



The Los Angeles Lightning “Ticket Split Program”

The Los Angeles Lightning is proud to announce the “Los Angeles Lightning Ticket Split Program.” Through this program we are partnering with a select group of Community High Schools to host a professional game night featuring several NBA veterans and international players. Each high school will sell tickets for their “Game Night” through their students, faculty and/or booster Club. 50% of the proceeds from the sale of tickets sold by the host school will be donated to the school’s athletic program. In this way, the purchase of a ticket to attend the fundraiser game nights will not only provide an excellent entertainment value for one’s dollar but will benefit their community as well.

The fundraising tickets will be priced at \$15.00 per seat. For additional information please contact Mark@losangeleslightning.net or call him directly at (310) 770-3960.



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L.A. strikes gold in second IBL season

'Six Pack' of former NBA players lead Lightning to title

Just minutes after the Los Angeles Lightning had beaten the Bellingham Slam 132-121 to claim the American Conference title in Monroe, Wash., former NBA star Bryon Russell was asked how it felt to win a title.

"We're not the champs yet, we've got another game to go," said Russell, a former Utah Jazz star who played in three NBA Finals (two with Utah, one with the Lakers). "I just hope we play at home."

Russell got his wish for a home date and the International Basketball League decided to play a best-of-3 series for the first time in its five-year history. The IBL is a high-scoring league that features a 22-second shot clock and one timeout per quarter.

The Lightning beat the Oregon Waves two games to one, capped by a 111-94 triumph on July 28 at Cal Lutheran University that gave them their first IBL title in just their second season. L.A. jumped out to a 22-7 lead and led by 23 early in the fourth quarter.

With six former NBA players on its star-studded roster, the Lightning (18-5) went 4-1 in the playoffs and won eight of its last 10 games.

"It feels good to win the title," said Lamond Murray, a 12-year NBA veteran who averaged 26.3 points in the finals and was named MVP. "They got us on Sunday on the back-to-back (games). We got a day of rest ... you know we're old heads, so a good day of rest is important.

"We never lose our poise, even when we get down a couple of points. We know it's a long game. We've been there and we know we'll outsmart the younger players down the stretch."

There were numerous firsts for the Lightning this season:

-- For the first time, there were six former NBA players on one IBL team -- Murray (Clippers), Vinson (Seattle Sonics), Toby Bailey (Suns), Bryon Russell (Jazz), Darrick Martin (Clippers) and Juaquin Hawkins (Rockets).

-- Bailey recorded the first triple-double in team history with 24 points, 10 rebounds and 15 assists on June 14 in a 160-123 rout of the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Flight.

-- Tony Strickland became the first California State Senator to play for the Lightning, hitting 55.6 percent in 15 appearances.

The Lightning also had a big impact in the community, offering free youth tickets and partnerships with the Agoura Youth Basketball Association; Big Brothers, Big Sisters, the YMCA and local baseball leagues.