



# SHARK BYTES



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## THANKS FOR A GREAT SEASON!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY RICH LUNDIN

Hi Everyone,

I don't know where to begin but what a season it was! From a pretty extensive rebuild of the team, to the All Star Classic, to the drive to make the playoffs, and beating #1 seed Hartford in the 1st round, to the nasty series with Providence, it's was a certainly a season to remember! I will have more of a recap in the next newsletter, but we have more important events (see below) coming which I wanted to give prime newsletter space to. There may be no hockey in Worcester right now, but the booster club will still be active throughout the summer!

Yours in hockey,  
Rich

## WFD6K ROAD RACE

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Something near and dear to the booster club is the Worcester Firefighters 6k Road Race. Each year, we donate to this event and volunteer our time to register runners, and to help out in any way we can. This year, it is more important than even for us to volunteer - the event will run every 5th year after this year. I expect a strong turnout from our boosters (and if anyone from the Sharks office or DCU Center office wishes to join us - even better!). We are looking for volunteers to help with registration at Forest Grove Middle School, 495 Grove Street, Worcester, MA **Friday, June 12th from 5pm to 9pm**, (if you can't make 5pm then you can come later) and on race day (at Institute park) **Sunday Jun 14th from 10am till noon**. All we do is hand out registration forms, collect them, and give the runners gifts. Race day is a great time Race starts and ends at Institute Park, corner of Salisbury Street and West Street in Worcester. There is a free BBQ, DJ, sports auction, kids corner with moonwalk, clowns, massages, Post Race Party at Tweed's on Grove St. Worcester (3:30 pm).



Please email us at [info@sharksbc.com](mailto:info@sharksbc.com) to volunteer your time. For more info, please go to [www.wfd6k.org](http://www.wfd6k.org)

## JOIN US FOR THE RELAY FOR LIFE

PLEASE WALK WITH US OR DONATE



This summer, let's make a difference in the community. The Relay for Life is an incredible 24-hour event that raises money to support the American Cancer Society. Our team will spend 24 hours walking the track at Burncoat High School on June 19th, starting at 4pm. This is a great chance to make a huge difference in our community and to support the members of the Booster Club family who have survived cancer or lost friends and family to it. Every little bit helps - please consider joining us on the 19th or making a donation. We hope to raise at least \$1000!

Let's get out there folks — it's a long off-season!

To donate or join our team, simply go to: <http://main.acevents.org/goto/WSBoosters>

If you have any questions, please contact Josie Brown at [josie.brown@gmail.com](mailto:josie.brown@gmail.com) or by cell phone at 774.262.3735.

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND EVENTS BY LINDA LACHANCE

The Booster Club is now accepting memberships for the upcoming year.

Membership dues are:

- Individual \$15
- Family (Either 2 Adults, 2 Adults + kids, or 1 Adult + kids in same household) \$25
- Teen (13-17) \$5
- Kids (12 + under) Free!

Benefits of joining the Booster Club and supporting the Worcester Sharks include:

- Spending time with other Worcester Sharks fans at various events
- Red Sox Tickets – Tickets still available for July 5th (\$26)
- Bus trips to away games
- Discounted away tickets to support the Sharks when they play Lowell, Providence, Hartford & Springfield
- Worcester Tornadoes outings
- Free membership for Corporate Perks (discounts on national companies)
- Free membership to Mass Buying Power
- Jiffy Lube discount card.

Helping out with the concession stands to raise much-needed funds for the Booster Club to continue its charity program. By volunteering to work the concession stands, you can gain Booster Bucks to help offset your cost of attending the Holiday and Annual Awards banquets, bus trips and get free parking.

To all the Boosters who have participated in the away bus trips or have purchased discounted tickets for the away games this year, Thank You! We have had a great group of Boosters sitting together with the new Boosters meeting each other. We had a loud chant going for the team at the last Springfield game & had another group of Boosters cheering the team on as they faced Manchester on April 4. We look forward to getting groups together during the playoffs, too!

If you haven't renewed yet, please do so as soon as possible.

