



Captain's Log

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"Tip Of The Iceberg"

By Patricia Kelly

It won't be long now until the Centroplex Arena is filled with ice, the stands are filled with Kingfish fans, and the puck drops.

So until then what are our favorite players doing with their time?. What better person to start with than our team captain, Cam Brown.

Cam has been busy this summer working out with friends at Calloway's Court Club, golfing (even though he says he isn't very good), riding his motorcycle around town ("only in the evenings" he is quick to add), and playing softball. He also enjoys attending LSU football and baseball games whenever he can.

This summer he took a two week road trip up to Canada with a pal of his to the Sturgess Bike Rally. "It was awesome," Cam said of his trip through the Black Mountains.

He is keeping in top shape by working out for two to three hours a day during the summer months. His off-season workout does differ from his season workout in



that he works out more during the early summer months to gain back some muscle he has lost. During the season, he concentrates more on the lighter weights and a more cardiovascular workout to be able keep up the pace needed during the games.

One thing he has done differently this summer is more rollerblading. Head Coach Bob McGill talked to Cam about it and they both are hoping that it will improve Cam's skating. "I already do feel stronger so hopefully it will help out during the season. We'll just have to see."

One of the biggest attractions of hockey to many people is the fighting that goes on during the games. Anyone who has been witness to a fight during the game can attest that it certainly does get the fans on their feet. The question becomes do the players ever feel any pressure from the other players or even the fans to go to "fisticuffs" when they don't particularly want to? Cam says he doesn't think so.

"I have the reputation now that I can take care of myself and it falls on me as a veteran to take care of the others, " and feels no pressure from anyone to do so.

Cam is one of the many Kingfish players that has been known to sing the praises of Baton Rouge and the community. Probably one of the biggest compliments is his having made this his year round home by purchasing a house here.

"My heart is here," Cam says when asked where exactly he calls home. He would like to continue playing hockey "as long as it's fun." His most immediate goal is that championship ring.

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- Diabetes Walk with Cam info

Rick s Rantings

I know that all of you are waiting with great anticipation to the upcoming season. It is only a few short weeks away. In less than a month the ice will be down The Captain's Club has had a Board of Director change over the summer. Marilyn Kelly has been added and Greg has resigned.

Greg found that he may not be able to give the club time this year. He thought it would be better for the club if he would back out for now until he can devote the time needed again.

In this issue of the Captains Log we have some proposed By-Law changes. We will vote on these changes at the Sept. General Meeting.

By now you should have noticed a new feature we hope to expand this year. Patricia Kelly has accepted the duties of doing player interviews for the newsletter.

We have a number of events coming up in the next month that will need help from the membership. Please find time to contact the committees and give them some assistance with these projects. The PR and Resources committees are looking for help for their activities. Check our their committee reports for contact information on how to help.

As some of you know we have a mailing list for the kingfish. We will be announcing Captains club activities on the list to better keep everyone informed on what is happening and asking for help in the club. If you have an internet email account you can go to <http://www.onelist.com/kingfish/subscribe> to subscribe to the list. This can also be done by sending an email to me at simple@premier.net or selecting the "Join Onelist" icon at the bottom of my kingfish web page at <http://www.premier.net/~simple/kingfish>.

Meeting Change

The date, time, and place of the Captains Club general meeting will change this year.

We have changed the meeting day to Tuesday this year. This will allow us to have the meetings start 7 p.m. instead of 7:30 or 8:00 like in the past. The room we will be meeting in will be open at 6 p.m. This will give you the opportunity to eat if you would like. You will not be required to eat to attend the meeting.

The meeting location has also changed, we will be meeting at MamaCitas Restaurant MamaCitas is located at 7524 Bluebonnet Blvd., which is in the shopping center at the corner of Perkins and bluebonnet. We hope this is a more central location for the members to meet.

The dates for this years meetings are:

September 14	October 12	November 2	December 7
January 4	February 8	March 14	April 11

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"I want to know what it feels like to be on a winning team." His long term plans are to coach some day and would love to coach the Baton Rouge Kingfish someday.

Having played hockey since he was just four years old, it's not surprising to find out that he does a lot of things just out of habit rather than following superstitions. Cam says that if he has a particularly good game, not necessarily scoring but just playing and winning a good game, he will try and repeat what he did that day like his pre-game meal, or wake up time, but he doesn't really have a reason for why he gets dressed in a certain order other than out of habit.

Cam's most exciting and favorite hockey memory is "actually three fold." It includes getting signed with an NHL team as a free agent at just 19, then the following year signing with Vancouver, and then his "first and only NHL game appearance."

