

Welcome to sunny Vierumäki!



All the countries represented at the camp have their nation's flag waving proudly

After surviving the hustle and bustle at the airport, all 300 people made their way to Vierumäki Sport Institute of Finland for the 10th IIHF Development Camp. This is the 8th time the camp is being held in Finland.

After the opening ceremony, including speeches and an appearance by FINKEY, the players were divided into teams and then started their camp with some team building activities.

The first full camp day started was rather eventful with a power outage which either canceled or shortened morning ice practices. Fortunately the power is back on and the games can begin!

Vierumäki Times would like to wish everyone pleasant and eventful camp!

Two minutes in the box

Today's highlights:

Today's definite highlight was getting the electricity back to the rink, so you are able to play some hockey tonight

Monday's weather forecast:

Despite the thunderstorm today, the weather tomorrow is mostly clear, sunny and hot. The forecast promises 26°C. BUT you are in Finland so anything can happen

Quote of the day:

"It's not necessarily the amount of time you spend at practice that counts; it's what you put into the practice."
(Eric Lindros)

Question of the day:

In every Vierumäki times, we will have a question of a day.

Today's question:

Which brothers have most points in the NHL?
(Answer in tomorrow's Vierumäki times)

Finnish ABC's!!!

The staff in Vierumäki works hard to make your living easy. Let's learn some courtesy words, so we can thank them.

Thank you = Kiitos Hey = Moi

You're welcome = Ole hyvä!

How are you? = Mitä kuuluu?

Facts about Finland

Capital: Helsinki
Population: 5,374,781
Area: 338,424 km²

Finland is a country of thousands of lakes; 187,888 lakes to be exact.

The current President of the Republic of Finland is Tarja Halonen.

Meet Team Red “Red Bulls”

Team Roster:

Goalkeepers:

30 Landry Antoine CAN

31 Müller Stefan AUT

Defensemen:

3 Blanchard Lars SUI

4 HAGEN Mathias AUT

5 Romano Fulvio ITA

6 Saeteraas Emil Mathias NOR

7 Crowe Jordan GBR

8 Thornton Keegan RSA

Forwards:

10 Sverdlov Anton RUS

11 Boric Toni CRO

12 Erdely Csanad HUN

13 Lobin Artjom EST

14 Krastev Momchil BUL

15 Lopez Ricardo MEX

16 Kim Jin Soo KOR

17 Mrkva Haris BIH

18 HUNG Chi-Lun TPE

Staff:

MC Lindqvist Goran SWE

C Okuliar Branislav SVK

C Gunnlaugur Thoroddsen ISL

C Ohtonen Keijo FIN

GC Muriel Moya Pablo ESP

TM Golovanev Yegor BLR

EM Plattner Matthias AUT



Red team getting ready to play against White team

According to the mentor coach Goran Lindqvist from Sweden, the Red team is doing “*more than fine*”. The first day of the camp has been physical so far even though the power outage in the morning cut their practice from 75 to 25 minutes. The team was enjoying the warm and sunny weather by playing and training outside.

The Red team is having a blast and the team’s communication is good and only getting better despite the diverse nationalities that make up the team. There are only two guys from the same country. The Red team is facing team White tonight.

Mr. Lindqvist is proud of his coaching staff. “*They are also having a lot of fun and it shows in the end result. The co-operation between the coaches produces great practice plans and it is present all the time*” said Mr. Lindqvist. He would like to also emphasize the importance of their student coach Keijo Ohtonen. He is our “*go-to-guy*” when issues arise, says the Red team’s mentor coach.

The Red team have come up with a nickname for themselves, the “Red Bulls”. They are still working on their slogan but at the moment, it is:

“GO FOR IT!”

MC = Mentor Coach

C = Coach

GC = Goalie Coach

TM = Team Manager

EM = Equipment Manager

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