



Captain's Log

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"Tip Of The Ice"

By Patricia Kelly

Until the 1999-2000 season begins, Kingfish defenseman Paul Croteau has been keeping himself busy working part-time at TMC Shipping and working out at Calloway's Court Club.

When asked if his off-season work-out differs from during the season, Paul says "definitely. You can't skate here all the time like you can at home." So until the ice returns, his morning workout is made up of lifting a few weights and riding the stationary bike. After dinner, he enjoys a light jog with his weimaraner Savannah.

He also enjoys playing golf about three or four times a week. "Not being a great" golf player, Paul says that he is better at it than teammate Cam Brown.

"Sometimes I feel sorry for Brownie out there," Paul says with a chuckle.

Many Kingfish fans will be disappointed to learn that this will be Paul's last year to play hockey. He will definitely stay here in Baton Rouge and may look into attending classes at L.S.U. to get a Master's Degree in business or related field.

Paul has lots of memories from his days playing hockey but probably his favorite hockey memory is from

his sophomore year at Bowdoin College when his team won the championship in front of the hometown crowd.

It was tougher for him to narrow down to one favorite non-hockey memory but he says "it would have to be the day I graduated from college." Paul graduated from Bowdoin College with a Liberal Arts degree in 1995 before going on to play hockey with the Roanoke Express.

Paul is one of the few players still remaining on the team from the transition from Erie to Baton Rouge. He only played in Erie for 31 games, but he says that it is different playing down south.

"It seems like there is more support from the fans. The fans are willing to stick by the team through thick and thin. They are very supportive, not just fair weather fans," he says of the Baton Rouge fans.

Paul did get the chance last month to make a trip back home. It would appear as though south Louisiana has claimed yet another Yankee as their own. While back at home in "Lobster country" he did try a few times to eat lobster

but just found it "too bland." He much prefers crawfish to lobster now.

He couldn't name just one thing that he liked about Baton Rouge, but he did manage to narrow it down to three, naming the people as the first.

"The people down here are definitely real nice. It's a real treat," he says. His second favorite thing was the food, specifically crawfish and the third was the weather.

Kingfish fans everywhere will probably agree that it has been a pleasure watching him play and wish him all the best in whatever he decides to do after hanging up his skates.

Paul would also like to tell Captain's Club members that he is very much "looking forward to the upcoming season."



Special points of interest:

- Welcome Kingfish Party
- Traveling to New Orleans
- Kingfish TV Schedule
- MDA and ADA fund raising

Rick's Rantings

I know that you are like me in counting the hours till the puck drops in the Fish Tank.

Some of you may not have been following who is supposed to be in training camp this year (I can't imagine who). I thought I would list the ones I know about:

Forwards:

Dan Shermerhorn, Cam Brown, Jon Sturgis, Luke Curtin, B.J. Johnston, Joe Seroski, Bryan Richardson, Eric Normandin, Casey Wolak, Dominic Perna, Matt Ouellette, Sylvain Dufresne, Kevin Rawlick, Carlos Soke, Donnie Kenney, Stephen Douglas

Defenceman:

Ted Laviolette, Paul Croteau, Joe Eagan, Brett Abrahamson, Chris Aldous, Mike Lankshear, Keith Bland, Matt Cunningham, Jordan Flodell, Scott Macho

Goalies:

Mike Lenarduzzi, Bryan McMullen, Bill Russell

The Captains' Club newsletter will now be available on-line. You can view the newsletter at <http://www.premier.net/~simple/kingfish/brkcc> by using Adobe Acrobat and your web browser. If you don't have a copy of Acrobat there is a link to download a free copy. Acrobat is a good program to have when using the internet.

**GO
FISH
GO!**

Welcome the Kingfish Party

Wednesday October 13 1999
7 - 9 p.m.

Players Gate Catering
1576 O'neal Lane

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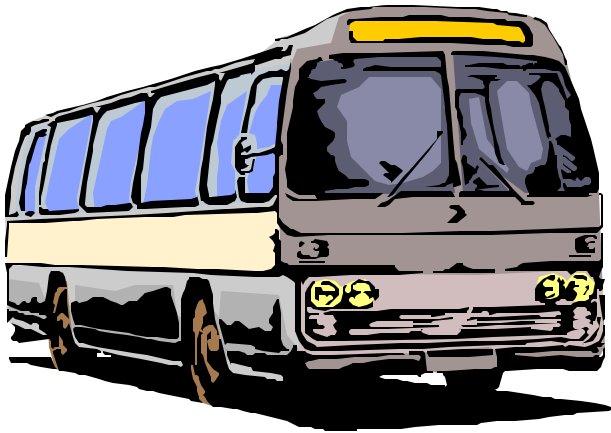
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Travel Committee