On March 3, 1991 a younger Cam Brown first met up with a young Bob McGill only they were on opposing teams. At the time, McGill was playing for the Chicago Blackhawks. On a recent visit with his parents, Cam had the opportunity to sit down and watch that game again and had sort of forgotten how much ice time both he and McGill had gotten. In case you are wondering, Chicago smoked Vancouver in that game 8-0.

As for our new goalie, Mike Lenarduzzi, Cam is looking forward to playing with him this year.

He thinks signing him on is "a huge coup for Big Daddy and he will make a great addition to the team." According to Cam, he couldn't have picked a better candidate to replace last years co-MVP goalie Jordan Willis and that we have a good quality goalie in Lenny.

One question many of our female fans have wondered is why our team captain is still single? Cam says, "For so long my focus has been only my career. I've spent so many years moving that it's tough to ask someone to live that kind of life."

Despite having "settled" into Baton Rouge he still finds it difficult but is still searching and hoping to find that special girl that will make him want to put hockey on the back burner and concentrate on her, but he doesn't put a whole lot of time and effort into "the search." The main thing that he is looking for is someone that will be understanding with the life that he has to live and wants to live.

So if he finally does find that special

girl, his idea of a romantic evening would be a "quiet meal, some nice conversation, maybe share a bottle of wine and a movie. Just relax at home and get to know one another."

Despite the fact that Cam spends most of his time in and around the world of hockey, a little known fact about him is that he loves to read. He wants the kids to know that he not only has a library card but that he uses it. He spends lots of time at bookstores and the library finding action-adventure books that will thrill him and transform him to a different world. His favorite book is "Trinity", a fictitious account of the formation of the I.R.A. by Leon Uris.

In closing Cam would like to send to members of the Captain's Club "a heartfelt thanks for everything they've done and continue to do." He knows that other players, including himself, find the booster club makes it easier for the players and their families to make the adjustment to living down here and many, like him, find it difficult to leave.



Travel Committee

Hey KINGFISH Fans,

How many of you would be interested in a group bus trip to the first "KINGFISH-vs-BRASS" game at the new "New Orleans Arena"? You know the parking and traffic is, "not much fun" down there. That is what we would like to try and do for YOU. We are checking out possible arrangements now. This is assuming the new arena is completed and ready for KINGFISH action. If not, to the old arena we'll go...safely. If you are interested, please get in touch with 'the travel committee' (listed below) as soon as possible so we can get a good idea of a group size and we'll get started. We can't wait to get this season going!!

The travel committee also needs some help with a project. We would like to try and get the KINGFISH fans, as a group, a little more vocally motivated and spirited (is that a word) at the games. We are looking for suggestions for enthusiastic and family oriented cheers and chants for our arena. Short, long, with songs, during power plays or to help with a penalty kill, and maybe something for the guys when they hit the ice. Many of us who get to travel to other arenas are blown away by some of the group participation for the home teams. Pee Dee was the most exciting. And we'd like to keep all of the younger fans in mind and keep the language family friendly. If you have any ideas, please SHOUT them our way.

We are getting excited and can hardly wait for that first puck to drop.....drop that puck !!!!!!! Also, if and when you get a favorite player and would like to get a banner for him to bring to EVERY home game, please check with...Sec-304, Row-D, Seat-6 or 8. I have fun doing them. Thank You, Nancy and Nancy

"Your Travel Committee"

(all emails will get a response of receipt)

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2000 Booster Club Jamboree

The Krewe of Brass have officially selected a host hotel for next year's ECHL Booster Club Jamboree in New Orleans ("Jammin' With Jazz!").

The Queen & Crescent Hotel is located in the middle of downtown New Orleans--easy walking distance from the French Quarter, the St. Charles streetcar line, the tourist attractions along the Mississippi River, Canal Street, etc.

The quoted nightly rate for those attending the jamboree is \$75/night, double occupancy (plus hotel tax rate of 11%). We have 45 rooms reserved for Friday and Saturday nights, which can be adjusted upward if the need arises. We also have about 20 rooms held for both Thursday night and Sunday nights for those wanting to come to New Orleans a day early or stay a day later to sightsee. There are both single and double-bed rooms available.

The dates for "Jammin' With Jazz!" are Friday, July 28-Sunday, July 30, 2000.

More info on jamboree will be finalized soon--stay tune for updates.

Attached is the hotel's website. Operators are standing by to take your reservations!

www.queenandcrescenthotel.com

ROY BOWEN

(excerpt from the Brass mailing list)



Activities



The Kingfish Captains Club ended the year with the annual summer BBQ that was held on June 26 at South Park, a wet, hot time was had by all.

The Captains Club members welcomed Dan Shermerhorn and Colin Nichols of the Kingfish Team. We reminisced of the 98-99 season with many laughs.

