

# Captains Log

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Go Fish Go

#### O & A with Brian Leitza

by Patricia Kelly



How long have you Do you have any pets? been playing hockey?

"For 21 years. brothers Mvolder played."

What is your favorite hockey memory?

"Signing with the Pittsburgh Penguins in the '98-'99 season. I played in

some pre-season games but not in any regular season games."

Why did you decide to come play in Baton Rouge?

"I know Coach Lohrei from Juniors in Sioux City, Iowa. He invited me to come down, so I did."

What do you do when you aren't playing hockey?

"I 'try' to play the guitar, golf, and read on occasion."

How did you spend your summer?

"I taught stick handling to kids from all over the place (the U.S. and Canada) with the Turcotte Stick Handling me School."

How do you keep in shape over the summer?

"I like to bike and jog but no weights. I just do situps and back exercises."

What is your favorite book?

"Into The Wild"

Favorite movie?

"It's a toss up between 'Braveheart', 'Tombstone', or 'Billy Madison'.

Favorite song?

"Scarlet Begonias' by the Grateful Dead."

"A Siberian Husky named Pango and I'm actually about to get another one named Dakota."

Do you have any superstitions?

"Yea, too many. I try to do the same things, I'm not overly bad about it. Here's one for you-before the game, I squirt water into my mouth three times, then spit, then three more sips then squirt it on my face, then my head, then my face and drink again."

Who are your heroes?

"My father, Jerry Garcia, Tony Esposito and anyone

who fought in World

War II or Vietnam."

What would you like to say to the Captain's Club? "Just 'thanks'."

If anyone has any questions they would like asked to any specific player, email goaltenderfan@netscape.net and let me know what it is.



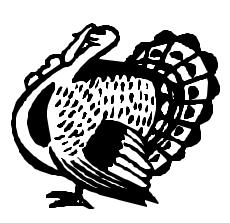
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#### Chad's Corner

The Fifth Fan Fabulous Season of Baton Rouge Kingfish Hockey is fully underway. It was a shaky start, but our first victory Thurs. Oct. 19, over the South Carolina Stingrays, shows that we are ready for this action packed new season. Those first two game losses are far behind us, with a path of victory to come.

The Captains Club has also had a very busy beginning season, but all the hard work from the members is paying off, and starting to show. The Hospitality Committee did a great job getting the apartment supplies and welcome baskets to the players, and I know that each player is thankful and very appreciative for them. The Meet the Team Party was a success, and I know that every one that attended had a great time. Thanks to the Activities



Committee for planning out all the details, and hosting wonderful party. Public Relations has been planbusy the ning many Kinginflatfish able activiand

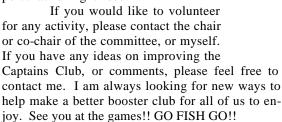
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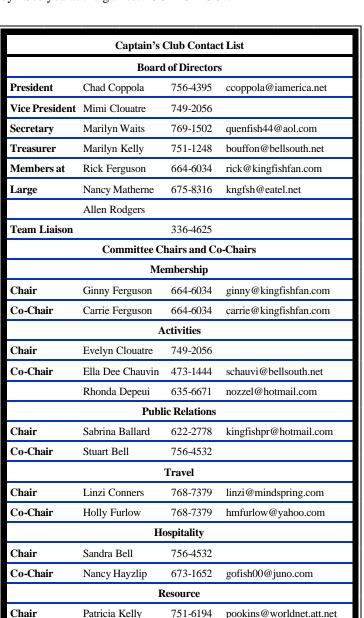
Lorretta Young

helping out with handouts at the doors of the Centroplex. The Resource Committee is selling raffle tickets at every home game for the jersey and hockey stick raffle, which is held at the end of each month. All the money collected will go the Captains Club charities: ADA, MDA, and Youth Hockey. These are all great causes, and you never know you might win, so please buy a ticket. Membership is now manning the table at all home games, and recruiting new members for the club. The Travel Committee has planned out many bus trips and group trip ticket packages, for our enjoyment, and so that we can support our Kingfish in other cities. Join in on the fun!

We have also had a change on the Board of Directors. Joel Smith has resigned from the board, and Allen Rodgers will be the replacement for the

board. Allen will be working hard as the new liaison for the Hospitality Committee, so lets all give him the help and support that he might need.





