

# Origin of the Hermie Team Name



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This team name was very, very obvious to the “2005 Team Naming Committee”. For those who do not know Hermie: Hermie is a character in the 1964 holiday classic “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer”. The story: Something is amiss at the North Pole: Donner’s son Rudolph has a strange mutation. Perhaps the North Pole is a little too close to Chernobyl. Anyway, everyone, even Santa, rejects Rudolph. He’s banned from any participation in the reindeer leisure activities. Rudolph has two friends: a similarly rejected elf (Hermie) with a fetish, and cute female reindeer who sees the real him, behind the nose. Rudolph and Hermie leave the North Pole and have a heart-warming adventure or something like that.

For the past 5 years, Lynn has secretly used the name Hermie. In a drunken stupor one evening, Lynn was comparing his looks to that of Hermie. He was overheard saying “If it works for Rudolph, it will work for me” and “I can play in reindeer games”. In fact, Lynn became so fond of Hermie – he sent out a holiday card two years in a row with Hermie (or was it Lynn?) on the cover.

In a recent survey, 99% of the people polled see a definite resemblance between Hermie and Lynn (it would have been 100% but Lynn would not vote). Rather than using popularity polls, we decided to apply some science and mathematics to determine resemblance. Below is the equation used by the “Team Naming Committee”. You be the judge!!!