The Booster Club can also use additional volunteers for the concessions events that are coming up. If you would like to print out a Membership form, please click here on <http://www.sharksboosters.com/k1.html>.

## TORNADOES GAME/PICNIC



We are in the process of scheduling at least one Worcester Tornadoes Picnics schedule this summer.



Cost is only \$25 which gets you the picnic and ticket!  
All you can eat picnic includes:

Grilled Hamburgers and Cheeseburgers

Grilled Hot Dogs

Potato Chips

Ranch Style Baked Beans

Red Bliss Potato Salad

Assorted Beverages

We will keep you posted as to the 1st date shortly.

## CONCESSIONS TRAINING

Hi everyone, we had another great year of concessions - thanks to all those who helped out! Looks like we have the summer off with renovations going on to the arena, but this will be the perfect time for renewing (or getting for the 1st time) your AIMS training. In order to serve alcohol, you need this training. It is approximately a 3 hour class (I use the term 'class' loosely - more like a seminar). For those who have taken the course originally 3 years ago - it's time to renew! But I have been told that if we get a group together, we can have the class at the DCU Center (pretty convenient!). While the cost is \$20, the booster club will pay for the training. I will try and set up a date early enough in advance so that all who want to can attend. If you have an questions, please email me at [info@sharksbc.com](mailto:info@sharksbc.com)

Excited about the season? Talk about it on the message board!

Visit <http://www.worcestersharks.org> -

A great fansite where you can talk about *your* Sharks!



## CONCESSION STANDS

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

BY RICH LUNDIN

Last year we had a great response to our need to work concessions. We had over 20 people volunteer for several shows. We raised over **\$4000** in very short year. I can't stress enough how important this is to our club. Without volunteers stepping up to work concessions, you could expect booster club events such as our holiday party and awards banquet to go up at least \$15 per person! Nobody wants that. It also helped in other areas such as the broomball tournament we hosted. We have been able to work the Grandstand which with sellout events has made **\$1000 for the club in one night!**

For anyone that wishes to volunteer their time, we are offering **free parking** at the garage across from Uno's, and **\$5 Booster Bucks** which can be used on any **trip** and also to our **banquets**. We might roll this out to merchandise as well., but haven't got that far yet.

Concessions have gone very smoothly - even for a rookie like me. The DCU Center folks were there for us when needed. Believe it or not (but you can ask the others that did it), we actually had fun doing it!

So it's time to get back on the bandwagon! Don't feel shy if you never have done it before - we have always made sure we had enough people to help each other out. You can run cash registers, fill food trays, flip burgers, you get the idea - it ain't that hard! We had several new people who worked the Keith Urban concert with no issues.

Please email the club at [sharksboosters@hotmail.com](mailto:sharksboosters@hotmail.com) or call me @**508-829-8285** to signup!

Thanks again!  
Rich

### Dates coming up:

Off for the summer – stay tuned in the fall!

## FROM THE EDITOR

BY RICH LUNDIN

Would you like to play an active role in the booster club? Let's make this year something special, for the Boosters, Team and the community! We are looking for ideas to make this season the most exciting yet.

If you have suggestions for this newsletter, or have any club business, please send correspondence to:

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Looking for more help

### HOSPITALITY

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Always looking for help/ideas

### CONCESSIONS

Rich Lundin  
Nick Kronopolus

The following committees are open. Contact any board member or email the club if interested:

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*Wish to get involved or head up a committee? Contact any Board member. We're always looking for help! Enjoyment and making great friends are the fringe benefits!*



