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Individual tickets for all Lehigh Valley Steelhawks 2014 home games are now on sale! You can now purchase tickets for any Steelhawks home game.

Tickets are available through:

- ◆ Steelhawks website, lvsteelhawks.com
- ◆ Stabler Arena Box Office (124 Goodman Drive, Bethlehem, PA)
 - 610-758-6611
 - StablerArena.com

The first of six Steelhawks 2014 home games will be on Sunday, April 6th at 4pm against the visiting Trenton Freedom. After the home opener, the Steelhawks will have four home games in a row, starting April 26th. All home games are Saturday night kickoffs



at 7pm except for the home opener and another Sunday afternoon game on Mother's Day, May 6th vs. the defending PIFL champion, Alabama Hammers.

The Steelhawks have some exciting plans for each of the home games. Many of them will have special giveaways including: 2014 schedule t-shirts at the home opener presented by KALCO Resources and Power House Sports (April 6th), drawstring bags for Friends and Family Night presented by ESSA Bank & Trust (April 26th), and pink rally towels for the Health Awareness program presented by St. Luke's University Health Network (May 11th).

The Lehigh Valley Steelhawks full 2014 schedule is as follows:

Week 1 - 3/22 BYE

Week 2 - 3/29 BYE

Week 3 - Sun. 4/6 Lehigh Valley vs. Trenton Freedom 4:00pm

Week 4 - Fri. 4/11 Lehigh Valley @ Harrisburg Stampedo 7:30pm

Week 5 - 4/19 BYE

Week 6 - Sat. 4/26 Lehigh Valley vs. Trenton Freedom 7:00pm



Week 7 - Sat. 5/3 Lehigh Valley vs. Harrisburg Stampedo 7:00pm

Week 8 - Sun. 5/11 Lehigh Valley vs. Alabama Hammers 4:00pm

Week 9 - Sat. 5/17 Lehigh Valley vs. Nashville Venom 7:00pm

Week 10 - Sat. 5/24 Lehigh Valley @ Trenton Freedom 7:00pm

Week 11 - Sat. 5/31 Lehigh Valley @ Columbus Lions 7:00pm

Week 12 - Fri. 6/6 Lehigh Valley @ Richmond Raiders 7:00pm

Week 13 - Sat. 6/14 Lehigh Valley @ Albany Panthers 7:00pm

Week 14 - Sat. 6/21 Lehigh Valley @ Harrisburg Stampedo 7:00pm

Week 15 - Sat. 6/28 Lehigh Valley vs. Richmond Raiders 7:00pm

We hope to see you at the Steelhawks' home games this season!

Life in the Lehigh Valley: DL Brandon Sutton

One of the players everyone can't wait to see on the field this year is DL Brandon Sutton. Sutton was in Richmond last year where in nine games played he racked up nine sacks and 33 total tackles. His sack total was good enough to place him fourth in the league and he was named to the All-PIFL's First Team.

In preparation for the upcoming season, Sutton has already moved into the teams hotel, Best Western Plus Allentown Inn and Suites by Dorney Park. He has been

I have never seen snow, ice or even hail drops before like this. I'm definitely out of my comfort zone but I'm adjusting very well. Really makes me miss home though, North Carolina almost had me right back haha. With this weather like this overall has really just made me humble and keeps me out of trouble. In conclusion, I definitely want to send a BIG I LOVE YOU to my daughter Taki'yah Marie Sutton in Kinston, NC, daddy loves and misses you and will see you soon!" Brandon Sutton on being in the Valley with the snow.

working in the Valley, attending team events, and truly becoming a member of the Steelhawks family.

In just the three weeks he's been

here, Sutton is finding the Valley to be a good match. "I love living in Lehigh Valley so far. Nice size city and surrounding towns, very nice and mature people. Great eating places, which is always a plus because I love to eat. Roosevelt's 21st and Yianni's Taverna



Valley proved to hold the edge in professionalism as an organization. "The biggest difference between the Steelhawks this year and Richmond last year is the professionalism. As a professional athlete working there way from the bottom to the top you expect results, by this I mean moving on to the next level, which is Arena Football League, Canadian Football League and then the big stage National Football League. Richmond was a great team led by a great coach but Lehigh is a great team led by an organization. Lehigh Valley has put many players in the AFL, CFL and NFL within the last three years. And that's what I need to happen in my career before the towel gets thrown in on me. Not to mention every appearance I have been to I have been there with my teammates, my coaches, general manager and the supporting Steelhawk family, which is very rare to

was outstanding to me but honestly my favorite place is Sands Casino."

