



# Tri-City Storm

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The purpose of the Tri-City Storm Booster Club is to support the Tri-City Storm Hockey Club and the United States Hockey League; to promote community involvement and education; and to encourage sportsmanship.

## September General Meeting

Tuesday, September 28, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

VEC 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, VIP Room



**Main business – Proposed By-laws change**

**The issue –**

**Should Booster Club membership be expanded to include Season Ticket holders?**

Have you thought of any reasons why it should?

Thought of any reasons why it should not?

The issue will be thoroughly discussed before the vote is taken on the proposed by-laws change. This will include the financial impact as close as we can estimate based on income and expenses for last season.

**The Board of Directors of the Tri-City Storm Booster Club proposes the following change to the bylaws:**  
Article III: MEMBERSHIP, Section 2. Method of Membership: Individual, family, benefactor and student classes of membership are required to register in writing **complete a membership form** and pay an annual fee **dues** as designated by the Booster Club, **or be a season ticket holder.**

## Booster Club Membership

### All Fans Are Welcome

If the bylaws change is approved, Storm fans who do not hold season tickets will be joining the Booster Club this year in the usual fashion, by paying dues.

Dues will remain the same as last season:

Student Membership - \$10 (one person)

Single Membership - \$15 (one person)

Family Membership - \$25 (Family of 1-2 adults & any children under age 18)

Benefactor/Business - \$35

Anyone not purchasing season tickets but who wishes to join the Booster Club for the 2010-2011 season can submit their dues now. Season ticket holders might wish to hold off until the general meeting to see what the outcome of the vote is on the proposed bylaw change.

Send your dues to:

Tri-City Storm Booster Club

P O Box 2101

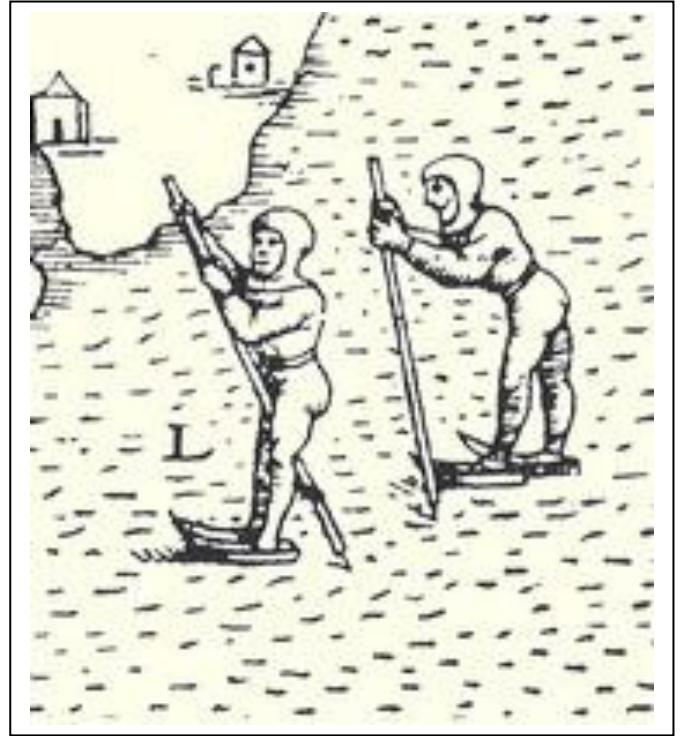
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# More About Ice Skates

The ice skates made of bone described last month were used throughout northern Europe. Archeologists have found evidence in Switzerland and Holland as well as in the Scandinavian countries.

