

A BEAUTIFUL CONVENTION



IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

AUGUST 8-10, 2025

NHLBCC

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August 8 – 10, 2025

Convention Package

The Pittsburgh Penguins Booster Club is excited to have the opportunity to invite you to visit our neighborhood for the 53rd NHLBC Convention.

Your registration fee includes your hotel for Friday and Saturday nights, dinner Friday and Saturday nights and breakfast Saturday and Sunday mornings, attendance to the annual meeting on Saturday morning and use of the hospitality room during posted hours.

Pre-convention activities include transportation, admission fees, meals (where noted) and driver gratuities. All trips will be filled by reservation on a first-come, first-served basis. We can not guarantee refunds on pre-convention trips unless we can find a replacement to fill the spot. If not, any refund would be based on what is recoverable from the places we visit, but the cost of the bus will be passed onto the person who did not attend the trip. All trips will leave at the posted times, and if you miss the bus, you will be responsible for getting back on your own. If there is an increase because of fuel costs, we reserve the right to charge an additional amount to cover those costs.

You must wear your wrist band to gain access to the hospitality room and all other NHLBCC functions.

Updated information concerning the 2025 Convention will be available on the NHLBCC website (www.nhlbc.org) and the Pittsburgh Penguins NHLBCC2025 Facebook page.

CONVENTION CONTACTS

Any questions concerning the convention can be emailed to:

Melinda Harty - msh691@aol.com or 412-215-1054

Ruth Welsh – rawelsh@yahoo.com

Tony Welsh – ajwelsh@yahoo.com or 412-855-7563

HOTEL

Our home for the convention will be:

DOUBLETREE by HILTON HOTEL PITTSBURGH – GREENTREE
500 Mansfield Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15205
412-922-8400

Newly renovated rooms and banquet areas. The hotel is located 3 miles from downtown Pittsburgh. It is easily accessible from all major interstates and the PA turnpike. The hotel is 12 miles from the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport. Uber and Lyft are available as modes of transportation to the hotel. Should you need assistance in getting from the airport to the hotel, please note that on your registration form. For those driving, the Doubletree offers free parking with a capacity of over 500 vehicles.

The DoubleTree has an indoor, outdoor pool, fitness center, on-site dining, WiFi and is fully handicapped accessible.

WEEKEND CONVENTION RATES

\$ 580.00 – Single
\$ 420.00 – Double
\$ 380.00 – Triple
\$ 360.00 – Quad

Extra nights are available at 125.00 + tax = \$142.50. These rates are good beginning Sunday, August 3, through Thursday, August 8 as well as Sunday, August 10.

The following link can be used to make your early arrival room reservations.

The 53rd Nat'l Hockey League Booster Club: <https://group.doubletree.com/u5eybe>

CHILDREN AT CONVENTION

Children are welcomed at the convention. Those 16 and under stay free in the room with their parents. A cost of \$150 will be charged for each child for all the meals – Friday and Saturday dinners and Saturday and Sunday breakfasts. They will be allowed in the banquet room for meals and to hear any speakers, but when the music and dancing begins, they are to leave the room. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children. If the child becomes a distraction, they will be asked to leave.

No person under the age of 21 will be permitted in any hospitality room when alcohol is being served.

WAVIER

Each adult attendee must sign a waiver form assuming responsibility for your actions. A parent or guardian must sign a waiver for any child in attendance.

PAYMENTS

There are two methods of payment either via check made payable to: **NHLBCC2025**

Or you can Zelle to: rawelsh@yahoo.com

Payment Schedule

January 15, 2025 - \$125 deposit

March 15, 2025 - \$125 + Pre-convention activities

June 1, 2025 – Final Balance

Mail checks, registration form, pre-convention activities form and waiver form to:

Ruth Welsh
213 Thornwood Ct
Moon Township, PA 15108

All these forms can be emailed to: NHLBCC2025pgh@gmail.com

REFUNDS

All requests for refunds will be determined by what costs are recoverable from the hotel and the events. Every effort will be made to try to get a refund, but there is no guarantee.

ADS FOR CONVENTION PROGRAM

\$100.00 – Full page \$50.00 – Half page \$25.00 – ¼ page \$10.00 – Business Card

If you or your club would like to place an ad in the Convention program, please send the information to:

Donna Charley; P.O. Box 142; Greensburg, PA 15601

Checks should be made payable to: **NHLBCC2025**

PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

Listed below are our pre-convention activities. We invite all attendees to enjoy the many adventures that we have planned around our neighborhood.

