2014-2015 SEASON NEWSLETTER

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

This year the team continues to be part of the Independent Women’s Club Hockey League (IWCHL). We are getting better with the faster pace and more physical games compared to last season. Due to our excellent coaching and the commitment of many of our players, we continued to improve throughout the season and finally made it into the league playoffs! This season featured huge improvements in our abilities to break the puck out of our zone, to backcheck fast, to be more physical and to fight back strong against more experienced teams. In playoffs, we edged Boston College with a 3-2 victory and did our best against Boston University with a 1-5 loss. The superb end of year play brings our overall record to a respectable 14-4-2.

In addition to the league games, we played many games against local club teams and trained our beginner and intermediate players to compete at the next level!

As with all of our alums, feel free to drop by our practices when you are in town, and if you stay in the area, come back to play on the team.

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**CONTACT:** Please visit our updated website at [http://web.mit.edu/club-hockey/www/](http://web.mit.edu/club-hockey/www/) for more news and information about our team. We’d love any historical info (roster, results, stories, pictures, etc.) you may want to share! Email club-hockey-website@mit.edu to share.
THANKS

A Note from Our Beloved Coaches:

“Greetings and Salutations
This season was an unbelievable year, we achieved more than anybody thought possible. Use what we learned this season and transfer it to your life. Commitment, teamwork and perseverance will carry you through anything in life.

To those who are moving on, thank you! It's been a pleasure coaching you. For those who are staying, see you next year! ”

--Reggie, Jon and Marcel

We would love to thank our coaches for pushing us and inspiring us to compete at such a high level this year. Thank you also to our captains – Maddy Aby ('15), Jane Chui (G), Lana Cohen (G) and Greta Lattanzi-Silveus ('16) – for all their grunt work and leadership on and off the ice. They could not have done it without the lovely assistance of Nic Rinaldi (Alum Chair), Leah Schmidt (Equipment Manager), Greta Lattanzi-Silveus (Fundraising Chairs), Alwina Liu (Treasurer), Shakti Davis and Nancy Hungtingford (Schedulers), Kiley Clapper and Cristi DeGenova (Social Chairs), Becky Romatoski (Webmaster), Alicia Volpicelli (stats), and Ryker Reed (scorekeeper).

We also appreciate the generous donations that we receive each year. These funds make it possible for us to have a stellar coaching staff and to outfit beginners as they try out the great sport of hockey. We also want to thank our dedicated fans, who showed their support at home and away; keep a look out for fan appreciation night next year and join our fan email list! Finally, thank you to MIT Club Sports, DAPER, and the ice crew, especially Rick.

DONATE: We rely on donations from alumni, friends, and family to maintain the quality of our program. Any amount helps keep us going on the ice. Or get your own MIT Hockey t-shirt to support the team too. Donating and ordering are at: web.mit.edu/club-hockey/www/donate.shtml

PLAYER NEWS:

Congratulations to Cristi and Kevin, who are expecting their second child this year!

Congratulations to Sarah Zhang and her husband for welcoming their baby into the world!

Michelle Bonugli '88, Cynara Wu, Jill Depto, Mary Krasovec, Sandy Dobbins (Linde), and AJ Faust (in net) are all playing in the women's 40 and over tier 1 USA Hockey Nationals in Tampa, FL again this April. Last year Michelle Bonugli, Mary Krasovec, Esther Jesurum, Sandy Dobbins (Linde) and AJ Faust (in net) played and won. Two years ago Michelle Bonugli and Mary Krasovec played and won. Esther and Cynara were in the tier 2 division and their team also won! So this is their third year heading down to play!

Want more hockey?

Michelle’s team plays each year at the USA Hockey Adult Nationals. If any women 40 and over want to join, let Michelle know. She is also interested in putting together a 40 and over tier 2 and 50 and over team for next year’s nationals, which is always held in April in Tampa, Florida.

OFF THE ICE:

Team Social at Nancy’s House
We played an epic game of Pictionary!

ALUMNAE NEWS

We heard from a few alumnae about their life. They can’t attend the alumni game, so they are saying hello through email!

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Michele Verticchio
BS Course 10, 2002; MS Course 10, 2004
Club team 2002-2003

“Ice hockey was one of my best experiences at MIT, and still my favorite sport to play! I work in the oil & gas industry and worked in the field on rigs from 2005-2014. During that time, I played very little hockey. Last year, I moved into an office position in Houston, and I started playing on a coed novice rec league. I’m so happy to be playing again! I don’t care that our games sometimes end at midnight and I need to be at work at 06:00!! :) I wish I could join you all at the alumnae game, I hope you have a great get together!”

(Michele also recently qualified for Boston marathon and she hopes to run in 2016!)

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Valerie Gassend
BS course 3, 2007
Club team from 2002 to 2007

“Since leaving MIT I have lived in the SF bay area. I work for an MIT startup making production machines for OLED displays. I play hockey in a local coed league but missed 3 seasons for 3 very good reasons: Jonathan (now 6 years-old), Sophie (4) and Martin (just turned 1). I enjoy keeping up with my former teammates through Facebook as well as reading Reggie’s words of wisdom!”

GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK!

We’ll miss you, girls! Good luck with your next adventures.

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Madeline Aby
Defense
MIT Club 2012-2015
From: Lake Forest, IL

Maddy will be graduating with an SB and an MEng in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science this year and leaving the team to work for Amazon in Seattle. She started out as a beginner with the team since she always wanted to play hockey growing up but her mom wouldn’t let her. So as soon as she left home, she started playing! She told us “The team has been a great place to improve my skills. Besides playing hockey I also like snowboarding and kitesurfing. I plan to continue playing hockey in Seattle.”

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Andrea Dubin
Goalie/Forward
MIT Club 2011-2015
From: Farmington Hills, MI

Andrea will be commissioning into the Army as a second Lieutenant in June. She will go into the active duty army in the Cyber corps, and her first assignment is cyber training at Fort Gordon!

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Alwina Liu
Forward
MIT Club 2011-2015
From: Hoffman Estates, IL

ALUMNAE CONNECTION: There is a whole section on the website dedicated to keeping alumnae connected to the team including details about an alum email list, a fan email list, alum roster (help us fill it out!), social media, and of course the annual alumnae day at the rink!
Alwina will be graduating with a major in physics and a minor in music. She has played on the team for all four of her undergrad years. She will be working for McMaster-Carr in Elmhurst, IL next year. After that she be completing her PhD in physics with an intended research focus in experimental particle physics.

NEW AND RETURNED PLAYERS
Welcome to the team!!

Aliza Abraham  
Defense  
Course 2 Graduate Student  
From: Glencoe, IL  
Previous team: Northwestern University Club Team

Kathie Andrusin  
Center  
MIT Staff  
From: North Andover, MA

Michelle Bonugli  
Center  
Course 2 Alum  
From: Burlington, MA  
Previous team: MIT Club 1985-1989, 1999-2008,

Sherry Chu  
Goalie  
Course 8 Graduate Student  
From: Ottawa, Canada

Natalie Gyenes  
Graduate Student

Fatima Aysha Hussain  
Wing  
Course 1 Graduate Student  
From: Frederick, MD

Kirby Ledvina  
Wing  
Course 14/15 Sophomore  
From: Houston, TX

Jen Putney  
Wing  
MIT Spouse  
From: Boston, MA  
South Shore Women’s League

Camille Stubbe  
Defense  
Freshman!  
From: Newton, MA

Myrte Bos  
Wing  
Whitehead Institute

Chieh Jessie Chu  
Wing  
MIT Spouse

Ameerah Schmidt  
CSAIL Staff  
Course 6  
From: Boston, MA