



LEE VALLEY ICE HOCKEY LTD

Dear Supporter

I am sorry that I am unable to appear in person at this meeting but unfortunately my work commitments with the Fire Brigade during the summer period make life extremely difficult. especially as need as much help as possible during the Ice Hockey Season, as I am sure you will appreciate. I feel sure that you will have many questions for me and I will do my best to answer them as time goes on. because as many of you already know I am quite approachable.

However on to what you want to know:-

Coach - Mr. MARKKU HERALA (Yes he is FINNISH !)

Ass Coach- Mr Eddie Joseph (He has decided to hang up his skates unless needed further in the season)

IMPORTS

Two Finnish players.

One forward and a defenceman

DUAL NATIONAL

Will be a forward, I have several choices and as yet haven't decided

Re-Classified/ Junior 'B' with British Passport

A forward who is a Junior 'B' player

Unfortunately I feel it would be tempting fate to name any of these players but I can tell you that none of them have played here before !

We are therefore having four Imports for the first time ever ! in order to give us a fair chance at competing this year, whilst also bringing back, hopefully, the well enjoyed and appreciated Finnish style to our game.

As for British Players, I have signed a new goalie Jamie Grindlay, Ex Medway & Streatham, who I feel sure will be an asset to the team.

Unfortunately Jim Graves has decided to join the Nottingham Panthers in the Premier Division, and as such I wish him the best of luck (unless we play them in the Benson & Hedges Cup).

Mark Salis bury has also decided to return along with Ronnie Evans Harvey which I am sure will help the cause up front this year, especially as I am still uncertain of Darren Bloomfield, through his own personal reasons. I also have three other players that I am talking to but cannot release their names until they put pen to paper. Whilst also bringing in players I have also draughted up five under 21's for our weeks pre-season training camp, all of which you have seen during several occasions - Gary Organ, Urcan Bennett, Daren Rosenfeld, Howard Wiggan and Adam Lamb.

With hopefully the rest of the team remaining including Neil Stower, Glen Moorhouse etc..

I appreciate that this letter isn't the same as hearing and being able to ask relevant questions but it will hopefully give you something to get the adrenalin going ready for the coming season. By the way as great as the new glass is it is guilty of killing sound so I am afraid that you will have go home hoarse and bring the decibel level up with your cheering this year

Steve James

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