(Gasoline prices for the buses have dramatically increased, unfortunately this is reflected in the price of the trips.)

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

Flight 93 Memorial & Quecreek Mine Rescue Site

8:00 am – 5:30 pm

Cost: \$ 155.00

Join us as we visit the site of the 9/11/01 crash of Flight 93 in Shanksville, PA. We will also visit the Flight 93 Memorial Chapel, a 100-year-old former church, refurbished as the first national memorial to the heroes of Flight 93.

Following lunch at the Coal Miner's Diner, we will visit the Quecreek Mine rescue site. Nine miners were rescued here in July 2002 after being trapped underground for 78 hours. There is a stop at the Moo Echo Dairy for a small ice cream cone before heading back.

Pricing includes transportation, lunch, ice cream cone, guide at the Quecreek site and bus driver's gratuity.

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Bowling, Axe Throwing

Paradise Entertainment Center

11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$65.00

Join us in an afternoon of fun with transportation, bowling, pizza, and soft drinks included in this price. The Center also offers a bar and axe throwing with these costs covered on your own.

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Pub Crawl

Pittsburgh North Shore

5:00 pm – TBD

Cost \$ 50.00

Enjoy an evening on the North Shore, close to the Rivers Casino, PNC Park, and Acrisure Stadium. There is the Wheelhouse restaurant at the Casino, Burgatory, Bar Louie, Southern Tier Brewery, Jason Aldean's Kitchen and Bar, Mc Fadden's, Voodoo Brewing Company, Tequila Cowboy and Shorty's Pins and Pints to name a few of the establishments in the area. Pricing includes transportation. At this time, we are exploring whether there will be an early bus and a late bus or only one bus to return to the hotel.

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Heinz History Center

9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Cost \$ 105.00

Explore the history and culture of Western Pennsylvania. This is Pittsburgh's people museum, sharing the inspiring stories of Western Pennsylvania's people who have helped change the course of American history. There is also the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, inside the Heinz History Center celebrating Pittsburgh sports. Lunch will follow at Primanti's restaurant – a chance for you to try the famous Primanti's sandwiches with fries and cole slaw. Pricing includes transportation, admission to the center, lunch, gratuities, and taxes.

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Baseball Game

Pirates vs Cincinnati

5:30 pm – Game end

Cost: \$ 90.00

Come see a game in "one of the best ball parks to watch a game" – Forbes magazine. The stadium sits along the banks of the Allegheny River and offers a dramatic view of Pittsburgh's downtown skyline. Ticket pricing was not available at this time, but this is a good estimate for seats along the 1st base – right field area. Pricing includes transportation and game ticket. (You will need to load the MLB app to your phone for your game ticket).

Friday, August 8, 2025
Gateway Clipper Sight Seeing Cruise
Station Square
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Cost \$105.00

The only way to see the city and learn about its past, present, and future. The cruise will begin on the Monongahela River and continues onto both the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers. The captain and narrator will relay interesting facts, tales, and river lore during the tour. There is snack bar and a full-service bar. No cash accepted on board – credit/debit cards, Apple and Google Pay. There will be time after the cruise to explore Station Square, maybe get a bite to eat at Homerun Harry's, Terrene, or the Gandy Dancer Saloon. Pricing includes transportation and cruise. Lunch is on your own.

Friday, August 8, 2025
53rd NHLBCC Buffet Dinner
Cocktails / Cash Bar 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

A buffet dinner featuring the famous Pittsburgh cookie table for dessert. Dancing following dinner. The theme for Friday evening is "Hometown". Wear something that indicates your hometown, whether it is a shirt or something that your hometown is known for.

Saturday, August 9, 2025
Buffet Breakfast & General Meeting
7:00 am – 9:00 am

A buffet breakfast, followed immediately by our annual meeting. One representative from each club will speak as to what their club has been involved in over the past year.

The Delegates meeting will begin about 30 minutes following the General meeting. The delegates will take care of NHLBC business, review the committee reports and discuss the 2026 convention.

