



# Topeka Youth Hockey



Weekly update for December 7, 2009

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## Bantams rely on Mascot

*Paul Fluke, Division Director*



*Mascot, Mascot, Mascot*

The Topeka Jr. RoadRunner Bantam squad was back in action this past Sunday. They took to the ice at Line Creek to do battle with the Saints Blue team. The Jr. Runners came to skate and fought hard with Mascot, Mascot, Mascot on the bench. The first goal came in the second period from the stick of Forrest Blanchette

(7) on an assist from Skyler Stevens (31) and Ian Fluke (83). Skyler Stevens found the back of the net for the second goal from an assist by Will Katz (54) and Vail Moshiri (3). In the third period Forrest Blanchette again found the back of the net on a short handed play.

Drew Perkins (33) defended the Jr. RoadRunner goal to a shutout. He was flawless with 18 shots on goal from the opponent. The Bantams officially recorded 7 shots on goal, but some weren't tallied. Xavier Harris (17), Drew Hafling (64) also had good shots on goal. The lower number of shots on goal from our opponent was attributed to a tougher defense this game.

There was plenty of hard hitting in this game also as John House (26) rocked a couple of Saints on the boards and one landed him in the sin bin. Ian Fluke also bounced a few off the boards which put his opponent on the ice for a few minutes recovering from a shoulder injury. We hope he wasn't seriously hurt. There were several other great efforts from numerous players. Keep up the hustle Bantams.....we soon will be a serious team to be reckoned with.

This coming weekend, the Bantams will take on the undefeated St. Joe team at St. Joseph, and then back to Topeka the same day to do battle with the Saints Gold team with their trusty Mascot, Mascot, Mascot on the bench.

We'd also like to acknowledge that Dakota Zinn is back in action after suffering a nasty wrist fracture injury a few weeks back.

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## Meet a couple of “Super 6” Mites

*Kelli Finnegan, Division Director*

**S**aturday, the Mites faced the Saints at Line Creek. We had some great opportunities but were only able to put one biscuit in the basket. Alex Woods had an amazing breakaway and the goalie had no chance of stopping it. Ike Prengel played awesome in the net and made some incredible saves. Unfortunately, even with our hard work, we fell short losing 7-1.

We want to welcome Eli Holloman to our team. He played his first game with us at Line Creek and did great! What a nice addition to our team! Sadly, we had our first injury of the season (not hockey related) and were really missing Lane Snell. Unfortunately, he broke his arm and will be out 6-8 weeks. We are hoping for a speedy recover. He still showed his support by sitting on the bench and supporting his teammates. You're the best Lane!

We will be playing against the Stars on Saturday then we'll be back in Topeka on Sunday facing the Saints.

Each week, would like to feature a couple players so you can learn a little more about them...



Meet Garrett Anschutz. He is a first year Mite that started skating when he was 2 years old. He was also part of the “Super Six” 3 years ago when youth hockey started up again in Topeka. His favorite position is playing goalie and his favorite team is the Colorado Avalanche. His favorite RoadRunner player is Cooper. He has 3 sisters and attends Royal Valley Elementary. His favorite subject is reading. When Garrett is not playing hockey he loves to play street hockey, Backyard Hockey on DS and Play Station, and rock out to ACDC. He also enjoys watching Drake and Josh and cool movies like GI Joe. His favorite food is Chinese and Burger King. He appreciates all the help he receives from his coaches and hopes to be a hockey player when he grows up. Come see Garrett's awesome kick saves as well as quickness on the ice!



Meet Kaitlin Finnegan. Some people know her as Mini Finny. She started skating when she was 4 years old and was also part of the original “Super Six” 3 years ago. Her favorite position is playing center. She loves the Pittsburgh Penguins and Sidney Crosby. Her favorite RoadRunner player is Ryan White. Kaitlin attends Shawnee Heights Elementary and her favorite subject is math.

In her free time she loves playing knee hockey with her brother Ryan or roller blading in the basement while jammin' to the Black Eyed Peas. She also enjoys watching iCarly and playing Mario Brothers video games. Her favorite food is Chinese and Subway. When she grows up she wants to be a teacher. Come see Kaitlin work her moves on the ice.

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December payment  
is due now if you  
haven't paid yet.

Next payment is due  
February 1.

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## Squirts “tie up” the Outlaws

*Cindy and Brad Chaffin, Division*



After a two-week layoff between games, due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Squirts squad was back on the road this past weekend.

The Junior RoadRunners made their first trip of the season to Ice Sports in Shawnee to take on the Outlaws. The Squirts quickly found

themselves down 2-0, before Alex Ellison scored his first of four goals to cut the Outlaws' lead in half. Ellison struck again to tie the score by the end of the first period. Midway through the second period, the 'Runners thought they had taken the lead, but the goal was disallowed and the Squirts once again found themselves down by two goals going into the final period.

Coach Ellison used quick and timely line changes in the final period to keep fresh legs on the ice, and it paid off as the Squirts fought back to score two third-period goals and skate to a 4-4 tie with the Outlaws.

The Squirts record now stands at 2-5-2.

The Squirts return to home ice this week with an 11:30 AM faceoff on Sunday against the KC Stars-5.

**Happy Birthday to the following Squirts:**

December 6 – Cheyenne Yette

December 12 – Tre' Burkett



## Fundraising

**The next fundraising meeting will be** December 14th from 6-8pm at the Expocentre. Let your kids do the Learn to Skate session for \$15 while we meet in the stands

Dec 13: Happy Holidays!

Let's start helping sell these tickets.

Prizes:

Stiga Hockey Table

([www.hockeytables.com](http://www.hockeytables.com)) and

Slap Shot Mini Hockey Table (Dicks Sporting Goods)

Three \$10 gift certificates from (CheeseburgerCheeseburger)

\$1 ea or 6 for \$5 donation tickets sales

Home Games Concessions-

We always need volunteers for game day (2 people for each game)

Chuck a Puck -

players sell the chuck a pucks

We need a coordinator for Friday and Sat games

Team Picture Packages taken Steve Doyle [www.portraitefx.com/sunflower](http://www.portraitefx.com/sunflower)

Jan 23: Youth Hockey Night at the RoadRunners game selling tickets. We will sell tickets and a portion of each ticket toward player fees and to club expenses.

Thanks to all the parents, friends and fans for helping TYH