



March 11, 2015

Friends of West Ranch Hockey Club,

I'm very excited to share lots of important information regarding the upcoming WRHC combine and evaluations as well as introduce the WRHC coaching staff to you in this newsletter.

2015 WRHC Combine and Evaluations – March 21st and March 29th

The WRHC coaching staff has put together the agenda below for each of the two days. Any player considering joining the WRHC should attend both events and pre-register by March 18 at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WRHCEvals>. Representatives from the Anaheim Ducks High School Hockey League (ADHSHL) and West Ranch High School are attending the March 21st evaluations and available for any questions you have.

Event #1: On-ice player evaluations and combine

When: Saturday, March 21st, 10:30am – 4pm

Location: Ice Station Valencia (10:30am – 12:30pm) & West Ranch High School (1pm-4pm)

Cost: \$40 per player, includes lunch and a WRHC T-shirt

Details: All players arrive at ISV locker room by 10:30am Saturday March 21st as we will conduct on-ice evaluations from 11am -12:30pm. Players will then be released to change into dryland gear and depart for a team lunch and combine events at WRHS. Parents or players to provide transportation to WRHS after on-ice evaluations. Lunch will be served at WRHS at 1pm and combine events will begin at 2pm and conclude at 4pm.

Event #2: On-ice player evaluations

When: Sunday, March 29th, 10:15am – 12:15pm

Location: Ice Station Valencia

Cost: \$30 per player

Details: Players arrive at ISV locker room by 10:15am. We will be on the ice from 10:45am to 12:15pm. Players released to parents after 12:15pm.

All players must complete the online WRHC registration form by March 18 at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WRHCEvals>

A 2014-2015 USA Hockey Registration is required to participate in evaluations. Any player who does not currently possess this registration must register via <https://www.usahockeyregistration.com> prior to March 21st.

Open Enrollment - Filling Up Fast

For players interested in transferring to West Ranch, the open enrollment deadline is April 3 and the school is recommending that you turn in the open enrollment form as soon as possible. (If you decide later on to not transfer, the transfer request can be rescinded.) The open enrollment form is attached to this email, please complete the form and email it to the registrar's office at mwalsh@hartdistrict.org as soon as possible.

WRHC Coaching Staff

As you know, identifying and hiring a great coaching staff has been our utmost priority. Over the past four months I've interviewed numerous candidates. Our focus has not been on just hiring one coach, it's been on building a comprehensive and experienced coaching staff that will help us build our new program from the ground up.

I've always believed that if you surround yourself with great people, great results take care of themselves. Let me introduce you to some great people that are dedicated and passionate about making WRHC a quality program that develops our student athletes to their fullest potential.

Coach Chris Greene

Coach Greene brings over 19 years of ice hockey experience to WRHC. He is currently the assistant coach of the Valencia Flyers Junior A team in the Western States Hockey League. Chris grew up in a small hockey town in upstate New York where he began his playing career. Shortly after years of youth hockey, he moved to Lake Placid, New York, where he played high school hockey. In that same year, their team was able to make it to the NY State Championships. After that season Chris went on to play the remainder of his High School career at Northwood Prep School, a very well-known private school for advancing hockey talent. During his high school years Chris played in the USA Hockey Select Festival for three consecutive years representing the New York and the New England areas.

Following his High School years, he went on to play Major Juniors in the Ontario Hockey League for the Erie Otters. Exceeding his junior playing days, he pursued his hockey career and played professionally in the East Coast Hockey League, Central Hockey League, and the Southern Professional Hockey League over the course of 9 years. Chris has been involved with hockey camps since he was in high school and up until now. He spent four summers coaching in Can/Am hockey camps helping kids improve their hockey skills. He has also worked with Weekend Warriors Adult Hockey Academy the past two summers.

Coach Justin Dyke

Coach Dyke is a southern California native that has over 12 years of coaching experience, including Head Coach of the Flyers 18U AA team which made the playoffs the last three years including two final four appearances. Prior to that, Justin was an assistant coach on the Flyers Junior A team under Head Coach Jocelyn Langlois.

Justin started his youth hockey career in 1990 playing for the West Valley Wolves organization. He then moved to Valencia with the opening of the Ice station Valencia in 2000 where he played for the first midget team in the Valencia Express organization. Justin also was a part of the inaugural high school hockey league at ice station playing for the Granada Hills Highlanders.