Saturday, August 9, 2025
Seated Dinner
Cocktails / Cash Bar 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

Choice of Chicken Picatta, Marinated Flank Steak or a Vegetarian choice of Quinoa stuffed bell peppers. Dress for dinner is hockey jerseys, any type – Military, HFC, St. Patrick's Day, Pride. This is the great sport that has brought us all together, so let's celebrate by showing how we all get along! Dancing will follow dinner.

Survivor's Night

For those wishing to deprive themselves of sleep, we will set this up in the hospitality room

Sunday, August 10, 2025
Buffet Breakfast
7:30 am – 9:30 am

This will draw the convention in our Neighborhood to an official close. We hope that you will have enjoyed your stay!

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Times for the Hospitality room for the week will be posted at Registration.

Any change of time for any trip or event will be posted at Registration.

The hotel does not offer shuttle service. Uber and Lyft is available. Should you require special assistance at the airport, please let us know and we will arrange to pick you up.

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE 2025 NHLBCC
We have certainly enjoyed planning this event for everyone!

Pittsburgh Penguins Booster Club

LIABILITY WAIVER

53rd ANNUAL NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE BOOSTER CLUB CONVENTION

GREENTREE DOUBLE TREE HOTEL – PITTSBURGH, PA

Each Registrant over the age of 18 must complete this form for attendance.

I, _____ hereby accept all responsibility for my actions and the actions of others within my control. I also accept responsibility for my actions and the actions of others within my control arising out of any act or failure to act as a direct and proximate cause of my consumption of alcoholic beverages provided by the Pittsburgh Penguins Booster Club or any other National Hockey League Booster Club participating in this Convention, as well as any employee of the Doubletree Hotel or any pre-convention activity host. I hereby absolve and hold harmless any social host who may provide alcohol to me or others under my control, and I accept full and complete responsibility for my actions and their results occasioned by my voluntary consumption of alcoholic beverages.

I am the parent or guardian for the following minor(s) attending NHLBCC 2025:

I accept responsibility for the actions and behavior of the above minor(s).

I understand the legal drinking age in the State of Pennsylvania is 21 years of age.

Registrant's Signature _____

Witness _____

Date _____

2025 NHLBCC REGISTRATION FORM

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY EACH ATTENDEE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City; State; Zip: _____

Home Phone:(____) _____ Cell Phone:(____) _____

Email: _____ Gender: _____

Name for ID Badge: _____ Booster Club: _____

Number of Previous Conventions: _____ Age on 8/1/2025: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (THIS IS SOMEONE NOT ATTENDING CONVENTION)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Arrival Information

Hotel Arrival Date: _____ Hotel Departure Date: _____

Method of arrival: _____ (Flight Info)

Do you need help at the airport ___ Yes ___ No

Room Type

All payments in US funds ___ Single \$580 ___ Double \$420 ___ Triple \$380 ___ Quad \$360

Payment will be made by: ___ Check ___ Zelle ___ Money Order

Checks payable to: NHLBCC2025 Zelle to: rawelsh@yahoo.com

Do you need a roommate? ___ Yes ___ No

Do you need a handicapped room? ___ Yes ___ No (There are a limited number)

Room Mate Information

Name: _____ Club: _____

Name: _____ Club: _____

Name: _____ Club: _____

Additional Information

Dinner Choice Saturday night: ___ Chicken Picatta ___ Marinated Flank Steak ___ Quinoa stuffed peppers

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Program Information

___ Include all ___ Omit Address ___ Omit phone ___ Omit Cell ___ Omit email address

2025 PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES REGISTRATION FORM

Attendee Name

Booster Club

DATE	Event	Cost	Amount Due
Tuesday, August 5 th	Flight 93 & Quecreek Mine	\$155.00	<hr/>
Wednesday, August 6 th	Bowling / Axe Throwing	\$ 65.00	<hr/>
	Pub Crawl	\$ 50.00	<hr/>
Thursday, August 7 th	Heinz History Center	\$ 105.00	<hr/>
	Baseball Game	\$ 90.00	<hr/>
Friday, August 8 th	Gateway Clipper Riverboat tour	\$ 105.00	<hr/>
Total Due			<hr/>

(Keep in mind, these trips got the most response on our survey, there are many things to do in and around Pittsburgh, let us know if you wish to visit other attractions, we can either arrange for you to get there or give you directions.)