



# Time Out

The official newsletter of the 2005 IIHF Hockey Development Camp

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## Welcome to Vierumaki



Let me welcome you to the 2005 IIHF Hockey Development Camp!

By now, I am sure that you realize what a unique and great opportunity it is to take part in this Development Camp. You 360 participants represent the future of our sport, and I know how highly each of your countries must think of you to send you to be a participant in this camp.

But getting to Vierumaki is just the first step in a long journey. What you get from this week, will be largely up to you. You have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to be around people from over 40 different nations that share a common interest: ice hockey. This week is a chance for you to develop your skills both on and off the ice, but more importantly it is a chance for you to learn about fellow ice hockey players from different countries.

I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity. Be curious, be open, talk to each other, interact with each other, teach each other, and most importantly, learn from each other. Because what you learn during this week here in

Finland is something that you will carry with you for the rest of your life.

And when you do pack your bags at the end of the week, your real job begins. Because it is when you go home that you must spread your knowledge to your teammates, coaches, officials and anyone else in the hockey world. We want this camp to reach more than just the 360 people here. Think about it, if every person from this camp goes home and talks to only 10 people about what they learned here, that's 3,600 people that will develop further. That number jumps quickly the more people you choose to teach when you get home.

Whether you make only 10 percent use of this camp or 100 percent use is up to you. Please join the camp with a positive attitude. Remember to thank all staff members and your instructors, who have spent much of their own time preparing for this camp. And please keep an open mind in everything you do in the upcoming week.

We are all in for a journey that is sure to take us far. I hope you enjoy the ride!

*- Shoichi Tomita, IIHF Vice President.*

### Two Minutes in the Box

#### Today's Highlights:

Things got started with the opening ceremony for all participants. Teams and the various programs also got started with their first full day of action on and off the ice.

#### Monday's Weather:

Let the sun shine. Monday's forecast calls for blue skies and a high of 25 degrees. Enjoy!



#### Around the World: Lofty Liechtenstein



Liechtenstein is a tiny nation located in the heart of Europe. The nation has 129 registered players and a mere three rinks. There are three people here in Vierumaki from the country. Michael Hermann is on the Red Team, while Romeo Schädler is on the Blue team. Rounding out the delegation is Jan Fucha, a Learn to Play instructor.

#### Did You Know?

Norway was the most successful team during the 2004-2005 season. Every team that the Norwegians sent to an IIHF World Championship won a gold medal. The nation's Senior, Women's, U20 and U18 teams were all promoted to the next division.

#### Reminders

Please don't forget that you must wear your accreditation whenever you go to any meal. You will not be allowed in the cafeteria without it. Also please be sure to clean up your table after all meals in the cafeteria.

## No ice? No Problem! Welcome to the world of Floorball

### Ice hockey minus the ice:

In the summer months, ice is a hard thing for many hockey players to find. But there's always an alternative for players looking to stay in shape during the warm months.

John Liljelund from the International Floorball Federation is here in Vierumaki to watch the Hockey Development Camp.

Just what is floorball, you ask? In simple terms, it is ice hockey played without the ice. But just because you're not skating doesn't

mean this sport is easy. Floorball players run around five kilometers during a game. Games are similar to ice hockey with three, 20-minute periods. And, just like in ice hockey, there is a Men's and Women's World Championship, which sells out 10,000-seat arenas.

Sweden is the most popular floorball country and the reigning men's World Champion, while Switzerland was the surprise winner of this year's women's championship. Overall there are 270,000 registered members

in the International Floorball Federation, but it's estimated that around 1.5 million people all over the globe play the game.

The good news is floorball is a cheap and simple game to play. All you need is a pair of tennis shoes a stick and the lightweight ball to get started. More good news for hockey players is the game uses almost the same skills as ice hockey.

So if you're looking hockey in the warm months, see if floorball is in your country!