*[sung to "I'm walking to New Orleans"]
We're riding to New Orleans,
We're riding to New Orleans,
We're going to watch the Kingfish WIN,
Then we'll all be wearing GRINS,
We're riding to New Orleans.....*

**Our bus trip is on!!!!
KINGFISH-vs-BRASS, October 29th, 1999**

Here are the prices:

- ◆ Bus and ticket to game...\$28.00
- ◆ Bus only...\$16.00 (this includes \$1.00 tip for the driver)
- ◆ Ticket only...\$12.00

We've reserved a 25 seat bus but you need to hurry, we only have 19 seats left. This will be the first game in the new 'New Orleans Arena' and it's gonna' be FUN. This is on a first come, first get-a-seat, basis. Please call or e-mail, our info is listed below, A.S.A.P. so we can get this bus rollin'. We accept cash (in person), or check/money order made out to "BR Kingfish Captains' Club", no later than October 16th, our first home game.

We will be at the General Meeting in October, or at the game at the Captain's Club table or in section 304, row D. It's gonna' be great. We can't (and don't want to) wait to hear from you. Remember, you'll save on gas, traffic hassles (you know those N.O. drivers...), and the parking headaches and fees.

Come on, let's pass a good time together and join our first, and hopefully not our last, bus trip. We will also attempt to get "group seats only" to other games for you. All info for them will be in the next newsletter. Details will be given individually for the bus to N.O. (If we see we have more who want to participate, we can get a bigger bus and the price would be reduced for the ride.) The \$12 game

tickets are mid-priced. They have 6 levels of pricing.

CHANTS OR CHEERS

*" We are the Kingfish, We couldn't be prouder,
So come on everyone, Let's yell a little louder!!!!!!
GEAUX KINGFISH !!!!!!!!!!! "*

(corny, we know, just trying to get your attention)

Wanted...Wanted...

Your HELP in getting our Kingfish fans vocally involved. We haven't heard from anyone yet.

Where are your ideas????

We know you have them. Don't be bashful. We want our guys to know we are the "Best Fans in the E.C.H.L." We have come up with one so far to try....When our player(s) gets out of the Penalty Box (now, that doesn't happen, does it?) and they announce "the Kingfish are back to full strength", we add "They Always Are !!!!!" or "They Always Were !!!!!".

What do you think??

And maybe we could come up with something new for the opposing team. We want to try and remember this is a family sport. If we can have the booster club members getting involved, we think the others around you will join in. Please let us know if you might have any suggestions to help cheer our KINGFISH on. Or just start them on your own and see what happens. We're sure more will come to mind as the season starts.

Let's be a "nice fans" arena to visitors. Most of us know what "not nice fans" arenas are like. They are not fun.

Thanks for reading and we'll see you soon.....Nancy and Nancy

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"Let's Get Ready to Rumble" Poker Run for MDA

Team of the Millennium

Saturday, October 16
Ride Starts at Casino Rouge
Ends at the Baton Rouge Centroplex (Fish Tank)
1st rider out at 10:00 A.M.
Last Rider in at 3:30 P.M.
Registration 9:00 A.M. Day of Ride

Registration Includes:

Ride, Tail Gate Party, and a ticket to the Kingfish Season Opener
First 500 Registrations Receive a Commemorative T-Shirt
Beautiful Ride, Great Food, and Kingfish Hockey

Pre Registration \$20 per Bike - \$10 per Extra Rider
Race Day Registration \$30 per Bike - \$15 per Extra Rider

For more information call the
Baton Rouge Kingfish 336-4626 ext. 28

Ride Route

*Casino Rouge
Road Side BBQ, Starhill
Steam Boat Charlies, St. Francisville
Elm Park Restaurant, Highway 10
Kemp's Restaurant, Clinton
Riverside Centroplex*

Possible Rules Changes

IT has been reported there will be come rules changes for this season. Following is a list of some of the changes that will affect the game.

- ◆ Automatic Icing: the opposing player will no longer have to skate down to touch the puck.
- ◆ 5-second face-off: Once the referee blows his whistle the teams have 5 seconds for the face-off.
- ◆ Starters only allowed to warm up before period starts, this is supposed to help protect the condition of the ice.
- ◆ Delayed offsides: To allow the players the opportunity to get back across the blue line.

These changes are designed to help speed up the game.

Activities Committee

The activities committee met September 11, 1999, to come up with some proposals for the **Meet the Kingfish Party**. After the Board reviewed the proposals it was decided to have a jambalaya buffet style dinner at the "Players Gate". The Players Gate Catering is located at 1576 O'neal Lane. It is just 1000 ft. north of I-12 on left.

The cost will be \$7.00 for adults, children under 15 are free. Activities will be selling passes to the Meet the Kingfish party at the pre-season game 10-08-99, the club meeting 10-12-99, and at the door.

Any questions please feel free to call Evelyn at 749-2056 (H), 924-4815 (W).