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Memberships are up to 131. We would the club: Vicki Travis, Lisa Abshre, Carl Dunn.

# like to welcome the following memberships to Membership Committee

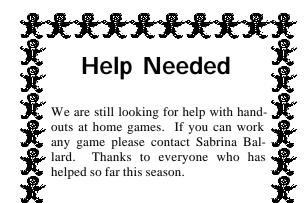
Remember guys there is an incentive for bringing in new members. 5 new members = a game tape from the 1999-00 Season. Remember we have the scrapbook at the table so come by and take a look.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help at the table, please let me know. I am going to have a sign up sheet, so I don't overcrowd the table. You can call, see me at the games, or email me to let me know when you would like to help.

I would like to thank the following people for either helping out at the table so far or even offering to help at the table: Carrie Ferguson, Sabrina Ballard, Carolyn McGlean, Ava Slay, Bob and Kim Thompson, and Leslie Jennings.

#### **ADA WALK**

If you are interested in walking or making a donation to our walk team please contact Sabrina Ballard at kingfishpr@hotmail.com. This year's walk will be held on Saturday, November 18. I will leave walk packets at the membership table during the first intermission. Hope you will join us for a great cause to find a cure for Diabetes.





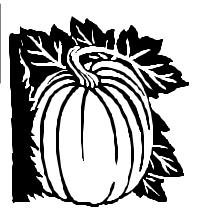
Are you "On-Line", check out the Captains Club web site at www.kingfishfan.com/cc.

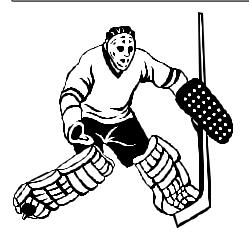
Get up to date info on the Captains Club.

Would you like to place an ad in the Captains Club newsletter. Birthday, Anniversary, or other notices.

Captains Club members can place Personal ads for \$5.00 per month and Commercial ads for \$50.00 per season.

Business card size and artwork can be submitted. Contact Sabrina for more info.





#### **Activities Committee**

The Meet the Kingfish party was a success. There was about 130 members and players in attendance. The decorations and food were excellent.

Everyone had a wonderful time meeting and talking to the players. Welcome baskets were displayed on table in front for everyone to view but were not given out until later in the week. We would like to thank the Activities Committee members who helped prepare the meal and decorate.

## November 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	<b>2</b> @ New Orleans	3 Vs. Pensacola	4 @ Jackson
5	6	7	8	9	10 Vs. Mobile (Food Drive)	11 Vs. Augusta (Food Drive)
12 @ Louisiana	13	14 Captains Club Meeting	15 Vs. Penascala	16	17 @ Jackson	18
19	20	21	22 @ Jackson	23	24 Vs. Louisiana	25 @ Mississippi
26	27	28	28	30		

**Captains Club Dates of Interest** 

November 1—Captains Club BOD Meeting

November 10 & 11—Captains Club Food Drive

November 14—Captains Club General Meeting

November 20—Newsletter Article Deadline





Would you like to join in on the conversation with other Kingfish fans. Join us at the Kingfish Egroups e-mail list.

You can join the list by sending an e-mail to kingfish-subscribe@egroups.com or pointing your web browser to http://www.egroups.com/ community/kingfish

It is FREE!!



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### GO FISH GO FISH GO!

Oops, we're not at an away game are we? I better save some energy! Well, so far, away game ticket sales and trips have been a success. We sold about 85 tickets to New Orleans, between the first two games/trips, and about 45 to Jackson between those first two games. Can't wait to see all of you there! The bus trip to New Orleans was a blast, and all who went are sure to say the same, BUT, we want to see some new faces! Not worrying about parking and driving is the way to go!

#### Here's the next few trip deadlines:

Saturday, November 25th in Mississippi \$12\*\* GROUP TICKETS ONLY Deadline November 10th home game \*\*Must sell at least 20 tickets or no group seats Friday, December 8th in New Orleans \$11 TICKET ONLY \$26 BUS AND TICKET Deadline November 15th home game

Friday, November 17th in Jackson \$6\*\* GROUP TICKETS ONLY Deadline November 3rd home game \*\*If at least 20 people go

Now, I know some of these trips are far from now, but plan ahead and make sure you get on the road to support your 'Fish! Come see me at the Captain's Club table before the game or at first intermission to reserve your tickets and bus seats NOW! Once again...see you on the road!