## On the Ice: Meet Team Red

### Team Players:

Tyler MacDonald	G	Canada
Felix Bruckmann	G	Germany
Viktor Hedman	D	Sweden
Yannis Leduff	D	France
Gregorc Blaz	D	Slovenia
Reinier Staats	D	Netherlands
Guillem Ruiz	D	Spain
Ivan Delic	D	Croatia
Niklas Westerlund	F	Finland
Duncan McKellar	F	USA
Roman Grechannikov	F	Russia
Kennie Christensen	F	Denmark
Patrick Ulriksen	F	Norway
Patrik Popovics	F	Hungary
Jeffrey Melissant	F	Netherlands
Marko Brkusanin	F	Serb. & Mon.
Patricio Hernandez	F	Mexico
Michael Hermann	F	Liechtenstein
Ilja Oleinik	F	Estonia

### Team Staff:

P. Misek	Czech Rep.	M. Coach
L. Mass	Netherlands	Manager
K. Rautie	Finland	Coach
P. Galabov	Bulgaria	Coach
N. Bera	Serbia & Mont.	Coach
T. Piscotta		Coach
H. van Horrik	Netherlands	Equip.

### Team Schedule / Results:

Sunday	vs. White
Monday	vs. Black
Tuesday	vs. Blue
Thursday	vs. Yellow
Friday	vs. Turquoise
Saturday	vs. Maroon

### About the Team:

The Red Team, better known as Team One, has three players that have travelled from North America to join the team. Tyler MacDonald (Canada),

Duncan McKellar (USA), and Patricio Hernandez (Mexico) all arrived last night to the Development Camp.

For Tyler MacDonald, the long travel day was made even longer when his equipment was lost during his travels. MacDonald still didn't have his equipment when the team's first practice started, but luckily it arrived mid-practice and he was on the ice for the final minutes.

Last night, like all the other teams here in Vierumaki, was the first chance that the 17 teammates from 17 different nations were introduced. According to Mentor Coach Peter Misek (Czech Republic) it took no time for the team come together.

"They were pretty quiet at our first meeting," Misek said. "But we did some ice breaking activities this morning and they are starting the learn much more about each other."

Now that the players are getting more comfortable with each other, Misek and the rest of the Team Red staff are looking forward to a fun and successful week with the squad.

One thing is certain for the Red Team, they have a definite home ice advantage. Coach Kai Rautio is from Finland and a member of the Coaching Degree Program, which is located here in Vierumaki. Rautio also played for the Finnish national team in the early 90s. The team also has a Finnish player, Niklas Westerlund, who is the son of Finnish national team head coach, Erkka Westerlund.

The team will be rotating its captain throughout the camp. But the lucky player to be named captain on the first day of action was Patricio Hernandez from Mexico.

Team Red's first game was on Sunday afternoon against Team Two (white).

## Sunday's Game Results

### Team Red 2, Team White 1

It was a low-scoring, close game when Team Red and Team White met in the first game of the 2005 IIHF Hockey Development Camp. In the end, it was Team Red's Viktor Hedman lifting his team to a 2-1 win late in the second half of the game.

The teams exchanged goals in the first 30 minutes. It was Red who got on the board first when Kennie Christensen scored. Team White responded five minutes later when Thomas Stiberuitz netted the only White goal of the game. The goal set up the second-half showdown, which ended with nine minutes left when Hedman struck.

### Team Green 4, Team Yellow 3

The second game of the Development Camp was just as close as the first, as Team Green edged Team Yellow in a 4-3 win.

Team Green was in good position at the end of the first half of the game, holding a commanding 3-1 lead. Jamie Cinic, Stephan Novotn and Hrvoje Bozic each scored in the first-half flurry. On the Yellow side, it was Joonas Komulainen scoring the lone goal.

But Yellow picked things up in the second half of the game, and closed the gap with a goal from Komulainen just over a minute into the period.

Bozic scored his second goal of the game with ten minutes to give Green a little breathing room. The goal was ultimately the game-winner as Yellow added just one more goal, from Filip Cruseman, to bring the final score to 4-3.

### Game Format

The games at the 2005 IIHF Development Camp are not following the traditional three-period format. Instead the games will be played in two, 30-minute halves.

### Editor's Note

In order to distribute the Camp Newsletter on time each evening, the two late game results and recaps will be included in the next day's newsletter.



Hello, my name is Finkey. I am a Finnish lion. I am famous all around Finland after I was the big star of the 2003 IIHF World Championship when it was here in my home country. I have been given a very important job at this camp. I get to teach all of you the Finnish language. Are you ready for your first lesson? Here it is:

Kiitos = Thank You

Ole hyvä = You're Welcome

Suomi = Finland