



LONG ISLAND REBELS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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As we end our 2012-2013 season and get ready to start right up for 2013-2014 I would like to first say what a wonderful and successful season our Rebel teams enjoyed! Just to cite a few Highlights-

Bantam Minor Team UNDEFEATED SEASON CHAMPIONS
M16U AA Team NYSAHA State Championship Qualifier
Five Rebel Teams LIAHL Playoff Qualifiers
Bantam Major, Bantam Minor, M16U A, M16U AA, M18U AA
Rebel Mites playing first full ice games - CHAMPIONS of NJ Ice House Tournament

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Organization Affiliations

USA Hockey Association

Long Island Youth
Hockey Association

New York State Amateur
Hockey Association

The list of tournament victories is too lengthy to mention, oh...and don't forget the Girls! They have enjoyed their best season ever and that program is growing more and more each day!

The credit for the success and development of our players is due to the dedication of our tremendous coaching staff and to that end I would like to say THANK YOU!! Countless hours spent enforcing skill development, citizenship, and diligent school work help maintain the Rebel philosophy and the results speak for themselves.

Anyone associated with our organization knows that we strive to maintain a family and community minded atmosphere. I would like to thank all the parents who have supported our goals and efforts. This year was our best ever Buddy Skate and the outpouring of assistance for the super storm Sandy victims was nothing less than spectacular!

Often overlooked are the efforts and dedication of all our team managers. I would just like to say without your efforts there would be no teams! Thank you all for your organization, communication, and listening skills. Most people do not realize how much effort it takes to keep things running so seamlessly. To all your credit, this year we had NO ISSUES with game scheduling! That is quite an amazing feat when you consider the fact that the Rebels play close to 500 games during the season!! THANK YOU!!!!

.....And of course, I would like to say a special THANKS to John Zerillo. He keeps the Rebels going and is always there to handle anything that may come up! John is so diligent when it comes to organization matters and is vital in the success of our player's development as they transition from youth to Junior Hockey.....Thanks John!!!!

NowOn to next year!!!

As many of you know, the 2013-2014 tryouts are rapidly approaching, we have posted our dates for all teams and more information regarding coaching selections will be out soon....in order to offer the best possible development opportunity for all players on Long Island we are working ever closer with the Long Island Royals. Watch the website closely as we will be announcing new programs and development paths for all age levels but in particular our Midget and Junior programs.

Lastly, I would like to address some recent events that have occurred around our league. We have been receiving numerous emails regarding questions about independent teams, players coming to the organization, and games. To make it easier for all I have posted a FAQ section on the website. I will try to list the most asked questions and answer those to best of my ability and as factual as I can.

As we close on this year, I wish everyone the best of luck at any tryouts you choose to attend and look forward to the start of next season!

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