



ROAR

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE LEE VALLEY LIONS SUPPORTERS CLUB...

Dear Members,

Welcome to the ROAR! In the last month we have seen the Lions win three times at home, v Blackburn - a 7-4 encounter, v Telford, who it is so NICE to beat (10-7) & of course the big 11-1 victory over Trafford who definately are not the team they were. As for the road, anyone who went to Swindon will have witnessed the 10-5 defeat and the horrendous behaviour of certain people at the Link Centre that night those of you who were at the match on 8/12 at Lee Valley will have seen a copy of the letter sent from the centre co-ordinator, John Fisher, in the match day programme, in reply to one sent by Mike Cook protesting about the lack of security and control at the Link Centre. Whatever else went on that night, there is no excuse whatsoever for throwing cups of drinks and various other foodstuffs at people. (except perhaps in that one-off incident at a certain Shropshire rink where one of our more vociferous fans was attacked with a broly and a cheese roll was used in defence!) Anyway let's hope the Lions can beat the Wildcats on 8th Feb and settle the matter - a good entertaining game at Slough which unfortunately resulted in the Lions being defeated 5-4 (I still can't get used to that microwave food there), finishing up with a narrow escape for Basingstoke (10-8) at Lee Valley. The Xmas raffle that night went well, also the 50-50, many thanks to those who contributed. Hope you all have a very happy Christmas and a very 'merry' New Year, the Lions are back at the Den on the 12th January v the Milton Keynes Kings, with a road weekend away trip in between to Fife / Blackburn, this should be great fun so if you wish to book please contact Mark Lawther, Dave Blowes or Mike Cook on 0992 88782, the trip is the 4/5th January.....
Until next time, Enjoy the game....

NEW BLOOD
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HOT OFF THE PRESS IS THE LIONS NEW IMPORT SIGNING, IN PLACE OF BRAD WILSON WE NOW HAVE JEFF JOB - HT. 1.75 METRES, WT. 74 KILOS, HE IS A FORWARD AND SHOOTS LEFT. BRIEF PLAYING HISTORY IS AS FOLLOWS - 88/89 SEASON PLAYED FOR WESSAL IN THE NORTHERN LEAGUE IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, HE PLAYED 50 GAMES - 115 GOALS, 105 ASSISTS & TOOK 38 PENALTY MINUTES. 89/90 SEASON STAYED AT WESSAL, 30 GAMES, 52 GOALS, 54 ASSISTS, 34 PEN. MINS. 90/91 PLAYED FOR HERFORD - DIV.3 REGION WEST (IN GERMANY), 41 GAMES, 142 GOALS, 128 ASSISTS, 23 PEN.MINS. IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR HE PLAYED 2 GAMES FOR G.A.B. OF FRANCE IN WHICH HE SCORED 3 GOALS & 4 ASSISTS WITH 0 PENALTY MINUTES.

BEST OF LUCK TO JEFF, AND OUR GOOD WISHES GO TO BRAD WILSON FOR THE FUTURE.

C H I T C H A T

'CHIT-CHAT' this month is more like 'rush-chat' as I was prising life stories from our unsuspecting players while last orders were being called at the bar, here's the result...

ADAM GOLDSTONE, age 22 D.O.B. 4.11.69, started playing hockey at the age of 7 at Streatham, he tells me that his brother Tony was the first one involved in the sport then Dad Alec followed. His playing career mainly spans Streatham including a very short spell at Slough in their opening season, off to Richmond Flyers in 86/87, back to Streatham, then he started the 90/91 season with Medway Bears then onto Lee Valley where he says there are 'really good - loyal supporters, who we will try and get a few more wins for, as the Lions are having quite a good season which started off really well'. Outside of hockey, Adam works as a ceramic wall & floor tiler, carrying on in his late father's business with brother Tony. During the summer he likes to water-ski from his brother's boat down in Salcombe, Devon. He also likes to jog, as he says this helps stamina, his girlfriend - Anne is an aerobics instructor, so she puts him through his paces!! I asked Adam how the death of his father, Alec, such a well-known, influential figure in the sport he plays, affected him, his reply was:

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"I don't normally get penalties, but I did V Chelmsford & Medway, I was angry and took it out of the first few games after his death, but I'm alright now, I'm not angry any more".

