



# Tri-City Storm Booster Club

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## March General Meeting

Tuesday, March 29, 2011 - 6 p.m. at the VIP Room Viaero Event Center

Make plans for the Appreciation Banquet

This will be a short meeting so we can go listen to/watch the Storm beat Sioux City

## Player Appreciation Banquet

Sunday, April 10, 2011

VIP Room, 1 pm

Viaero Event Center

*Buffet Lunch Catered by Carlos O' Kelly's Mexican  
Café*

**Tickets on Sale NOW!**

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**Adults \$15      Children 6 – 12 yrs \$6**

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# Team News

## Binkley Going to Ferris

Jason Binkley will be going to Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan next year. Simon Denis has already committed to Ferris for next season.

Two Storm players from past seasons, Justin DeMartino and Brett Wysopal are currently attending Ferris. Two other players, Cody Chupp and Chris Zarb, have graduated. Chupp now plays for the Texas Stars in the AHL and Zarb is with the Dundee, Scotland, Stars.

## Team Roster

Since we are past the trade deadline we have the same team roster for two newsletters in a row, the first time this season. There are 24 names on the list instead of 23. This is because #27 Simon Denis is on Injured Reserve so another forward was brought in to fill his spot during the balance of the games.

Here is a list of all the 2010-2011 Storm players. Current team members are in bold type.

#1 Steve Bolton – traded to the New Mexico Mustangs in the NAHL

**#1 Chris Holden**

#2 Chris Joyaux – traded by Des Moines

**#2 Michael Montrose**

**#3 Zack Rall**

**#4 Jason Binkley**

**#5 Dean Burggrabe**

**#6 Bill Eiserman**

**#7 Rick Pinkston**

#9 Eric Millisor – traded to Amarillo, Texas in the NAHL

#10 Tucker Brockett – traded to Chicago

**#10 Darik Angeli**

#11 Davey Middleton – Traded to Topeka in the NAHL

**#12 Brian Ward**

**#13 Kenny Brooks**

**#14 Andrew Dorantes**

**#15 Nick Lappin**

**#16 Brad Schierhorn**

#17 Cory Czarnik – returned to Compuware U18

**#17 Daniil Zharkov**

#18 Mario Puskarich – traded to Wenatchee, Washington in the NAHL

**#18 Luke Sandler**

#19 Shane Walsh – traded to Dubuque

#19 Tim Lappin – returned to Chicago Mission U18

#20 Matthew Friese – traded to Chicago

**#20 Alex Carpenter**

**#21 Cody Murphy**

**#22 Dan Kolomatis**

#23 Dominic Panetta – traded to Indianapolis

**#23 Cole Gunner**

**#24 Soren Jonzson**

#25 Brandon Fisher – traded to the Kanai River Brown Bears in the NAHL

**#25 Justin Henry**

**#26 Matt Johnson**

#27 **Simon Denis** – on Injured Reserve

#28 Cass Mappin – traded to the Drumheller, Alberta, Dragons in the AJHL

#30 Chris Eiserman – returned to Valley Jr. Warriors in the Eastern Junior Hockey League

**#33 Scott Diebold**

## Storm on TV Again

The Tri-City Storm will be on TV one more time this season. The March 26 game with Fargo will be televised on the Fox Nebraska network. That is Channel 17 on satellite and Channel 4 on Charter. The game starts at 7 p.m. Skip Berry will do the play-by-play and Dave Griek, Channel 13 sports director, will be the color commentator. Rink side reports during the game will come from Todd Gottula, the Storm Vice President.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Two Storm players have birthdays coming up.

Zack Rall will be 19 on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Veteran Storm player Cody Murphy turns 20 on April 22.

# Hockey Rules Over the Years

**This month we take a look at the evolution of some major and minor penalties.**

In the 1918-19 hockey season the penalty rules were changed to set three minutes for a minor foul and five minutes for a major one. No substitutions were allowed during either of those periods of time. Two seasons later the 3-minute minor foul was changed to two minutes.

If there was a “match foul,” that is, if a player was suspended for the rest of the game, no substitute could be sent in. Five years later, in 1923, a player committing a match foul, the deliberate injuring or disabling of a player, could also be fined at least \$50 and had to meet with the League president to see if there would be additional punishment. Also he could not be substituted on the ice for 20 minutes.

