatable in their effort and determination. Congratulations to our Grandravine Tornados. You showed outstanding sportsmanship in all our games, proving once again how unique a group of athletes you are.



USA vs CANADA—Coaches' Game



The fans went wild as our two coaches Matthew Ciccotelli and Tom Sockett representing Grandravine Tornados scored mightily against the US team. The game ended in a 12-4 victory for the Canadian Coaches' Team!



Valentine's Dance

Lisa Rizzuto our fabulous event planner once again, exceeded everyone's expectations with an outstanding Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance party.

We thank everyone who came out and participated. We couldn't do it without you! Our heartfelt thanks to our generous donors for their wonderful prizes. This year 180 people attended our dinner-dance, an increase of approximately 30%. Dinner was delicious and we boogied the night away. Lisa is already busy planning for next year!



PLAY BALL!

Join us for Baseball every Thursday at 6:30 at the Grandravine Baseball diamonds. Everyone is welcome to come out and play for our Grandravine Wolves.

Registration will take place on

Thursday, May 12, 2005 from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Grandravine Arena. Cost is \$45 for the season. For additional information please contact:

Jay Whaley at 416-631-6247
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Fundraising Report

By Mike Liotta

This season has been a very successful one both on and off the ice. In our fundraising efforts we raised over \$20,000. This money will go towards our ongoing operating expenses not covered by the registration fees and towards our trip to the 2006 tournament in England.

I want to thank Mary Lou Elbe who organized all the Casino Rama trips, Lisa Rizzuto who did an outstanding job with the Valentine's dance, and to Emerson Jardine who ran the chocolate drive. We found a new source of revenue through the United Way's designated charity program. We have also started placing coin boxes in some retail stores. It is too early to tell how this program will do over all, in 2 locations they have already done well. Our sponsors also responded very well and we continue to recognize their inval-

able assistance. We continue to look for new ways to bring in money from outside the club and to lessen the burden for those who can least afford it.

Next season will be a big year for us. We have negotiated one more hour of ice time to service our increasing membership. This, along with our tournament trip and the possibility of new uniforms, will put more pressure on our budget. We hope that we will be as successful next year so that we can continue providing our hockey program at a price that everyone can afford. I hope we can continue to count on you to respond the way you have in the past.

On behalf of the board of directors and the entire membership, I want to thank you all for your generous efforts.

Annual General Meeting

To be held on

Sunday, June 5, 2005 - 1:00 PM at
The Grandravine Arena.

Please mark this day. The agenda will include discussion of our team formats for next year, a report from the SHI general meeting, presentation of financial statements and election of the officers of the board of directors. Every registered player or their guardian and every registered coach are automatically a member and is eligible to vote as well as to stand for office. Please plan to attend

IN APPRECIATION

Our heartfelt thanks to Joe, and the entire Rizzuto family for another great year of hockey!

Special thanks to Sylvia for her untiring hard work behind the scenes. Always there—collecting monies, making lists, keeping lists and giving out lists.

Special thanks to Heff and Iris for keeping the coffee brewing and providing the sweets for our sweet tooth.

Special thanks to Mike for helping to grow our money and to Carm for keeping tabs on where our money is going. Special thanks to

all our caring coaches and supporters who are committed to our wonderful hockey players.

It can never be said often enough,
THANK YOU!

SHI BANQUET AND CLOSING CEREMONIES

Exhausted but exhilarated the Tornadoes, along with 1500 SHI members, showered and ready to party, made their way down to the Graydon Room banquet hall primed to chow down and party the night away.

Gracious speeches and thanks were given to the wonderful Cooksville association for their superb organization of the event.

Awards recognizing Good Sportsmanship were given to Gord Heford and Robert Anderson. Congratulations!

Following dessert, tournament awards were given to all our athletes for a job well done.

The fun continued as we danced the night away. We had a wonderful time, met new friends,

greeted old friends and all in all had one terrific tournament.

We are all looking forward to England in 2006.

Speaking of England—Please make sure you that your passport is valid. Now is a good time to apply for a new passport.

Cheers!



Casino Rama

The popular Casino Rama trips continue thanks to the efforts of Mary Lou Elbe.

The remaining trip is:
SATURDAY, MAY 14TH, 2005

****LOCATION: DOWNSVIEW PLAZA**** (Keele & Wilson)

TIME: 5:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

COST: \$20.00 per person

The \$20.00 will be donated to the Grandravine Special Hockey Program

(Must be 19 years of age or over, I.D. is mandatory)

♥ In return: ♥

You will have a wonderful time

Receive a coupon for \$10.00 plus a \$5.00 food voucher

Please contact:

Mary Lou Elbe
Telephone # 416-243-3262

Birthdays!

Birthday Greetings to our players and coaches who are celebrating birthdays from April to September.

Jason Inwood—April 9

Ryan Hird—April 12

Eddie Elbe—April 14

Bob Batt—April 15

Todd Nagle—April 18

Samson Lee—April 18

Alex Tse—April 18

Steven Rosero—April 19

Joe Rizzuto—April 25

Peter Pivato—April 27

Pierrette Graziano—May 1

Martin Tam—May 15

Paul Raso—May 17

Helena Leuna—May 24

Jason Hollowell—May 25

Eric Free—May 26

Stefania Morgillo—May 28

Ryan Inwood—May 29

Colin Reid—June 11

Frank Parisien—June 12

Norman Cleland—June 14

Sean Hillier—June 16

Sunny Bhandal - June 28

Benjamin Chung - July 1

Medeen Melekin—July 4

Tony Cheung - July 5

Mohamed Hamza—July 7

Robert Marrella—July 7

Mark Liotta—July 15

Donald Stevenson—July 15

Kirk Ross—July 17

David Cleland—July 25

Michael Jolly—July 29

Jeffrey Vanier—Aug. 2

Mehul Selarka—Aug. 7

Henry Yu—Set—Aug. 7

Yonathan Shchukovsky—Aug. 13

Gord Hefford—Aug. 15

Frank Evola—Aug 18

Ron Anderson—Aug 20

John Elbe—Sept. 2

Eric Seguin—Sept. 7

Rene Hillier—Sept 22

Peter Flick—Sept 30

Bill Moxey—Sept 30

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We're on the Web
www.grandravinetornadoes.org

Reminder

If you are replacing/buying equipment, please purchase BLACK pants, helmets and gloves so that we can all coordinate as a team.

Thank you!

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