When asked about how the Steelhawks compares to the Raiders, Lehigh

see everybody together at each event on a consistent base. I found a new home and the Steelhawk family has accepted me as there own!"

The support Sutton has gotten off the field should continue on the field. He's playing with former teammates as well as new friends. "I'm most excited about playing beside men who take this game as serious as I do, not just playing to wear the jersey. I'm excited to be playing beside my old teammate from Richmond two seasons ago, Michael "The Freak" Woodhouse and playing with Adam Bednarik, who has taken me under his wings since I have been here. But most importantly I'm most excited about bringing a ring and championship home to The Lehigh Valley Steelhawks organization and fans!" The camaraderie and shared goal of bringing a championship to the Valley is a great building block to start the season.

We are all excited to have Sutton in the Valley for this season, but QB Adam Bednarik might be the most excited, after being sacked by him a few times last season, "I'm just excited he's on my team this year!"



2nd Annual Partnership Appreciation Mixer

It has become a tradition, each year for the Lehigh Valley Steelhawks organization to hold a Partnership Appreciation Mixer to thank all the

"What an awesome event! If you weren't there, you missed it. Better luck next time. The Steelhawks know how to throw a party. Mega kudos to the entire Steelhawks staff for an awesome night of food, fun, and fellowship. With the addition of some stellar new players and an all-star cast of returning players, this team is going to be awesome! If you don't have tickets yet, you need to get some!" Garrett Rhoads, IDC America Energy

businesses that have joined the Steelhawks family for the upcoming season.

This year's mixer was hosted once again by Vision Bar/Sands

Event Center. The evening featured great food and drink specials provided by Sands, an 8 foot tall floral center piece created by Ruby's Floral, and amazing balloon decorations done by Mimi's Balloons.

There was a great turnout at the event, an estimated crowd of 200 or more came out to show their support of the Steelhawks family. Those in attendance had an opportunity to win a variety of door prizes including: Steelhawks merchandise, and a one-of-a-kind Steelhawks winter jacket; all provided by Corporate Images, the Steel-

hawks Official Team Apparel and Merchandise Provider.



The entire Steelhawks organization would like to thank everyone for coming out and for their continued support of the Steelhawks. Without you we wouldn't be able to put a team together each year.

Featured Events:

Song Release Party, Feat. Young Chizz (March 12th, 5-8pm)

Brand new this year, the Lehigh Valley Steelhawks will have an official song! Created by Young Chizz, it will be released March 12th at the Steelhawks Song Release Party hosted by Revolutions (Rte. 378 Bethlehem, near Starters Pub). The night will feature live music and giveaways.

Yong Chizz is “a recording artist through independent recording label T.O.N.Y Music Group. “With his debut concert behind him and an upcoming tour highlighting his current radio campaign, Young Chizz has no intentions of slowing down any time soon. Backed by rotations on MTV, radio airplay in various markets, hundreds of views on VEVO and thousands of views on Meckanism TV, this extremely talented artist

humbles himself as he continues to break through every media outlet available. A force to be reckoned with, Young Chizz has made it evident that even the smallest amount of resources means absolutely nothing when you can boast true talent.”

Everyone is excited to hear the new song and the Steelhawks are excited to work with this talented artist for years to come! The party is open to the public, so come out and join the Steelhawks for the song’s unveiling!



Season Ticket Pick Up Party (March 19th, 5-7pm)

Roosevelt’s 21st in Bethlehem will again be hosting the Steelhawks annual Season Ticket Pick Up Party, Wednesday, March 19th, 5:00-7:00pm.

All 2014 season ticket holders are invited to come pick up their tickets in Bethlehem that night. Any tickets not picked up will be mailed to the ticket holder.

The night will also be a meet and greet with the Steelhawks currently in camp as well as coaches, front office staff, and Precious Metal dancers.

There will be appetizers and drink specials available.

Roosevelt’s 21st - Bethlehem is located at 21 E. Elizabeth Ave. They are the Official Post-Game Party Spot of the Steelhawks. After every Steelhawks home game, join the Steelhawks for a great night out!