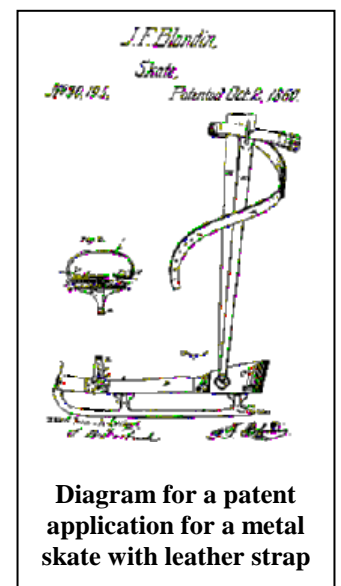
Sometime during the 1300's the Dutch began using a wood platform covered with metal. No drawings or sketches have been found from that period so we don't know exactly what they looked like. They were only described as "wooden platform skates with flat iron bottom runners." Skaters were still using poles to push themselves along.



This 1539 map of Sweden features the first images of ice skaters. Notice how they are pushing themselves along with poles. The bottoms of the poles had sharp points set in them to grab the ice.

About 1500 the Dutch added narrow, metal double blades under the wood platform. These made it possible to discard the poles and push oneself along in what was called the "Dutch roll." As blacksmithing evolved the iron was replaced by steel.

The steel clamp for skates was developed in 1848. Over the next 25 years a variety of styles of skates were designed for speed skating, rink skating, and figure skating. Around 1890 boots and blades were integrated into one unit for use in this sport of ice skating.



## The Patron Saint of Ice Skating



The World's Oldest Known Skating Image

In 1396 Lydwine (also Ludwina and Lidwina), a beautiful 16 year old girl, from Schiedam in Holland was visited by friends, who invited her to go skating. Legend says that Lydwine's friends insisted that she go skating even though she said she wasn't feeling well. Once they were on the ice Lydwine was knocked down. She broke 6 ribs and was bedridden for the rest of her life. After the accident Lydwine had visions and was given credit for performing many miracles. Lydwine was canonized in 1890 and was named the Patron Saint of Skating in 1944. This image of the fateful fall was made in 1498 by the Dutch artist, Johannes Brugman. This image provided courtesy of the SchaatsMuseum (Netherlands).

from <<http://www.icesk8.com/clipart7.htm>>

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# Who is on the Roster?

That is the big question. Who is on the roster? Who will be on the team this season? We all saw the pre-season roster of 32 which was published at the beginning of the month. But we knew that was not the final list. The list was cut before going to the Classic and will again afterwards to arrive at 23 before the first regular season game. Also there are others not on that list who will come and perhaps stay, perhaps go. Since the list was released some are gone, some were added, and one came and went.

Ever wonder what connection each player has had to the team before coming here this fall for the final tryout? Each player with the asterisk before his name also attended the June tryout camp in Las Vegas.

## Returning Veterans

- \*Steve Bolton, goalie
- \*Rick Pinkston, defense – 2008 entry draft
- \*Branden Fisher, defense – 2009 futures draft
- \*Kenny Brooks, forward – 2009 entry draft
- \*Tucker Brockett, forward – 2009-2010 trade
- \*Matt Johnson, forward – 2009-2010 trade
- \*Cody Murphy, forward – 2009-2010 trade
- \*Mario Puskarich, forward – 2009-2010 trade

## Acquired by trade for 2010-2011

- \*Cory Czarnik, forward
- \*Soren Jonzzon, forward
- ~~\*T J Sarcona, forward~~
- Dan Kolomatis, defense
- Zack Rall, defense

## Tryout Camp only

- ~~\*Alex Cantrell, goalie~~
- \*Simon Denis, defense



## Tri-City Storm Hires Lenny Hofmann

The Tri-City Storm will have a second assistant coach during the coming season. Lenny Hoffman joined the coaching staff this summer.

Lenny is from Sartell, MN, a suburb of St. Cloud. Hockey has been his main focus since high school. He played a year for the original Dubuque Fighting Saints back in 1999. Then he went on to play hockey for St. Mary's University of Minnesota for his college experience. Then he stayed at St. Mary's for four seasons as assistant coach. The next two seasons were spent at St Scholastica in Duluth, also as assistant coach. That brings us up to the present and his move to Kearney.