During the 1920’s and early 30’s several minor penalty rules were introduced. The delayed penalty concept was established. Minor penalties could be dished out for deliberately picking up the puck while it was in play (except for the goalie), for delaying the game by passing the puck back into the player’s defensive zone, and for deliberately shooting the puck out of play. In 1970 that last

penalty description was expanded to include deliberately shooting the puck out of the playing area.

*We have all heard the stories about fans being injured by pucks flying into the stands so we know a puck flies hard and fast. But have you ever thought about how far a puck can fly? At a recent home game a practice puck hit by a visiting player flew over the stands, up and over the suites and landed on the concourse near the wall back of the Booster Club booth by the Storm Store.*

Other penalties - once the puck was passed up ice, no more than two players besides the goalie could stay back in the defensive zone. If this happened more than two times in the game the team would be given a major penalty instead of a minor one.

The penalty for high sticking was introduced and no player except the goalie was allowed to fall on the puck if it was within 10 feet of the goal.

## **Moving on to More Recent Times**

In the 1950’s the rule was established that when a power play goal was made, the player in the penalty box could return to the ice. Up until then even if a goal was scored, the team continued to play shorthanded through the entire penalty time. A short time later the issue of penalty shots was addressed. The shot was to be taken by the player against whom the foul was committed. If the foul was not against a specific player, any of the players on the ice could take the shot.

Twenty years later a team could receive a bench minor if a player who had received a penalty did not go directly to the penalty box.

Fighting penalties in the 1970’s included a game misconduct for a third player entering an altercation and establishing a major penalty plus game misconduct for a player who was clearly the instigator. Also at that time the rule was established that if a team questioned the legality of a stick and asked that it be measured, and if the stick was legal they would be given a minor penalty.

In the 1990’s checking from behind into the boards or into the goal frame would earn a player a major penalty and game misconduct. Goalie interference or infringing on the goal crease resulted in minor penalties. “Diving” resulted in a minor penalty also.

We know that no team can have fewer than three players (plus the goalie) on the ice. During regulation play if a team is two players down and draws a third penalty, the third penalty time does not start until the first penalty ends. But what happens in overtime? Now there are only four players on each side. What if a team draws two penalties? That would mean they would have only two players on the ice versus the four on the power play team. In the 1999-00 season a rule was adopted to deal with this situation. The penalized team would still have three players on the ice. But so that their opponents would have the 2-player advantage, they could put a fifth player on the ice.

## Now at the Booster Booth

Clocks with Storm logo face \$10

4 ¼ x 5 ½ player cards

\$2 each or a set of all 23 players for \$23  
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## Where are They Now?

We continue to search for the members of the Tri-City Storm from 10 years ago in the 2001-02 season. This time the focus is on Matt Bydlon, Clayton Carson and Jim Chiropoulos

### Matt Bydlon

Matt Bydlon is from Osseo, Minnesota. He had played for the Great Falls Americans in the AWHL plus one game for the Texas Tornados in the NAHL during the season before joining the Storm. He was here for just the 2001-02 season. The following season he joined the Central Texas Blackhawks in Belton, Texas. Belton is part of the Killeen–Temple–Fort Hood area in the middle of the state. After a season there his hockey career appears to have ended. He may be in Minneapolis, Minnesota now.

### Jim Chiropoulos

Jim Chiropoulos came from Montreal, Canada at the beginning of the 2001-02 season. He played four games with the Storm team before returning to Canada. His name shows up again two years later when he played one game with the St. Hyacinthe Cousin team, a member of the minor pro league Ligue Nord-Americaine de Hockey (LNAH) in Quebec Provenance. Members of this team varied in age from 21-40 making Chiropoulos one of the younger ones at age 22. The league is not known for its skilled players but is the toughest league currently averaging over three fights per

game. The league has produced some NHL players and during the NHL strike many players went to this league to play until an agreement was reached.



### Clayton Carson

Clayton Carson came to the Storm from Thunder Bay, Ontario, to play his last year of USHL eligibility. Previous to coming here he had played one season for the Thunder Bay Flyers who were members of the USHL at that time. After leaving here Carson attended the University of Guelph in Guelph, Ontario. He was a member of the Gryphons, their hockey team, for three years, 2002-2005.

Now Carson lives in Calgary where he has been a member of the Westside Wranglers in the Calgary Men's Hockey Association since 2007.

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