

[www.northernice.org](http://www.northernice.org)

We are pleased to announce that the Northern Ice Website at [www.northernice.org](http://www.northernice.org) is up and fully functioning. Our new Webmaster **Kris Dixon** has done a fabulous job and all the news is available on our site. We have been posting test forms and schedules, club pictures, club news and competition announcements. Check often for the latest news between newsletters. Thanks so much Kris. You're the best!

## NISC Logo Merchandise

We have merchandise available with the Northern Ice logo available for purchase. We are offering a nylon jacket, a fleece jacket, a fleece blanket, a large duffle bag and a garment bag. Club pins will be available soon. Merchandise will be available year round. We will be placing an order Dec. 8. We will try and get these items in for Christmas delivery, but we cannot guarantee it. This is short notice, so you can email me orders at [northernsk8ers@aol.com](mailto:northernsk8ers@aol.com) or fax them to 708-349-9856; but, payment must be received by Dec 13.

Orders will still be taken after that date for delivery at a later date. An order form is enclosed with this newsletter and posted at [www.northernice.org](http://www.northernice.org). Payment must be *included* with orders placed *after* Dec 8. If you have any questions, call Lynn at 708-349-9854 or email [northernsk8ers@aol.com](mailto:northernsk8ers@aol.com).

## Test News

Our next test session is scheduled for Feb 12 from 11- 5pm at Arctic Ice Arena in Orland Park. We worked hard to get it on a day that is a non-school day in some districts and to get some after school hours. Test forms will be mailed soon or will be available on our website in the near future.

Also, we are planning to host test sessions once a month from March to September. A schedule will be available soon. Watch [www.northernice.org](http://www.northernice.org) for details or hopefully a schedule can be included with the test form mailing.

We are making an effort to make testing more convenient for the growing number of Northern Ice members.

## **\* Important \***

### **By-laws changes**

The by-laws changes that were proposed in September have passed and have been incorporated into our current by-laws. However, we have one more by-laws change that needs your approval.

Arctic Ice Arena in Orland Park has invited us to be the home rink in their facility. We will have an office, a dedicated bulletin board, some storage space and a mailbox at Arctic Ice Arena. These are things the club has been sorely lacking and will make the conduct of business much easier. Northern Ice has a number of files and supplies that are currently stored in the board members' homes. This would provide us with a central location for the club's resources.

This would not change anything in regards to our business at the Darien Sportsplex, which is currently our home rink. It will also not change our relationship with the other rinks we have been working with. In fact, we have decided to work with a liaison at Rocket Ice Arena, Seven Bridges, Oak Lawn and Fox Valley to make sure that our members at these rinks are up to date on the club's happenings. We will be making an effort to host events at each of these rinks in the upcoming season.

This will be a positive step in the development of Northern Ice and we ask once again that you all send in your ballots as we need 2/3 majority to ratify this change. A voting slip is included with this newsletter. Please return ballot to:

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11729 Kristoffer Ct  
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If you have any questions, feel free to call me (Lynn Balaskas) at (708) 349-9854 or any board member for more information.