



# 2014-2015 UWHL ANNUAL REPORT

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## APPOINTED POSITIONS

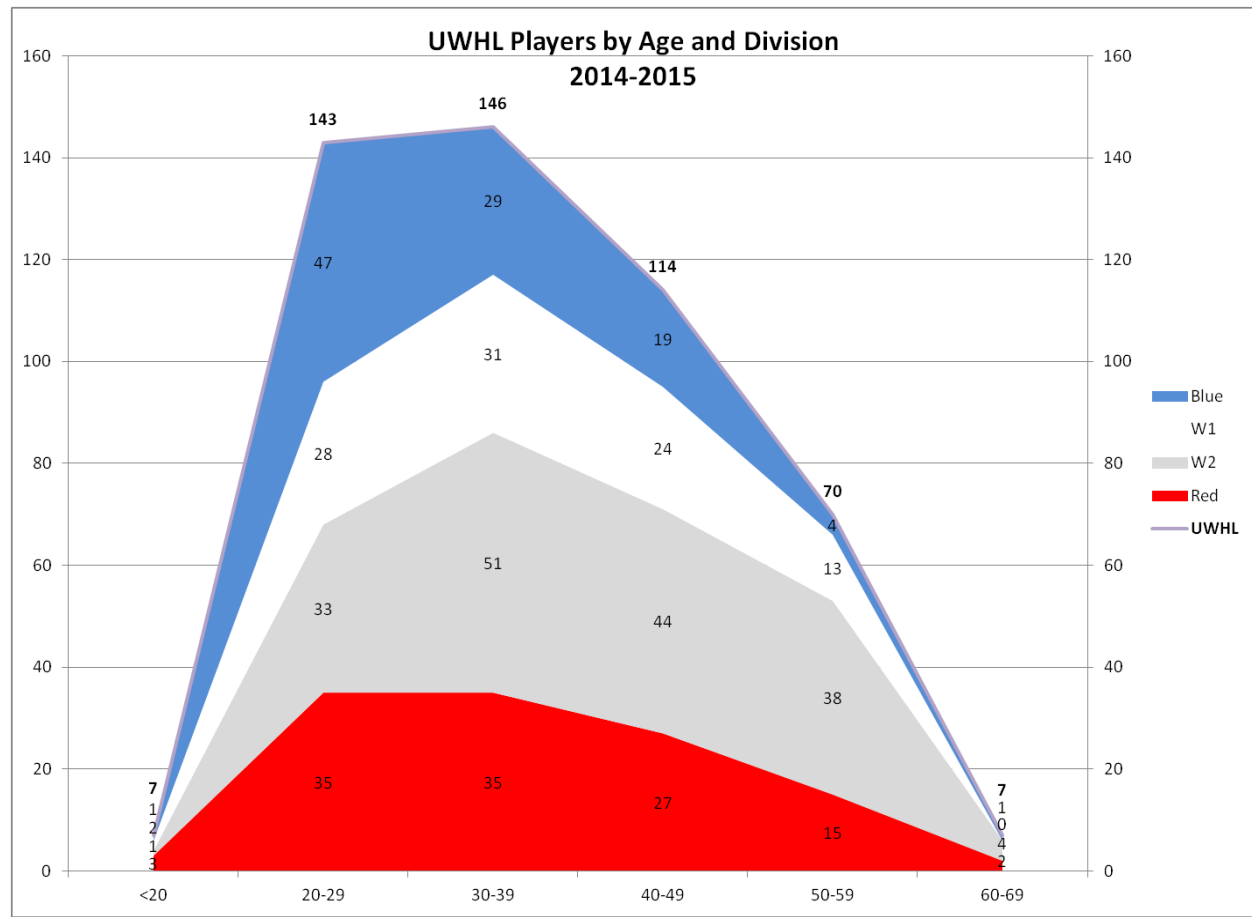
**Referee in Chief:** Madeleine Weeks  
**Statistician:** Lisa Cervo  
**Webmaster:** Meghan Gallagher  
**Chair, Website Committee:** Maureen Sharon  
**Blue Conference Scheduler:** Sherri Croftcheck  
**White Conference Division 1 Scheduler:** Dawn Reeps  
**White Conference Division 2 Scheduler:** Kim Cooper  
**Red Conference Scheduler:** Meghan Gallagher

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The addition of standard forms for each team in the UWHL has allowed us to get a full picture of the makeup of each team, division, and the UWHL as a whole.