Lehigh Valley Steelhawks Training Camp Roster as of 2/7/2014

K Michael Barnard—FDU (6'1, 218)	DB Chris Johnson—Villanova (6'1, 210)	OL Joseph Pearson—Guilford (6'2, 300)
QB Adam Bednarik—West Virginia (6'2, 225)	DB Leavander Jones—James Mad (5'11, 180)	WR Scott Pillar—Albright (6'1, 190)
WR Daniel Borne—UAB (5'10, 205)	FB Mike Jones—SE Missouri St. (6'1, 250)	WR Brandon Renford—Nassau C.C. (5'9, 175)
FB Jared Bradley—Delaware (6', 230)	WR Jesse Julmiste—UMass (5'9, 175)	WR Rashad Rich—Bacone (6'1, 210)
LB Arlando Brown—Utah St. (6'3, 240)	DB Justin Laguna—Kean (5'10, 200)	DB Matt Scott—Del St. (5'11, 193)
LB Jonas Celian—WV Wesleyan (6', 225)	OL John Lavelle—Delaware Valley (6'2, 295)	DL Brandon Suttom—Catawba (6'3, 290)
LB Cory Darby—Kutztown (6'4, 225)	OL Matt Lippincott—Lehigh (6'3, 300)	LB Zak Tupper—East Stroudsburg (6'1, 250)
DB Devin Duggan—Duquesne (5'11, 212)	WR Richie Martin—C. Conn St. (6'1, 200)	OL J.B. Walton—WV Wesleyan (6'3, 307)
DB Stanley Dunbar—Rhode Island (5'10, 200)	OL Kyle McCarthy—W. Conn (6'4, 330)	DL Justin Wells—UAB (6'3, 300)
WR Eric Foxworth—Wagner (5'9, 200)	QB Shane McSweeney—Wesley (6'2, 218)	FB Rich White—Southern Illinois (5'9, 215)
OL William Hall—St. Francis (6'5, 380)	OL Rashaud Mungro—E. Kentucky (6'6, 310)	DB Stefaun Whitehead—Bryant (5'11, 190)
DB Dwayne Hollis—NC Wesleyan (5'10, 180)	DB Terrence Osborne—Del Val (5'9, 170)	WR Cameron Williams—S. Virginia (6'1, 190)
LB Tim Hume—Cheyney (6'2, 265)	WR Troy Pasclay—Louisville (6'2, 210)	DL Michael Woodhouse—Montgomery JC (6'4, 270)

Countdown to Camp: Steelhawks Pre-Season Opens March 13th

The 2014 season is right around the corner. With less than two months until the home opener, everyone is gearing up for the season. Players officially report to the Lehigh Valley for camp on March 13th.

The PIFL allows teams to bring 40 players into camp, but the team must trim those numbers to a final roster of 27 prior to the first game.

The Steelhawks have some veterans returning, but a lot of newcomers as well. All will

be competing for a spot on a team that has a championship in it's sights.

When asked about the upcoming season, Head Coach Chris Thompson said, "This is the most anxious I have ever been for a season to start since I came here in January of 2012. All of the coaches, interns and front office staff have worked extremely hard again this off-season in preparation for the upcoming 2014 season. I am very pleased with our roster to date and on paper we have a great deal of talent and experi-

ence coming into camp at certain positions. However, there are other positions we are uncertain of, especially since we have to replace 8 Steelhawks that have moved up and signed AFL contracts from a season ago. This makes our jobs very difficult, but we as a staff are ready for the challenge. I hope that you are ready to come fly with us this season as we try to build off of what we have accomplished the previous 2 seasons and finally finish our goal of winning our first ever League Championship."



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COME FLY WITH
US!

The Greatest Show on Turf returns to the Lehigh Valley! The Lehigh Valley Steelhawks, founded in 2010 are a professional indoor football team that plays in the Professional Indoor Football League (PIFL). The season runs from February all the way through June.

We hope to see you at the Stabler Arena to cheer on your hometown team this season, as they strive to bring the Champions Cup to the Valley.

Our mission is "To consistently serve our Guests [Ticket Holders], Partners [Sponsors], and our Homes [Teams Cities] at the highest possible level and to do so with integrity, kindness, affordability, and passion on the field, in our front offices, and around the communities in which we play."

Season Ticket Packages NOW ON SALE FOR AS LITTLE AS \$8 per game!!! Call 610-282-3100 to get yours today!