

Leadership Program – Facing Big Challenges



Leadership seminar has gathered people together from all over the world.

Like you already might know, there are lots of different seminars going on during the camp. One of those started late Tuesday night. Leadership Seminar for women's ice hockey has gathered people together from all around the world. One of the biggest challenges for the seminar participants will be to find ways to bring the countries' women's hockey playing standard closer together. The main focus of the seminar will be on National Team operations and how countries could recruit more women to take part in ice hockey.

One of the topics will also be to try to find ways to change people's attitude and prejudice against women's ice hockey. One of seminar leaders, Aku Nieminen from Finland, said that the seminar tries to give tools to the participants that they can use immediately when they return home. Nieminen also said that the seminar focuses on smaller countries and their needs, and on women's hockey player recruitment.

Two minutes in the box

Today's highlights:

It's time to go to Helsinki! Players can enjoy the capital city of Finland during sight-seeing and visit all the beautiful attractions that Helsinki has to offer. After that, it is time for SHOPPING! Remember to buy your souvenirs and gifts for home.

Thursday's weather forecast:

The forecast promises little bit cooler weather, with temperatures around +25°C. There is a slight chance of rain, so don't leave your accommodation without a warm jacket.

Quote of the day:

At least in ice hockey, the referee knows if it is a goal or not!

(An unidentified Camp Director)

Question of the day:

Yesterday's question: Where is IIHF's Office Located?

Answer: Zürich, Switzerland

Today's question:

What is the name of that weird creature hanging around the campus?



Some more Finnish words....

We know that Finnish is a really hard language, but it might be nice to know some basic ice hockey vocabulary. Here are today's words:

Goal = Maali

Pass = Syöttö

Ice Rink = Jäähalli

Referee = Tuomari

Body Check = Taklaus

Penalty = Jäähy / Rangaistus

Facts about Finnish Ice Hockey:

- 195 000 active players
- 67 463 licensed players
- 40 148 games per season
- 2973 teams
- 242 ice sheets
- 211 ice rinks
- Ice Hockey is the most popular sport in Finland
- 1995 Finland won their first and only World Championship gold

Meet Team White – Meowww!!!

Team Roster:

Goalkeepers:

30 Becker Mia USA

31 Marchhart Paula Camilla AUT

Defensemen:

3 Altmann Livia SUI

4 Vuorenmaa Karoliina FIN

5 Goncalves Mylene FRA

6 Bolton Hollie AUS

7 Kocsondi Nora HUN

8 Cruz Macarena MEX

Forwards:

10 Belyakova Liudmila RUS

12 Solnickova Katerina CZE

13 Kest Emilie BEL

14 Ronai Alexa HUN

15 Larger Beatrix ITA

16 Vioarsdottir Guorun ISL

17 Rhode Dalene RSA

18 Rebolledo Laura ESP

Staff:

MC Radcliffe Trina CAN

C Frere Patrick BEL

C Lundrigan Linda USA

C Friz Manuela ITA

C Lehtola Juha FIN

TM Verhoustinska Anna LAT

EM Järä Hemmo FIN



Team White on the bench during their game against Team Green.

Team White is fast and agile, and that's why their nickname is White Cats. Mentor Coach of the team, Trina Radcliffe from Canada, told Vierumäki Times that team White has great atmosphere and everybody is working as one unit. Coach Radcliffe is very pleased with her players, because they are all very versatile – it's easy for the coaches to change roles of the players from defense to offence.

Team White has solid defense and coach Radcliffe wants to pay special tribute to the two goalies as until now they've showed an outstanding performance. Radcliffe said that if there was something she'd like to improve about her team, it would be that the players should skate intensively throughout the whole game.

Communication is no longer a problem for team white, but in the beginning of the camp coaches needed to use a lot of hand-signals to communicate with their players.

Vierumäki Times also found out that team White has a special warm-up and cool-down regime of playing various frisbee games.

Team white will continue their camp on Thursday, at 6.15 pm against team Black, so be there and shout "1, 2, 3, White Cats!", meoww!!!

MC = Mentor Coach

C = Coach

TM = Team Manager

EM = Equipment Manager