Adam lives in Brixton with Mum, Kathy, Adam & Tony also have a 24 yr. old sister.

MORE - C H I T - C H A T

DEREK HIGDON, age 25 D.O.B. 11/8/66, Degsy (if he doesn't mind the nickname), started playing hockey at 5 years old in his home town of Ajax which is just outside of Toronto, he has played most of his hockey within his hometown including the Pickering Panthers a junior A side in Toronto. Derek professes to being a "boring, uninteresting type" (must have something to do with the time he spent at Bracknell, (sorry), but as many of you will agree he is certainly not 'boring' ON the ice, putting the puck in the net regularly, notching up 3+4 against Basingstoke Beavers only last weekend. He spent 4 years at Ohio State University in the U.S. on a scholarship, studying Education - Leisure & Recreation, e.g. Sports teaching, came to England to join the Bracknell Bees, but as a result of the 're-shuffle' in Berkshire last season had a chance to come to Lee Valley. He says he likes it here and would like to stay in the South of England as there is generally more to do. Outside of hockey he likes to go to the movies and pubs, listens to all sorts of music, & is a general "sit on the fence type about everything".

Derek is COMPLETELY single and hails from Ajax, just outside Toronto where he lives with his parents and younger brother.

Thank you Adam & Derek for your time on the above.

At the bottom of this section I would like to say HELLO to Geoff Da Costa (he knows why!)

MIKE & MARIAN - ON THE MOVE !!!

PLEASE NOTE IN FUTURE THE INFAMOUS LIONS SUPPORTERS CLUB SHOP USUALLY SITUATED IN THE VALLEY SKATE SHOP DURING ICE HOCKEY MATCHES WILL BE RETURNING TO IT'S OLD PITCH AT THE CLOCK END OF THE RINK IN THE T-STOP, THIS IS FOR SPACE AND SECURITY REASONS. I STILL HAVE NOT BEEN TO A RINK WHERE THE TEAM'S SUPPORTERS CLUB HAS SUCH AN EXTENSIVE RANGE OF GOODIES ON OFFER OR SUCH COLLECTORS ITEMS, ROMFORD & SWINDON HAVE A TABLE, SLOUGH HAVE BEEN PUT IN THE CUPBOARD ETC. ETC. SO AS THEY SAY, SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SHOP AND AT THE NEXT HOME GAME MAKE YOUR FIRST STOP A 'T-STOP'!!!

FOR THOSE WHO REMEMBER - 'STEADY EDDIE RETURNS' OR
'ED THE DUCK POPS UP!!'

A RARE SIGHTING OF AN U.I.H.N.R.C. (ICE HOCKEY NEWS REVIEW CORRESPONDENT)-UNIDENTIFIED, WAS MADE ON 8/12, IT WAS REVEALED AS ONE - EDDIE NORFOLK ONCE A REGULAR AT THE VALLEY WHO JUST HAPPENED TO WORK FOR THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA IN LONDON, HE USED TO TRAVEL AROUND THE COUNTRY GATHERING REPORTS ON ICE HOCKEY MATCHES FOR THE NEWS REVIEW AND ICE HOCKEY WORLD. THEN HIS FAIRY GODMOTHER APPEARED AND TRANSFERRED HIM TO THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA - TORONTO, WHERE EDDIE NOW LIVES HAPPILY EVER AFTER. HE SPENDS HIS TIME (OTHER THAN WORKING OF COURSE) TRAVELLING AS FAR AS HE CAN IN THE BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS, TO WATCH MINOR LEAGUE GAMES AND OF COURSE THE TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS IN THE N.H.L. HE GATHERS NHL INFO. AND NEWS TO SEND TO MR. BATCHELDER FOR THE I.H.N.R. EDDIE FLEW BACK TO TORONTO ON MONDAY MORNING, IT WAS GOOD TO SEE YOU AT LEE VALLEY ED, UNTIL NEXT TIME, MERRY XMAS FROM ALL OF US..

