

Players, Parents and members:

Another season is soon upon us. Hopefully all of you took some good advice and partook in something other than hockey. Soon our nights and weekends will be spent at our other home...the arena.

While summer is a time off for the players and most coaches, the executive and volunteers have been busy planning up coming events. Our first event will be "Opening Day" a day planned for fun, excitement and a chance to meet up with old friends. We will be hosting our second annual equipment exchange as well; if you are like me you have perfectly good equipment lying around the house no longer being used. Please bring it down, turn it into cash or just give back to the community, so we can all help outfit the younger generation of players.

Our second event and our major fundraiser is "Marlies versus the Rochester Americans" in an actual AHL exhibition game. These are the big boys, fighting for a spot on a team; it should prove to be very exciting. More details to follow, so mark October 1st on your schedule and be sure to attend.

There are many more great things planned, keep an eye on the website for details. Again this year we will continue on our path of development and offer many exciting programs for the player that just wants to be better.

As most of you that use our website have seen, this was truly a sad summer with the passing of one of our own, Thomas Wright. I cannot begin to imagine the hardship the family is going through with this loss. The Wright family is a very involved "hockey family", please join me in sending our condolences. His teammates and all the people his spirit has touched while playing hockey will dearly miss Thomas.

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