



**LIGHTNING PROSPECTS TO COMPETE
AT TRAVERSE CITY ROOKIE TOURNAMENT FOR 6TH CONSECUTIVE YEAR**

TAMPA BAY – The Tampa Bay Lightning are once again one of eight National Hockey League teams participating in a prospect tournament at Center ICE. Arena in Traverse City, Mich., from Sept. 12-17. This is the sixth consecutive year the Lightning have participated in the tournament.

Among the prospects schedule to compete for the Lightning are defenseman Ty Wishart, a 2006 firstround draft choice acquired from San Jose this summer, as well as top Lightning draft choices Dana Tyrell (47th overall, 2007), James Wright (117th overall, 2008), Mitch Fadden (107th overall, 2007) and Luca Cunti (75th overall, 2007). Tampa Bay's prospects will compete against prospects from the Atlanta Thrashers, Columbus Blue Jackets, Dallas Stars, Detroit Red Wings, Minnesota Wild, New York Rangers and St. Louis Blues. Head coach Darren Rumble and assistant coach Alan May of the AHL's Norfolk Admirals will coach the Lightning prospects.

Practice sessions and tournament games will be held on the facility's two sheets of ice– David's Rink and Citizens Rink – located at 1544 Hammond Road in Traverse City. The Lightning will play in the Eastern Conference along with Atlanta, Detroit and the NY Rangers. The Western Conference will consist of Columbus, Dallas, Minnesota and St. Louis.

At the conclusion of the tournament, select players will join the Lightning training camp, which begins with physicals and testing Sept. 16 at the St. Pete Times Forum. Scrimmages and practices begin on Sept. 17, and are open to the public.

Following is the Lightning's day-to-day schedule in Traverse City:

Fri. Sept. 12	Practice	7:45 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 13	Practice Tampa Bay Lightning vs. Atlanta Thrashers	8:30 a.m. 3 p.m.
Sun. Sept. 14	Practice Tampa Bay Lightning vs. Detroit Red Wings	11:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
Mon. Sept. 15	Practice	Noon
Tues. Sept. 16	Practice Tampa Bay Lightning vs. NY Rangers	9:30 a.m. 3 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 17	Practice 7 th -Place Game 5 th -place Game 3 rd -place Game Championship Game	TBD 2 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 6 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

Lightning Prospects at 2008 Traverse City Prospect Camp

FORWARDS

#	Name	HT	WT	DOB	Born	Acquired	2006-07 Club
63	AQUINO, Luciano	5-10	200	1/26/85	Mississauga, Ontario	Invitee	Ft. Wayne (IHL)
72	BLOODOFF, Lucas	6-1	207	5/5/89	Castlegar, B.C.	Invitee	Kelowna (WHL)
46	BORTIS, Kyle	5-10	179	8/28/88	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	Invitee	Calgary (WHL)
64	CUNTI, Luca	6-0	190	7/4/89	Zurich, Switzerland	'07 Draft (3rd Rd)	Chicago (USHL)
65	DE COSTE, Kyle	6-1	178	6/30/90	London, Ontario	'08 Draft (5th Rd)	Brampton (OHL)
62	FADDEN, Mitch	5-11	175	4/3/88	Victoria, B.C.	'07 Draft (4th Rd)	Lethbridge (WHL)
48	LAWRENCE, Chris	6-4	212	2/5/87	Toronto, Ontario	'05 Draft (3rd Rd)	Norfolk (AHL)
70	LEAVOLD, Brady	5-10	194	8/27/87	Port Coquitlam, B.C.	Norfolk (AHL)	Kelowna (WHL)
67	PARNHAM, Brett	5-9	178	1/30/89	Orillia, Ontario	Invitee	Oshawa (OHL)
47	REDDICK, Kruise	5-8	167	7/6/90	Manor, Saskatchewan	Invitee	Tri-Cities (WHL)
45	SOINTU, Matias	5-10	154	2/10/90	Tampere, Finland	'08 Draft (7th Rd)	Ilves (Finland)
61	TYRELL, Dana	5-11	180	4/23/89	Airdrie, Alberta	'07 Draft (2nd Rd)	Prince George (WHL)/ Norfolk (AHL)
43	WRIGHT, James	6-3	180	3/24/90	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	'08 Draft (4th Rd)	Vancouver (WHL)

DEFENSEMEN

#	Name	HT	WT	DOB	Born	Acquired	2006-07 Club
60	BARBERIO, Mark	6-0	201	3/23/90	Montreal, Quebec	'08 Draft (6th Rd)	Moncton (QMJHL)
57	BOYLE, Daryl	6-1	193	2/24/87	Lethbridge, Alberta	Norfolk (AHL)	Brandon (WHL)/Norfolk (AHL)
58	JACKSON, Scott	6-4	213	2/5/87	Salmon Arm, B.C.	Norfolk (AHL)	Seattle (WHL)
73	MAY, Jeff	6-2	196	4/4/87	Richmond, B.C.	Invitee	Prince Albert (WHL)/Lethbridge (WHL)
51	QUICK, Kevin	6-0	175	3/29/88	Buffalo, N.Y.	'06 Draft (3rd Rd)	Michigan (CCHA)/Norfolk (AHL)
59	WARD, Michael	6-3	196	8/13/89	Shippagan, N.B.	'07 Draft (7th Rd)	Lewiston (QMJHL)
3	WISHART, Ty	6-5	203	5/19/88	Comox, B.C.	Trade w/SJ	Moose Jaw (WHL)/Worcester (AHL)

GOALTENDERS

#	Name	HT	WT	DOB	Born	Acquired	2006-07 Club
1	JUNG, Torrie	6-1	182	1/21/89	Nanaimo, B.C.	'07 Draft (7th Rd)	Kelowna (WHL)
40	TOKARSKI, Dustin	5-11	185	9/16/89	Humboldt, Saskatchewan	'08 Draft (5th Rd)	Spokane (WHL)

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