Linzi Conners Travel Chair 768-7379 linzi@mindspring.com Section 304 Row D

# **Kingfish Hockey Etiquette**

Below are some helpful ideas to pass on to the Kingfish fans around you. Hopefully this will help everyone have a very enjoyable experience at the Kingfish Hockey games.

- Arrive early to avoid the traffic and long lines.
- ♦ Stay seated during game play! If you have to get up, do it when there is a stoppage in play. Also don't return to your seat until play has stopped.
- Yelling obscenities at opposing players, referees, or fans from other teams is not appropriate! Remember this is a family event!
- ◆ Do not under any circumstances throw any objects on the ice. This will result in a penalty for our team and could result in someone getting injured.
- ◆ Do not leave the game early. This can be a distraction to our team and they will notice it. The game is not over until the final buzzer sounds and true Kingfish fans will wait till the end.
- Drink in moderation to avoid rude behavior and accidents to other hockey fans.

# OCTOBER MEETING GUEST SPEAKERS

On October 17, 2000 we had two quest speakers, Stan Gulutsan and Jeremy Holbrook. Stan is the director of Public Relations and Merchandising. He has been with the Kingfish since last season. Jeremy is the director of Game Operations. He started with the Kingfish in August of this year. Jeremy came from the Huntington Blizzards. Some of the topics were new merchandise and upcoming entertainment at the games. Jeremy discussed different theme nights we will have at some of the games. A few examples: Family Christian Night, 70's Night, and WWF Night.

Thanks to Jeremy and Stan for taking their time to come and speak with us.

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# "Take A Chance On An Autographed Jersey!"

Raffle ticket sales have been pretty good at the last couple of home games, but they could be better.

Remember the money goes to the American Diabetes Association, Muscular Dystrophy Association and Kingfish Junior Hockey. Not only do you have a chance to win an autographed jersey, but new this year is the chance to win an autographed stick. If you haven't bought your tickets yet, you'd better hurry up because they are going fast! Remember, the drawing will be held during the 2nd intermission of the last home game of the month and you don't have to be present to win!

The Resources Committee is also looking for a few loud mouthed volunteers to help downstairs with the selling of the tickets. We know you are out there so why not put that mouth to use and help raise some money while you are at it. You don't have to join the Resources Committee to help out. Tickets are also available to be signed out if you would like to sell some at your office or in your neighborhood. So, stop by the Guest Services table near the Kingfish merchandise stand upstairs and say hello and while you are at it, buy a few raffle tickets. GO FISH!!!



The Hospitality Committee met with the players on October 12th at

the storage unit to hand out apartment supplies to help with apartment needs.

Since the roster was not completed by the time of the welcome party, the welcome baskets were delivered to the players after apartment

assignments were made by the Coach. The players expressed appreciation for the supplies and welcome baskets. The first road trip goody bags were packed for the

October 27th Arkansas / Jackson road trip.

The Hospitality committee would like to welcome Allen Rodgers as our new Liaison, we are looking forward to working with you this year. Also we'd (Sandra & Nancy H.) like to say THANK YOU to everyone who has helped with the Hospitality Committee thus far.



Corporate Cup Race Downtown Allstar Nissan October 28 October 28 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Remember to Vote

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I am looking for newsletter articles. If you can write or have an idea about an article please contact Sabrina Ballard.

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### **Food Drive**

This years food drive will be held on Friday, November 10 and Saturday November 11. Please spread the word so we can help the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank help needy families in and around the surrounding area.

We will have barrels at the main entrances of the Centroplex.

We will be collecting nonperishable food items.

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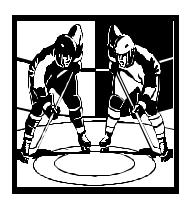
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# BATON ROUGE KINGFISH CAPTAIN'S CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Meeting
Tuesday November 14, 2000
at Ryan's Steak House
11650 Coursey Blvd.
Come see which Kingfish players will be there!!

Dining at 6 pm and meeting at 7 pm.