DON'T FORGET IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY CLAIMED YOUR PHOTOGRAPH OF A LIONS PLAYER-SIGNED PLEASE DO SO BY CONTACTING ME, IF YOU DON'T GRAB ME AROUND THE RINKS THEN PHONE THE NUMBER FOR MIKE COOK 0992 88782, THE PHOTOS ARE VERY GOOD AND I MUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK KEITH BERRY FOR ALL HIS HARD WORK IN PUTTING THEM TOGETHER. THE PHOTOS ARE ALSO ON SALE IN THE CLUB SHOP. WE HOPE TO BE GETTING A TEAM PHOTO SHORTLY AS I KNOW MANY OF YOU HAVE ENQUIRED AFTER THEM...



FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T GET THE SUN, THIS IS THE STORY THEY CARRIED THIS WEEK.:

ICE SOCKEY!

10 sent off in 29-minute brawl



BIFF-ALO . . . Buffalo Sabres and Calgary Flames are breathing fire as their ice hockey clash turns into a punch-up

TEN players were sent off after an amazing 29-minute punch-up in America's ice hockey league.

In the brawl between the visiting Calgary Flames and the Buffalo Sabres, bitter by even the NHL's rough standards:

- Both benches joined in the melee.
- Calgary's Tim Hunter broke an ankle.

- The referee handed out a staggering 2hr 27min in penalties.
- And five players from each side were sin-binned.

The War on Ice was the follow-up to another violent clash between the two teams last month, when Buffalo star Pat LaFontaine was left with a

From RAY FLETCHER in Buffalo

broken jaw, a severed facial artery and several smashed teeth after a clash with Calgary's Jamie Macoun.

The Sabres had sworn revenge on the return meeting and the local Press had stoked up the fires with a picture of Macoun and the caption 'Wanted: Dead or alive.'

Shoving

Buffalo defenceman Brad Miller, one of the 10 sent off, admitted: "Everything was building, building, building. It was well publicised in the media and on TV.

"The media should be happy with what they saw tonight because they kept whipping it up and built it into a bit of a frenzy."

The battle erupted as Calgary's Ronnie Stern skated back to the Flames bench, bumping into Buffalo's Tony Tanti, known as a non-fighter.

The two started a shoving match which quickly spread to the Calgary bench and drew the rest of the Sabres over, with fights breaking out all over the ice.

When it was over, nearly half an hour later, referee Don Koharski as-

essed 147 minutes in penalties and Hunter limped off with a broken ankle after a pile of players fell on him.

Flames coach Doug Risebrough claimed the violence was planned insisting: "All I know is there was a lot of talk about how Jamie Macoun was going to get it before the game. To my mind that is premeditated."

Aggression

But Sabres coach Rick Dudley hit back: "I don't think the LaFontaine incident had anything to do with this. If it had, the architect of our aggression wouldn't have been Tanti and the target would have been Jamie Macoun."



CALGARY FLAMES



GAME #1

This Certifies That Michael Cook
Was In Attendance For The First
Calgary Flames Regular Season Game
In The National Hockey League
On Thursday, October 9, 1980
At The Stampede Corral
Calgary Flames vs. Quebec Nordiques

Score: Calgary 5 Quebec 5

Cliff Fischer
General Manager

A true collector's item. Fewer than 8,000 Calgaryans can claim ownership of one of these certificates handed out by the Calgary Flames on their opening night. The game, played against the Quebec Nordiques, ended in a 5-5 tie.





COURTESY OF EDDIE NORFOLK: THE LATEST PLAYER TO BE MADE UP TO OUR TWIN TEAM
THE HARTFORD WHALERS - SAM BLACK