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY! BY CHRIS O'SHEA

Wishing the following people a Happy Birthday — 5/3 Melissa Bourdeau, 5/5 Ronnie Kiefer, 5/7 Linda Mosher, 5/7 Corey LaFlash, 5/7 Jon Anderson, 5/8 Zack Hoover, 5/8 Christina Barada, 5/10 Lorna Mailhoit, 5/12 Eric Lindquist, 5/14 Shark Cory Larose, 5/14 Jeff Lovely, 5/17 Lindsey Dvareckas, 5/21 Cheryl Ferguson, 5/28 Nick Kronopolus, 6/1 Crystal Hunter Driscoll, 6/5 Frank Palermo, 6/9 Shark Jason Demers, 6/11 Shark TJ Fox, 6/11 Michael LaPrade, 6/14 Kevin LaBoeuf, 6/16 Jen Roman, 6/16 Rodney Rugg, 6/18 Melissa Sommer, 6/18 Shark Kyle McLaren, 6/24 Mark Caseau, 6/26 Andrew Bourdeau, 6/26 Shark Matt Fornataro, 6/29 Gerry Mailhoit, 6/29 Katie Mailhoit, 6/29 Tracy Tremblay. Belated wishes to Tim Wegner and Marina Riva in March and April!



## GET WELL WISHES

The club would like to extend well wishes to the following as they recover from injuries, surgeries, rehabbing etc.; Boosters Terry Chiapulis, Crystal Hunter Driscoll, Marianne Adams, Christine Marzoll, and Sharks players Kyle McLaren, Brendan Buckley, TJ Fox, Mike Morris, Taylor Dakers. Hope all goes well in your recoveries and you'll come back stronger than ever.



## WITH SYMPATHY

The club wishes to extend our condolences and sympathies to Lynne Toomey and Abbey Toomey-Fisk on the passing of Lynne's father and Abbey's Grandfather. Our prayers and thoughts are with you both at this most difficult time.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

We would like to extend our congratulations to all those who graduate this year whether from kindergarten, grade school, middle school, high school, college or beyond. You have done well and we wish only the best in the future.



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## BROOMBALL TOURNAMENT UPDATE

The AHLBC Broomball Tournament will be held in Aston, PA @ IceWorks on Saturday July 11, 2009 hosted by the Philadelphia Phantoms Phan Club and Broomball team. Worcester is sending a team and we hope to bring home the Broomball Cup to Worcester. Other teams competing are Syracuse, Hershey, Philly, WBS, Manchester, and Springfield.

## AAHLBC CONVENTION NEWS

(TO BE HELD IN BALTIMORE) - BY CHRIS O'SHEA

AAHLBC Booster Club Convention 2009 to be held in Hunt Valley MD on September 11-13 and hosted by the Baltimore Bandits Booster Club. Theme this year is Wide World of Sports. If you signed up a reminder the balance due date is June 1, 2009. All cancellations made prior to August 1, 2009 will be refunded minus the deposit amount. No refunds will be made after that date. There is a lot to do down there so it should be lots of fun. Worcester has 13 people going. I will keep you updated as I get the info or you can check [www.wbspenguinsboosterclub.com/aahlbc](http://www.wbspenguinsboosterclub.com/aahlbc) to see if that info has been updated. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at [Hockeynanny20@aol.com](mailto:Hockeynanny20@aol.com)

# GAME NIGHT NOTES

BY CHRIS O'SHEA



Wow!! What a season here in Worcester, an ALL-STAR Season for sure. I do not think anyone wanted it to end. It was a special year here in Worcester. There was a lot of exciting hockey played by a team that never quit and a group of great guys that plugged along together as a team, no one individual did it all, they did it as a team no matter who was in the lineup. Yes, at times there were those who stepped up to carry them at certain times, which was needed, but it took all of them to accomplish what they did. For a team that saw 11 players get called up to San Jose this year, several going up for extended times and some long term injuries they should be very proud of what they did and I am too. Great job Sharks! They did go farther than San Jose did. We can now say the Worcester Sharks made it to the second round of the Calder Cup Playoffs just falling short of going to the conference finals. Are they satisfied? I do not think so, but that will be in the back of their minds as they start out the 2009/2010 season hungry for more. So get ready to do it again starting in October. We will be there to support them all the way.

