

**Minnesota Hockey
Adult Committee Report
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Registration Update

- YTD Adult registrations total 4,189 which represents a 23 player increase or 0.6% over the prior year totals. Due to the change in USAH registration dates these counts will not change significantly and represent a “stub” year for comparison purposes.
- Both the MN Wild League and the Adult Hockey Association are registering players for Summer programs. The teams counts are projected at 10% growth, however new player registrations will be classified with next year’s counts.

Other News

- The Adult Hockey Association has implemented a new Spring Elite program at the Richfield Ice Arena. Offering this program provided players at AHA’s top skill level with new teams to compete with and provided USAH / MH registration benefits to the previously unregistered Richfield players.
- AHA and the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center are working to create a program to provide a league for players of the former Parks & Recreation city league as well as opportunities for adult beginner players.
- The USA Hockey Adult Council is developing plans for a National Recreational Hockey event combining ice hockey with non-hockey activities. The inaugural Recreational Hockey festival is scheduled for March, 2010 in Vail Colorado at the Dobson Arena.
- Promotion events are being planned with the Minnesota Wild league operating at the National Sports Center as well as with the Adult Hockey Association. The Wild League will be holding their event at the National Sports Center to coincide with the NHL Stanley Cup final series. The Adult Hockey Association promotional event is being planned around a St. Paul Saints game to be held during the Summer of 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,
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