Div	Teams	Skaters Rostered	Goalies Rostered	Unique Goalies	Unique Players	Players/ Team	#USAH Rosters	Rosters/ Team	#Coaches	Unique Coaches	#Missing Documentation*
Red	6	105	12	11	116	19.5	12	2.0	22	21	1
W2	9	144	27	17	161	19.0	20	2.2	17	15	2
W1	5	88	10	9	97	19.6	6	1.2	11	10	0
Blue	5	88	13	10	98	20.2	5	1.0	7	7	4
Total	25	425	62	36	461		43		57	50	7 (2%)
Average by team		17	2.5		18.4		1.7		2.3		0.3
Range		13 - 24	1 - 5		16 - 26		1 - 5		0 - 7		0 - 3

\*Roster summary not complete



## 2014-2015 UWHL FINAL TEAM STANDINGS AND RANKING NOTES

The UWHL had three Conferences – Red, White, and Blue. The White Conference was divided into 2 divisions, with the elimination of White Division 3 this season.

<b>RED CONFERENCE</b>	<b>Total Wins</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>Totals Ties</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Total Assists</b>	<b>Total Penalty Minutes</b>	<b>*Final Division Rank</b>
<b>Hawks</b>	14	2	0	28	58	9	60	32	1
<b>Mighty Moose</b>	11	2	3	25	42	13	45	26	2
<b>Bobcats</b>	7	5	4	18	39	28	29	12	3
<b>Americans</b>	5	7	4	14	24	29	NA	NA	4
<b>Freeze Red</b>	3	12	1	7	14	46	11	18	5
<b>Reapers</b>	1	13	2	4	19	71	10	28	6

NA – Some stats were not available

<b>WHITE CONFERENCE D2</b>	<b>Total Wins</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>Totals Ties</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Total Assists</b>	<b>Total Penalty Minutes</b>	<b>*Final Division Rank</b>
<b>Wings</b>	13	1	2	28	67	16	60	14	1
<b>Freeze</b>	12	1	3	27	48	12	57	22	2
<b>Predators</b>	10	4	2	22	50	26	59	20	3
<b>Queenston</b>	8	7	1	17	40	36	41	18	4
<b>Flames</b>	5	8	3	13	42	49	38	42	5
<b>Senators</b>	3	8	5	11	36	53	34	62	6
<b>Americans</b>	2	8	6	10	25	45	27	53	7
<b>Lightning</b>	2	10	4	8	22	59	16	36	8**
<b>Hawks</b>	2	10	4	8	22	56	28	32	9**

\*\*The Lightning defeated the Hawks once and the other game was a tie.

<b>WHITE CONFERENCE D1</b>	<b>Total Wins</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>Totals Ties</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Total Assists</b>	<b>Total Penalty Minutes</b>	<b>*Final Division Rank</b>
<b>Hawks</b>	11	4	1	23	52	32	47	32	1
<b>Freeze</b>	8	5	3	19	49	31	57	24	2
<b>Black Widows</b>	7	6	3	17	34	47	32	66	3
<b>Quarry Cats</b>	6	8	2	14	29	42	54	18	4
<b>Thrashers</b>	2	11	3	7	25	47	23	49	5

<b>BLUE CONFERENCE</b>	<b>Total Wins</b>	<b>Total Losses</b>	<b>Totals Ties</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Total Assists</b>	<b>Total Penalty Minutes</b>	<b>*Final Division Rank</b>
<b>Lady Patriots</b>	13	1	1	27	89	33	80	46	1
<b>Quarry Cats</b>	12	2	2	26	84	39	64	84	2
<b>Voodoo</b>	7	9	0	14	51	64	50	44	3
<b>Flames</b>	3	11	2	8	35	79	30	44	4
<b>Bobcats</b>	1	13	1	3	30	74	37	46	5

\*Final ranking is end of regular season.

### **LEADING SCORER AWARDS**

Red Division – Megan Sims (Hawks)

White Division 2 – Nicole Terpak (Wings)

White Division 1 – Maria Gibson (Hawks)

Blue Conference – Rebecca Beyer (Lady Patriots) (2 years in a row)

### **PLAYOFF RESULTS**

Blue Conference Champions – **Quarry Cats Blue**

White Division 1 Champions – **Hawks**

White Division 2 Champions – **Bridgewater Wings**

Red Conference Champions – **Hawks**

### **GENERAL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

The UWHL Classic event was held at Giant Center in Hershey on January 17, 2015. The Giant Center is home to the AHL Hershey Bears (AHL team of the Washington Capitals). 17 teams and 69 players participated in 2 games. The games were 1 hour slots with 12 minute stop-clock periods and time for warm ups and photos. Tickets were sold at \$25 for lower level seats and \$20 for upper level seats. A league profit of \$6.50 was made off each ticket. Teams not participating in the event paid the \$100 buyout fee as approved by team representatives at the annual meeting. The Treasurer’s Report will reflect profit and expenses for the event. Referees for the event were provided by the Central Penn Hockey Referees Association.