Thanks to all of you who attended despite the rain and a special thanks to those of you who helped to make the picnic a success.

The withdrawal parties held at Logan's Roadhouse were quite a success. As many as 80 or more attended to share vacation mementos and snapshots. It was nice to see everyone and keep in touch about the whereabouts of the players we all love so dear? Thanks to all of you who came?

We are now in the planning stages of the 1999-2000 events. The dates are:

Meet the Kingfish—October 13th
Annual Christmas Party—December 21st
Awards Banquet—March 29th

Please mark you calendars? The activities Group are no meeting to plan this years events (com and join us)/ Evelyn Clouatre 749-2056 after 5 till 9 and 924-4815.

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.

\$22—LSU students and LSU Union Members
\$34—General Public

228 A.P. Tureaud Hall

7:00 pm—8:00 pm

Tue.— 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26

For further info Call (225)388-5118



Proposed By-Law Changes

Article IV Sec 2 (B)

add—Exceptions of dependants over 18 years must be approved by the board.

Article VII Sec 1 (F)

add—telephone members with upcoming events, bases for club activities.

Article VII Sec 2 (A)

change— providing methods to procure funds and resources for Captains' Club activities.

Article VII Sec 2 (B)

Delete

Article VII Sec 3 (A)

change—Planning and implementing a pre season meet the kingfish party, a Christmas party, and a post season awards banquet, and other events as voted by the Captains Club.

Article VII Sec 3 (B)

add—Event ticket sales are the committee members responsibility at the membership table.

Article VII Sec 3 (C)

add—Secure and confirm club meeting place for monthly club meetings

Article VII Sec 5 (D)

add—Ticket sales are the committee members responsibility at the membership table.

We will have a vote on these proposed changes at the Captains Club General Meeting on Tuesday September 14, 1999.

If you have any questions or comments on these proposed changes please bring them to the meetings for discussion.

Hospitality Committee

We have been working on updating the information book and getting it put together. Also trying to get donations for the welcome baskets and for the apartments. Also sewing bags for the away packs. The first part of Oct. we will start buying items for the welcome baskets and putting them together.

Beverly

Membership Notes

We have approximately 346 members in the Captain's Club right now. This year we would like to do everything possible to encourage new members to join and current members to become more involved. Let's not forget that the reason we are all together and our very reason for being is to support the Baton Rouge Kingfish.

This season we are adding a phone committee to our family. This committee will fall under membership but will be run by itself and consist of a few members that will be responsible for calling a select number of people every month to remind them of general meetings, any activities and just general happenings in the club. We are hoping that this will raise awareness in the club of the goings on and no one can claim that they were never contacted concerning anything. You will be responsible for calling the same people each time that we need to contact people that way you will get to know them. If anyone is interested please contact Patricia at 751-6194 or Allan at 751-1248.

Also, as usual if you have moved please call or email with your new address and or phone number. Also, if you have a new email address since you first joined or actually have one since joining, please email me with your address at pookins@worldnet.att.net.

Public Relations

The Captain's Club will be assisting the Kingfish with the inflatable at the following locations: September 19 at Blue Bayou Water Park from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; September 26th at the Atrium from 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. for the Leukemia Night Walk; October 2nd from 8 a.m. - 12 noon for the Alzheimer's Association Walk; and on October 22nd for Zoobilation at the Greater Baton Rouge Zoo from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

We are always looking for volunteers to help man the inflatable at different locations. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact April Welsh, Todd Cooper or Chad Coppola.

Resource Report

Resource has been busy this summer helping P.R. with working some of the charity events. We helped raise money for Cam Brown in the Kiss the Pig contest in which he came in second with over \$3000. We also presented the Children's Miracle Network with a check for \$600 and worked the phones for the telethon.

Through the efforts of then liaison, Chad, the club was able to work concessions at the Centroplex through out the summer. The efforts of the members that worked have raised over \$2000 so far.

Again this year your team captain, Cam Brown, is the Honorary Chairperson of the America's Walk for Diabetes in the Baton Rouge area. The Captains Club has formed a group, "Cam's Cronies", to walk with Cam Saturday September 25, 1999. This is a great way to have fun and raise money to help find a cure for diabetes. We want to show Cam and the ADA our support. We will be calling to get volunteers for the walk. If you would like to participate in raising money and walking we have pamphlets available for use in collecting money. Please contact us for more info:

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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:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel |

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Baton Rouge Kingfish Captains Club s General Meeting

!!!!!!! *DATE, TIME, PLACE CHANGE* !!!!!!!!

DATE: Tuesday Sept. 14

PLACE: MamaCitas

TIME: 7 p.m.

**Coach McGill will give us the latest
info on the Kingfish**