After his junior year of high school he moved up to British Colombia where he played one season with the Williams Lake Timberwolves of the BCHL. He also spent some time that season playing with their farm club the Comox Glacier Kings of the VIJHL. His following season he played with the Helena Bighorns of the then AWWHL. He then spent two seasons playing for the Valencia Flyers/Vipers of the WSHL.

Coach Chris LeCornu

Coach LeCornu has 15 years of hockey playing and coaching experience. Most recently Chris was Head Coach of the Valencia Jr. Flyers Bantam A where he successfully built a SCAHA playoff team in his first year as Head Coach with a team consisting of many first time travel players. Chris loves to teach hockey and develop all players to their full potential.

Chris even has experience as a Wildcat High School hockey player, having played prep hockey at Vermont Academy which has a long and proud tradition of hockey, with the first Vermont Academy Wildcat team taking the ice almost one hundred years ago. Vermont Academy has produced Stanley Cup champions, Hockey Hall of Famers, and Olympic medalists. Chris played college hockey at the University of Denver where he met his wife Megan.

Chris and Megan recently moved to Santa Clarita from Ridgecrest, CA where Chris is the owner of a McDonald's Franchise. The move to Santa Clarita allowed Chris to fulfill his desire to coach hockey and continue to be an entrepreneur and small business owner.

Coach JP Gale

Coach Gale brings a wealth of playing and coaching experience to the West Ranch Hockey Club. JP played travel hockey for the West Valley Wolves for 12 years and won a World Championship in 1998 in Quebec with the Jr. Kings Pee Wee AAA. JP played on the Jr. Kings Midget AAA where JP participated in the MAC tournament in Calgary and was selected to the 2001 Chicago Showcase team and was Captain of the 2002 Showcase team.

JP played Junior hockey with the Bay City Bombers of the WSHL and was named Alternate Captain, Defensive Player of the Year and First Team All Star. JP played for the Wisconsin Knights in the Minnesota Junior Hockey League (MNJHL) and was named an Alternate Captain and All Star for the MNJHL and played in the 2003 NAHL Showcase in Blaine, Minnesota. JP graduated from Cal. State Northridge and served as the captain of CSUN Men's hockey team all five seasons he played. JP was selected to the All Pacific Region Team three times and was an All

American in 2009-10 and named to the All-Academic Team his junior and senior years. JP was one of three players from the West Coast to attend the World University Game tryouts in 2009.

Today JP is the Head Coach at Cal. State Northridge, in the past he has served as an assistant coach with the West Valley Wolves, LA Jr. Kings and AV Northerners. Professionally JP serves as a full time staff member at Cal. State Northridge as the Manager for Club Sports.

Coach Megan LeCornu – Strength and Conditioning Specialist

Athletics have always been a part of Coach Megan’s life. Megan played soccer for 14 years and had the opportunity to train at elite training facilities such as the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. Additionally, Megan raced snow-cross for a few years, and still enjoys snowboarding and waterskiing. While at the University of Denver, Megan co-founded a fitness club that focused on personal training for the student body.

After college Megan went to Harvard School of Dental Medicine to pursue a dental degree where she continued to participate in cross-training and distance running. She then went to University of North Carolina for her residency training to become an Orthodontist.

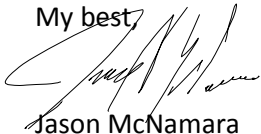
Megan and Chris are happy to call Santa Clarita home. Megan has recently become partner at Gilbertson & LeCornu Orthodontics which supports local sports teams by fabricating custom mouth guards to promote oral health with athletics. Athletics is an integral component of Megan’s life and as strength and conditioning coach she will help young athletes develop the skills and strength necessary to bring their game to the next level.

One last note on coaching staff, specific appointments such as Head, Assistant, JV or Varsity cannot be given at this time as we need to conduct evaluations so we know how many teams we are going to have. If we end up with multiple teams, additional coaches may be brought on.

I encourage everyone to get the word out regarding our March 21st and 29th evaluations. Please tell interested families to email Stacey Titter their email address and get added to our WRHC communications.

We look forward to seeing our future WRHC Wildcats on March 21st!

My best,



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