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Stockton Ice Hockey Team Calls Toms River Rink Home

(Toms River, NJ) Winding River Skating Center (WRSC) just got a new tenant. Starting this year, the Stockton University Ice Hockey team will play all home games at the Township's Ice Rink.

Toms River Township Hockey Director Dean Marusic says the addition of a college team further enhances the youth hockey program.

"It's a great opportunity for local hockey players' to remain local after high school, attend a great university like Stockton, and help attract even more kids into our hockey programs," Marusic said. "It gives them the chance to learn, stay active and enjoy the great sport of hockey right here at the Jersey Shore," he added.

The Stockton Ospreys compete in the American Collegiate Hockey Association and the Delaware Valley Collegiate Hockey Conference.

Stockton Ice Hockey Head Coach Bob Gialanella says the school is very excited about the new partnership with the Township of Toms River.

"Our partnership has provided Stockton University excellent ice and team facilities while offering a central location for recruiting student-athletes, many locally from the Shore Conference," he said. We hope our move to WRSC will help influence local talent to become the next generation of Osprey players.

The next home game is November 5th at 2pm against Southern Connecticut State University.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and kids under 12 years old.

"Hopefully these student-athletes consider Stockton University's outstanding academic reputation to pursue their career goals, and also to compete as a college player," Gialanella said. "Family and friends could continue to watch and support right from WRSC; basically being close to 'home.' It's very ideal."