During this year’s playoffs, the Delaware Snipers Sled Hockey Fundraiser Event was continued. The UWHL donated one ice slot during playoffs and gave the participants t-shirts featuring the Snipers and UWHL logos. The Snipers had a donation box and information on their organization available during their game. The UWHL will look to partner with the Snipers for future events.

The Philadelphia Honor players (refer to final listed provided) remain “blacklisted” as a team and as individuals due to their conduct in the 2012-2013 UWHL season. None of the “blacklisted” players asked to play in the UWHL, though a discussion did occur with MAWHL regarding at least one Honor player participating in their league.

## **PLAYOFF REPORT**

Playoffs were held March 28-29, 2015 at Ice Works. This is the first year of a new three year contract with Ice Works. The 2015 Playoffs featured the League parties in the Rink 3 and 4 party area and the return of popular food options including drink specials at the Pub's bar. Each participating playoff team paid \$450.00 to cover the cost of the playoffs.

As an added bonus to participating teams this season, each team was given donated grab bags and the Championship Teams received photos from PhilMar Photography. All UWHL players received skate towels as a thank you for participating in the UWHL this season. Those teams not at playoffs will be given their towels at the summer meeting.

The UWHL Referee in Chief was in charge of scheduling referees for playoffs. Scorekeepers/Timekeepers were scheduled through Ice Works at minimal cost to the League.

Volunteers from most of the participating playoffs teams were thin this year. Only one volunteer (Jill Roberts- Philadelphia Freeze) donated time on Sunday. Saturday, a majority of the slots were covered but additional help was still needed with the party room.

The Red Conference featured the Bobcats beating the Mighty Moose in an Overtime Shootout. The Hawks would go on to beat the Bobcats in the Red Conference final.

The White Division 2 featured the Freeze vs the Predators with the Freeze winning. The Wings beat Queenston in the other semi-final. The Wings would go on to win the White D2 Championship over the Freeze in the final.

In White Division 1, the Hawks beat the Quarry Cats and the Freeze beat the Black Widows in OT in the semi-finals. The Hawks would go on to win the Championship over the Freeze.

The Blue Conference featured the Lady Patriots vs the Flames and the Quarry Cats vs the Voodoo in the semifinals. The Flames eventually lost to the Quarry Cats in the Blue Conference Championship.

## **REFEREE IN CHIEF REPORT**

Late in the season Mark, the Head Coach of the Bobcats was concerned that a couple of teams were assigning unqualified officials. The RIC investigated and learned of 2 officials that were not qualified. One of the officials corrected it quickly and was allowed to continue working in the league after the correction. The assignors were informed that the other official could not be used again until further notice, as he did not register with USA Hockey for the season.

To prevent a similar situation in the future, the RIC will now check each official's credentials twice during the season: First, at the beginning of the season, and second within 1 week of Dec 1 (the previous year's registration expires for each official on Nov 30).

The RIC was also instrumental in facilitating communication between the UWHL Executive Committee and USA Hockey regarding a Match penalty given to a coach.

The RIC received 2 complaints regarding officiating during the regular season. One from the Bobcats Blue and one from the Patriots Blue. Both issues were handled through conversations with the respective assignors.

All Playoff assignments went smoothly. A substitute RIC was in place for playoffs and there were no issues reported with the officials. There were, in fact, some compliments.

### **WEBSITE COMMITTEE REPORT**

In July 2014, the Website Committee (Mo Sharon, Meghan Gallagher, and Jess Byrne) met for the first time to discuss goals for a new website – and recognized two major areas for improvement – stats and navigation. Based on this evaluation, Jess suggested two possible vendors to look at – SportNgin and Team Snap. At this time, Jess also chose to step down from the committee as her design expertise would not be required with a move to one of these vendors, rather than re-design of current site.

We evaluated and got quotes from both vendors, and presented our recommendation to move forward with SportNgin to the UWHL Board in August 2014.

Here are the details from SportNgin we presented to the Board:

<b>One-time Set-Up Cost</b>	<b>Monthly Cost</b>	<b>Stats Tracking</b>	<b>Design/Navigation</b>
\$495	\$105*	Excellent	Excellent

\*Monthly costs can be lowered by paying for one year (\$1070) or two years (\$2000) in advance

SportNgin is a USA Hockey partner, and recently re-vamped the USAH website. They offer a modular product, meaning you only buy the parts you need, as you need them.