A BIG THANK YOU to those who were part of the 2008/2009 Worcester Sharks – Coach Roy Sommer, Asst Coach David Cunniff, Athletic Trainer Matt White, Equipment Manager Vinny Ferraiuolo, Strength & Conditioning Asst Jaime Rodriguez, Captain Ryan Vesce, Patrick Traverse, Kyle McLaren, Jason Demers, Brad Staubitz, Brendan Buckley, Mike Moore, Tom Cavanagh, Ashton Rome, Joe Loprieno, PJ Fenton, Matt Jones, TJ Fox, Frazer McLaren, Steven Zalewski, Trent Campbell, Cory Larose, Mike Morris, Riley Armstrong, Matt Fornataro, Lukas Kaspar, Dan DaSilva, Brett Westgarth, Derek Joslin, Michael Wilson, Nick Petricki Thomas Greiss, Claude Lemieux, Alex Stalock, Andrew Desjardins, Kyle Jones, Logan Couture, Taylor Dakers, Jamie McGinn. We also thank you for all your community service when you were away from the ice. We are so glad you were a part of our Worcester Hockey family!!!!

We know in sports things do not stay the same so inevitable there will be new faces come next season mixed in with those who return, I wish to extend best wishes to everyone and know that there will always be a part of you here in Worcester.

## GOOD LUCK AND HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER!!!!

Now it is time to send a BIG THANK YOU to the Worcester Sharks front office for all that they did in this All-Star Season game in and game out year round to get the Sharks name out there in the community, get people in the seats, share goodwill around the league and with the fans and all the little things behind the scenes to make it a super year.

So here's to Mike Lehr, Wayne Thomas, Mike Mudd, Mike Myers, Bob Weldon, Mary DeFeudis, Suzanne Schwartz, Eric Lindquist, Joe Fellini, Abbey Thelin, Melissa Gardner, Ryan Clark, Zack Hoover, Lindsey Marranta, Katie Kohutanycz, Marina Riva, Tim Wegner, Matt Catachio, Dave Gwozdz. Thanks for all your help! Again continued success and can't wait until next season, bring on 2009/2010!!!!

And a special thanks to all those boosters who helped out this season for without you this year would not have been as successful as it was. Whether you assisted on Game Nights at the doors, 50/50 or the table, All-Star weekend, at one game, a few or just about all of them and at other booster events I thank you for all your help and know that everything was very much appreciated by me, the booster club and the Sharks themselves.

So a BIG THANK YOU goes out to boosters-Nick Baril, Kim Bayer, Buzz Bayer, Kevin Brosnan, Pam Berthiaume, Jon Bohanon, Josie Brown, Jessica Bourque, Kirsten Bourque, Ritch Burgess, Allen Burgess, Terry Chiapulis, Gerry Collette, Sarah Corso, John Courmoyer, Kevin Curley, Judi Dionne, Katie Mailhoit, Lorna Mailhoit, Gerry Mailhoit, Sean Driscoll, Crystal Hunter Driscoll, Andy Durant, Rob Durant, Danny Ferreira, Karl Gerds, Ron Hazen, Darryl Hunt, Trish Hunt, Denise Ingram, Terry B Dotson, David Kenwery, Ashley Kiefer, Ronnie Kiefer, Hailey King, Teddy King, Johanna Kirouac, Kyle Kirouac, Linda Mosher, Nick Kronopolus, Kevin LaBoeuf, Linda Lachance, Marc Lachance, Katie Parker, Kevin Leonard, Rich Lundin, Laurie Markiewicz, Paul Markiewicz, Caitlin Markiewicz, Christine Marzoll, Mark McGurn, Pierce McDonnell, Claudette McNamara, Joey Medoff, Karen Medoff, Matt Medoff, Kristen Poirier, Kaitlyn Rabbet, Keelia Rabbett, Ernie Racine, Ellen Racine, Paul Ritchford, Marion Luoma, Bev Tatro, Mary Teixeira, AJ Teixeira, Lynne Toomey, Abbey Toomey-Fisk, Margaret Wetherell, John Wetherell, Tracey West, Peter West.

I look forward to next season and receiving help from all of you. Be sure to keep an eye open for all booster club emails. Thanks again!!!!

## NEXT BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

### To Be Announced

WE ARE TRYING TO HAVE A "STATE OF THE WORCESTER SHARKS" MEETING FINALIZED

**NEW Place: Castellana's on Harding Street  
(the old Patrick Subaru)  
Special Guest - Sharks Office?**

FREE PARKING DOOR PRIZES  
ASK QUESTIONS!

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