



# USA Hockey National Championships Alliance News and Notes



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## Bantam Team Previews

### St. Alban Maple Leafs: St. Alban, Vermont – New England District

The St. Alban Maple Leafs won the Vermont A/B State Championships and then went on to capture the New England District by beating Bridgeport, CT 12-0, Mid-Coast, ME 6-4, tied Nashua, NH 3-3, beat Avon, CT 7-0, and won the championship final against Edgewood, RI 3-1. For more information on St. Albans, go to... [http://www.usahockey.com/st\\_albans\\_skating\\_as/main/home\\_st\\_albans\\_skati/](http://www.usahockey.com/st_albans_skating_as/main/home_st_albans_skati/)



### Bridgewater Bears: Bridgewater, New Jersey – Atlantic District



The Bears are from Bridgewater, New Jersey and are representing the Atlantic District. They won their way into the District Championship by defeating DVHL Hersey 3-0, NJ Flyers Youth 3-2, and the NJ Jr. Phantoms 7-2 to advance to the Championship Round of a best 2 of 3 series, against the NJ Jr. Phantoms again. They then defeated the Phantoms to capture the District Championship and a trip to Nationals.

The Bears play in the New Jersey Youth Hockey League of the Atlantic Amateur Hockey Association. For more information about this league, go to... <http://www.njyhl.org/>.

For more information about the Bears, go to... <http://www.bridgewaterbears.net/index2.html>

### NJ Youth Hockey League – Final Standings

Team	Wins	Losses	Ties	Points	GA
<b>BRIDGEWATER BEARS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>45</b>
FLYERS YOUTH	14	3	2	30	33
JR. PHANTOMS PURPLE	14	3	2	30	39
NJ COLONIALS	13	4	2	28	52
AMERICAN EAGLES	12	5	2	26	37
BRICK	9	5	5	23	70
HOLLYDELL HURRICANES	9	6	4	22	51
MONTCLAIR BLUES	8	11	0	16	66
ROCK ICE PREDATORS	7	10	2	16	72
LAWRENCE FLAMES	5	11	3	13	98
RED BANK GENERALS	5	13	1	11	80
MERCER CHIEFS	3	15	1	7	99
JR. PHANTOMS BLACK	3	16	0	6	113
PRO SKATE STARS	2	17	0	4	133



**Clinton Comets: Clinton, NY – New York District**

The Comets are from Clinton, New York and are representing the New York District. Here are the Bantam NY State/District Tournament Results...



- Clinton Comets 5, Binghamton Jr. Senators 3
- Clinton Comets 4, Ice Time Polar Bears 4
- Clinton Comets 3, Canton Bears 1
- Clinton Comets 11, Bud Bakewell Bruins 4
- Clinton Comets 7, Ithaca Bears 0
- Clinton Comets 4, Ice Time Polar Bears 0



The Comets play in the New York State Amateur Hockey Association. For more information about this league, go to... [http://www.usahockey.com/new\\_york/main/home\\_new\\_york/](http://www.usahockey.com/new_york/main/home_new_york/)

For more information about the Comets, go to... <http://www.clintonhockey.org/home.html>

**SouthShore SeaHawks: Norwell, Mass. – Massachusetts District**

The Bantam A Team is the first team from the Seahawks to win a State Championship in the National Bound Tournament. The team has been together since the 2003 spring try-outs. Their overall record between summer leagues, South Shore conference, JR High League and tournaments is 43 wins - 3 losses -3 ties to date..

Besides winning the Massachusetts National Bound tournament, the Bantam A's recently won the Mike Eruzione Gold Medal Tournament in which many AAA teams participated.

The SeaHawks are a District 4 Association within Massachusetts Hockey and play in the South Shore Ice Hockey Conference. For more information about this league, go to... <http://www.wso.net/sschockey/>

For more information about the SeaHawks, go to... <http://members.aol.com/ssseahawks/>

**South Shore Conference – Final Standings**



TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	POINTS
<b>SEAHAWKS</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>40</b>
BROCKTON	18	2	3	39
NORWOOD	16	3	2	34
CANTON	16	5	2	34
MILTON	15	7	1	31
HINGHAM	14	6	2	30
FALMOUTH	12	5	3	27
WHK	13	9	0	26
MOHAWKS	11	9	3	25
PEMBROKE	10	8	3	23
WESTWOOD	9	8	5	23
DUXBURY	8	9	4	20
BRAINTREE	7	12	2	16
PLYMOUTH	4	16	2	10
COASTAL STAR	3	16	4	10
HANOVER	3	6	2	8
BREWINS	3	19	1	7
WEYMOUTH	3	18	1	7
CC CANAL	1	23	0	2

### Troy Sting: Troy, Michigan – Michigan District

For the Bantam AA Troy Sting, the final of the state tournament was business as usual. A traditionally slow starting squad, the Sting bounced back from a 1-0 first period deficit to score five unanswered goals to defeat the Livonia Knights, 5-1, in the Bantam AA state tournament final on Feb. 29 at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena.



Troy's speed and fore-check helped them keep possession in deep, and on the other end, the Sting blueliners were able to make good first passes to get the puck out of their own zone. "Winning the state tournament has been our focus all year," said Troy coach Doug Jakubik, whose team lost last year in the districts to eventual state champion Belle Tire. "The kids had a lot to prove and have really come together. We don't have any real stars on the team, but they are a real team."