The core website is “Sitebuilder”, and then we would also use the “League” component as well. The site would be full hosted, in a secure environment, by SportNgin. We work with a designer on their team to customize the look and feel of the site.

There is an unlimited nature to their system - unlimited pages, bandwidth, storage, support, registration/forms collection/payment sessions, unlimited messaging, memberships, permissions etc.

The set-up cost includes design services, and training for our web team. Their monthly costs also include unlimited support after the fact. All sites are built to be mobile-friendly, and our site would also be able to be accessed in their standalone free app.

Stats would be tracked directly in the tool, and no longer require a multi-step process.

We gained Board approval to sign a two-year contract with SportNgin, and began immediately to work with them, with the goal of going live with the new website PRIOR to the start of the season (October 2014).

While the quote delivered and paid for included the category for a higher number of teams we would have (with the dropping out of one team) – SportNgin provided some additional design work for us (team buttons on the Teams page) in exchange for this difference.

Note that our current 2-year contract will need to be renewed for the 2016-2017 season.

#### PROJECT SUCCESSES:

- Went live with the website on October 1, prior to the start of season (MET GOAL)
- Lisa trained on how to enter stats; Worked with SportNgin support to iron out issues with her permissions, and stats were loaded by Lisa within a week of first game (MET GOAL)
- Announced the site launch on the UWHL Facebook page and via the Yahoo team rep list
- Have created several “tips and tricks” posts on the UWHL Facebook page to help players find the information they are looking for on the new site

#### NEXT STEPS:

- Meghan and Mo will work to populate the Archives now that site is live
- UWHL Board will develop workflow for adding new players to website
- Continue to offer “tips and tricks” on UWHL Facebook page (Mo will continue with this)

#### FINAL NOTES:

- Committee Chair would like to recognize the work that Meghan put in to get our site up and running prior to the start of the season. She worked long hours to knock off lots of work and I want to recognize her for it.
- Committee would like to thank the Board for supporting this project – A new UWHL website is something the league players have been asking for year after year and I’m happy to say we achieved this!

#### **FUTURE SEASON NOTES**

The New Jersey Phoenix have applied for entry into the UWHL. They are located in northern New Jersey (north of the Quarry Cats). The application will be forwarded for review prior to the UWHL Annual Meeting scheduled for June 28, 2015.

The Hawks (Red), Wings (White D2), Hawks (White D1) are all eligible to move to the next higher division next season. The Lightning & Hawks (White D2) can ask for consideration to move down.

Conference Liaison positions will have vacant positions in 2014-2015 and will seek nominations.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

*Corrected on 7/31/2015 - M. Sharon, Treasurer Elect for 2015-2016 Season*

<b>Jul-14 to Jun-15</b>	
<b>Checking Starting Balance on 7/1/2014</b>	<b>\$14,987.78</b>
<b>Checking Ending Balance on 6/30/2015</b>	<b>\$13,825.73</b>
25 Teams in League in 2014-2015 Season	
<b>Income/Profit</b>	
League Fees (\$100)	\$2,500.00
Playoff Monies (\$450)	\$10,230.00
Fines /Appeals	\$100.00
Classic Tickets Sold	\$7,024.00
Classic Ticket Buyout	\$800.00
T-Shirt Fundraiser	\$356.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$21,010.00</b>
<b>Expenses/Loss</b>	
Attorney/Bylaw Fees	\$0.00
DE Tax and DE Agent	\$74.00
New Web Site	\$2,495.00
Classic Tickets Purchased (Hershey Bears)	\$5,147.25
All star jerseys	\$0.00
Trophies	\$414.15
Administrative: envelopes, stamps, postage, scoresheets	\$324.63
Bank Fees (returned checks/checks)	\$60.00
Return Playoff Monies	\$3,030.00
Playoff ice/Scorekeepers (Sniper Ice)	\$4,602.50
Referee	\$1,300.00
Ed Snider Donation	\$50.00
Tournament Fee	\$0.00
End-of-year Party at Pub	\$1,640.52
Team Snacks/Tips	\$114.85
Mailing Trophies	\$0.00
Rowan Event	\$0.00
Sniper T-Shirts	\$309.60
Phil/Mar Photos	\$175.00
Team Giveaways @ Playoffs	\$1,678.34
T-Shirt Fundraiser	\$706.10
<b>Total Expenses Paid</b>	<b>\$22,121.94</b>
<b>Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>-\$1,111.94</b>