## Futures Drafts

- \*Matthew Friese, forward – 2008
- \*Andrew Dorantes, forward – 2009

## Unknown Contact

- Chris Eiserman, goalie
- D J Vandercook, forward
- ~~Manny Gialledakis – came & went~~
- ~~Matt Green, goalie – traded to Youngstown~~
- ~~Alex Jensen, forward (gone)~~
- Cass Mappin - forward

## Entry Drafts

- \*Chris Joyaux, defense – 2009
- \*Jason Binkley, defense – 2009
- \*Scott Diebold, goalie – 2010
- \*Bill Eiserman, defense – 2010
- \*Davey Middleton, forward – 2010
- \*Dominic Panetta, forward – 2010
- \*Brad Schierhorn, forward – 2010
- Shane Walsh, forward – 2010
- \*Brian Ward, forward – 2010
- ~~\*Tyler Hope, forward – 2010~~

## Birthdays

Right now we have the pre-season roster list of players to work with. During the summer months, June, July, and August, the following players celebrated birthdays.

On June 13 defenseman **Jason Binkley** turned 18. He played for the Jersey Hitmen last season.

On July 15 goalie **Scott Diebold** turned 18. He played for St. Francis Prep High School last season.

On July 21 defenseman **Bill Eiserman** turned 18 and on July 28 his **brother Chris**, a goalie, turned 17. They both played for the New Hampshire Jr. Monarchs last season.

On August 20 defenseman **Simon Denis** turned 19. He played for the Burnaby Express in British Columbia last season.

# Hockey News

## Reggie Simon

Tri-City Storm former assistant/head coach Reggie Simon (2002-3) is returning to Des Moines. After spending the past two seasons as Assistant coach at the University of Alaska/Anchorage, Reggie is starting this season as head coach and general manager of the Des Moines Buccaneers.

When the Buccaneers coach, Guentzel, left to be an assistant on the UN/O coaching staff, Reggie was hired to replace him. This will be his third stint in Des Moines. He played for the Buc-caneers back in his USHL playing days.

Later he came back to be the assistant coach. When the head coach left, he finished out that season in the leadership position before moving on to Anchorage.

## More About Some of our Potential Storm Players

– Boys hockey at Brian Ward's school, The Governor's Academy, traces its roots back to the school's first "Ice Polo" team in 1895.

– In July 2009 Bill Eiserman was the first to commit to play for UMass-Lowell in 2011. About three months later his brother Chris made an even earlier commitment to play for them in 2012.

And there is another younger, hockey playing brother. Their father also played a year for Lowell before a leg break ended his career.

– After graduating from Canisius Scott Diebold's father played in the German Professional League for a time.

## Mandie Schwartz

The hockey world has been following the health journey of Mandie Schwartz. Storm fans have been especially interested since she is the sister of last season's star, Jaden Swawrtz.

Mandie has acute myeloid lymphoma and has needed a stem cell transplant. The difficulty was finding stem cells which are a match.

Success in finding a match was recently reported. But then Mandie, who had been remission, experienced a new bout with the cancer. That has now been brought under control. Once more in remission, the stem cell transplant was scheduled for September 22.

We hope and pray for success.



Training skates

Our apologies for the lateness of the newsletter this month. Your editor and the button maker took time out to attend the Fall Classic in Sioux City. Here are some random observations.

## Notes on the Fall Classic

- Our ice has four advertisements on it this year. It's always fun to count them at the Tyson Center. This year there are 24 by 13 different advertisers. How do they see the puck?
- We missed the Wed. night game against Sioux City. Everyone we talked to said it was just as well.
- Tri-City Storm vs. Dubuque Fighting Saints – 3-4 – Murphy continued to start Storm scoring with a nice short-handed, unassisted goal. Brooks did a fancy move again on his successful shoot-out goal.
- Storm vs. Des Moines – 5-0 – At the cccold IBP rink. Fast skating. Score does not tell the story. Des Moines played a good competitive game.

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