Livonia shut out Traverse City Burger King, 3-0, while Troy beat the Westland Bruins, 2-1, in the semifinals.

For the complete article, go to... <http://www.michiganhockeyonline.com/mhcupbantamaa.html>

### 2003 Little Caesars League Bantam Division 2

TEAM	GP	%	PTS	WON	LOST	TIE	G/F	G/A
<b>1. TROY STING</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>.906</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>20</b>
2. BELLE TIRE	16	.687	22	11	5	0	64	38
3. GP SPARTANS	16	.656	21	10	5	1	64	45
4. KNIGHTS BT. AA	16	.625	20	9	5	2	41	27
5. PT HURON FLAGS	16	.562	18	9	7	0	52	44
6. SMAHL AA #2	16	.468	15	7	8	1	58	50
7. USA EAGLES	16	.281	9	4	11	1	39	63
8. TRENTON	16	.156	5	2	13	1	30	89
9. MIJAGS	16	.156	5	2	13	1	37	80



### Orland Park Vikings: Orland Park, Illinois – Central District

The Vikings of Orland Park Illinois finished 2<sup>nd</sup> to the defending U14 National Champion Darien Huskies in the 14 team Bantam AA Division of the very tough Central States Development League (CSDHL) of the Amateur Hockey Association of Illinois. They came back in the State Championships though, finishing the tournament with 5 wins and 1 loss, and beat the Huskies in the final 5-4 to take home the crown.

For more information about the Vikings, go to... <http://vikingsyouthhockey.netfirms.com/>

### 2003 Central States Development League

Team	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Huskies	26	21	4	1	43	133	49
<b>Orland Park Vikings</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>57</b>
Chicago Cyclones	26	15	6	5	35	94	55
Affton Americans	26	15	7	4	34	107	61
Madison Capitols	26	15	7	4	34	97	67
Chicago Blues	26	14	7	5	33	91	57
Peoria Jr. Rivermen	26	14	8	4	32	114	93
Chesterfield Falcons	26	11	10	5	27	83	66
Chicago Flames	26	9	10	7	25	88	77
Northwest Chargers	24	9	11	4	22	59	66
Glenview Stars	25	6	14	5	17	70	81
Crystal Lake Leafs	25	4	19	2	10	28	100
Deerfield Falcons	24	3	20	1	7	47	110
Skokie Flyers	26	0	26	0	0	19	185



### State Championships



## **Atlanta Fire: Atlanta, Georgia – Southeast District**

*(This section is a re-print of the information included in Newsletter #2.)*

Way back on September 7<sup>th</sup>, the Bulldogs squared off against the Atlanta team in a Southern Tier Hockey League (STHL) weekend in Houston. Alliance was playing as a “guest” team to supplement a regular STHL league weekend tournament.

It was a back and forth game, with the Bulldogs falling behind by 2 goals early, but coming back to tie it in the 3rd period. With less than 3 minutes remaining, the Bulldogs found themselves down 2 men during a 3 on 5 shorthanded situation. Atlanta capitalized and won the game on a power play goal, 5-4. Alliance collected 36 minutes in penalties during that game, and gave the Fire 2 power play goals on 6 opportunities. Alliance out-shot Atlanta 27 to 16 for the game.



Atlanta got into the Nationals by way of 5 wins and 0 losses in the Southeast District Championships. They outscored their opponents 36 to 9, including a Championship game victory over the South Florida Golden Wolves, 5-0. The Wolves had earned their way into the final by way of a victory over another common Alliance opponent, the **Ellenton Eels**, with former Dallas Storm player Teddy Ruth playing for the Eels. The Bulldogs beat Ellenton at a Columbus Day Tournament in Boston, 2-0. For more information on the Fire, go to....<http://www.atlantafire.com/>

## **San Jose Jr. Sharks: San Jose, California – Pacific District**

*(This section is a re-print of the information included in Newsletter #2.)*



On November 27th in the Annual Littleton Thanksgiving Tournament in Colorado, the Bulldogs opened the tournament with a 2-1 loss to the San Jose Jr. Sharks.

It was a tight game throughout, but San Jose got all the scoring they would need with 2 goals in the first period. Alliance trimmed the lead to 2-1 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> period on a shorthanded goal by Chad Hudson, but could not crack the Sharks defense any more. The 3<sup>rd</sup> period was scoreless, and San Jose outshot Alliance for the game, 18 to 12. The Sharks went on to win the tournament, with their only loss coming to the Littleton Hawks during a preliminary game, 2-1.

San Jose comes into Nationals as the Pacific District Champions, going 4 and 1 in the district tournament, with their only loss coming against the California Wave. They came back and beat the Wave 3-1 in the final for the championship. For more information on the Sharks, go to... <http://www.sjrsharks.com/>

## **PeeWee Opponents**

This particular issue provides for a review of the **Bantam teams ONLY**, as a future issue will possibly provide a review of the PeeWee teams as that information becomes available.

**Next Issue:** Results and articles about the first preliminary round games for Alliance, results of other related games, and more detailed information about the next Bulldog game and their opponent. To get on the email list to receive this newsletter, send an email to.....

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