The activities committee will have a breif meeting after the general club meeting on 10-12-99.

LET'S GO KINGFISH

A Fan's Guide to Ice Hockey

(excerpt from the LSU Leisure Classes Guide)

Ron Hansis—Owner/General Manager, Baton Rouge Kingfish

What could be cooler than watching the "Fastest Sport on Earth?" With the recent explosion of interest in hockey throughout the Southern United States, you can learn the fundamental rules and what captivates people about the sport from foreign to southern climates.

There are currently seven professional hockey teams in Louisiana alone. Come learn the key to being part of the funniest crowds around.

An optional field trip to watch the Baton Rouge Kingfish will be offered.

\$34– General Public

\$22 –LSU students and LSU Union Members

Televised Kingfish Games

KTTE-11 has released its schedule of televised Kingfish games. More info will be announced at a later time. Let them know how much you want to have the games televised. You can contact them at info@kttel1.com or 225-929-9959 .

MONTH	DATE	OPP	HOME/AWAY	DATE TO AIR
OCTOBER	16	MISSISSIPPI	HOME	OCT. 16&17
OCTOBER	23	JACKSON	AWAY	OCT. 24&25
OCTOBER	28	AUGUSTA	HOME	OCT. 28&29
NOVEMBER	7	LAFAYETTE	AWAY	TBA
NOVEMBER	20	MOBILE	HOME	NOV. 20&21
NOVEMBER	24	BIRMINGHAM	HOME	NOV. 24&25
NOVEMBER	27	NEW ORLEANS	HOME	NOV. 27&28
DECEMBER	3	PENSACOLA	HOME	DEC. 3&4
DECEMBER	11	ARKANSAS	HOME	DEC. 11&12
DECEMBER	15	JACKSONVILLE	HOME	DEC. 15&16
DECEMBER	23	JACKSON	AWAY	DEC. 24
DECEMBER	28	MISSISSIPPI	AWAY	DEC. 29
JANUARY	7	GREENVILLE	HOME	JAN. 7&8
JANUARY	11	PENSACOLA	AWAY	JAN. 11&12

Resource Report

Hi!!!!!! A lot of fun was had by all, at the American's Walk for Diabetes held Sat. September 23, 1999. The 21 people who walked raised and presented \$2208 to the Diabetes chapter of Baton Rouge.

The resource committee would like to thank all those who made up "Cam's Cronies" but a special acknowledgement goes out to Allan & Josephine Westerman who raised \$457.00 and Allan's sister Debra Bordelon with \$635.00—Not to shabby !!!!

The Captain's Club will be presented a plaque at the meeting on October 12 by the Diabetes Association. It is second place again but were closing in on first.

There will be an auction at the October 12 Captains Club meeting of a "Kiss the Pig" tee shirt. So bring your money and be ready to bid on this Limited Edition Shirt. We hope to make this a monthly, with all money going to Cam's Kiss the Pig contest.

At each home game we will be selling raffle tickets. If you would like to get in on the fun of selling



A well deserved rest after the ADA walk



Working hard to raise money for MDA

tickets contact us for more info. The raffle is to help support various charities which this year will be Muscular Dystrophy Association, American Diabetes Association and Youth Hockey. The more we sell the more we can give to help people in need. Thanks for your support.

P.S. From what I hear Cam is getting his lips ready for some Pig Kisses.

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YEAR 2 KINGFISH
YEAR 2 KELLY CUP

Hospitality Committee

Public Relations Committee

The hospitality committee has just completed the information booklets for the players. It is a 85 page booklet of information about things to do and see in Baton Rouge and the surrounding areas.

We are also working on buying the items and packing the Welcome Basket to be given out at the Meet the Kingfish party.

Beverly & Sabrina

The public relations committee has been helping the Kingfish over the summer by working the inflatable at various events. We will continue to do so in future, along with several hand-outs during the season. If you would be interested in assisting with either of these events, please contact April, Todd or Chad.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ e-mail _____ Fax _____

Employment _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Type of Membership:
 \$15.00 Individual (18 years of age and up)
 \$25.00 Family (Parents and Children under 18)*
 \$150.00 Corporate (Limited to 10 employees)*
 * Please list all names and ages to the side.

Referred by: _____

I want to work on the following committee:

Activities Resources Hospitality

Public Relations Membership Travel

Make checks payable to: **Baton Rouge Kingfish Captain's Club**

Mail to: Baton Rouge Kingfish Captain's Club
 275 South River Road
 Baton Rouge, LA 70802

BATON ROUGE CAPTAINS CLUB

P. O. Box 2142
Baton Rouge, La. 70821

Baton Rouge Kingfish Captains Club's General Meeting

DATE: Tuesday Oct. 12

PLACE: MamaCitas

Eating at 6 p.m.

Meeting Starts at 7 p.m.