



# THE PUCK

**PHILADELPHIA FLYERS FAN CLUB**

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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**I don't know about you but it felt like an incredibly long off season!**

**My last entry had us on the cusp of a playoff berth and well we fell a tiny bit short. Maybe just maybe ,we had two Russian goalies that were very capable and here to learn for this season along with Ersson, who stepped up big last year considering the circumstances.**

**We definitely just had some valuable re-signings in Eric Johnson at trade deadline and again for this season with his Cup experience. Who knows the real story with Johansen? Waiving Atkinson, good man but MIA, qualifying Brink and Zamula, signing Matkmiemi which I think made Kolosov jump back across the pond and of course TK for another 8 years. Obviously, the unexpected early arrival of Michkov this season proved to be the gift that keeps on giving if preseason is any indication. The way he sees the ice and his hands... can't wait to see what magic can be made. So what does this season bring?**

**Since the "hockey pundits" gave us less than zero chance last year you think they would have learned something since we missed by a whisper. That would be a hard no. They do have Michkov as lead candidate for Calder trophy this season but that's the furthest they will give the Flyers any credit. I definitely question our special teams, especially with the same coach in charge. We are faster, we have a better back end, now we have another play maker giving and receiving , Fedotov might be the walrus backing up Ersson who has been nothing but excellent in preseason. I think we make it...What do you think?**

**I want to thank all of you who have joined the Fan Club whether this is your first year or your 50th. We have so many things on tap for this season and cannot wait to share them with you! Watch parties, Holiday party, Carnival, goal pools, raffles, exciting guests and surprises await! Bring your friends!**

**There is NOTHING like October!  
Misti Love  
President PFFC**

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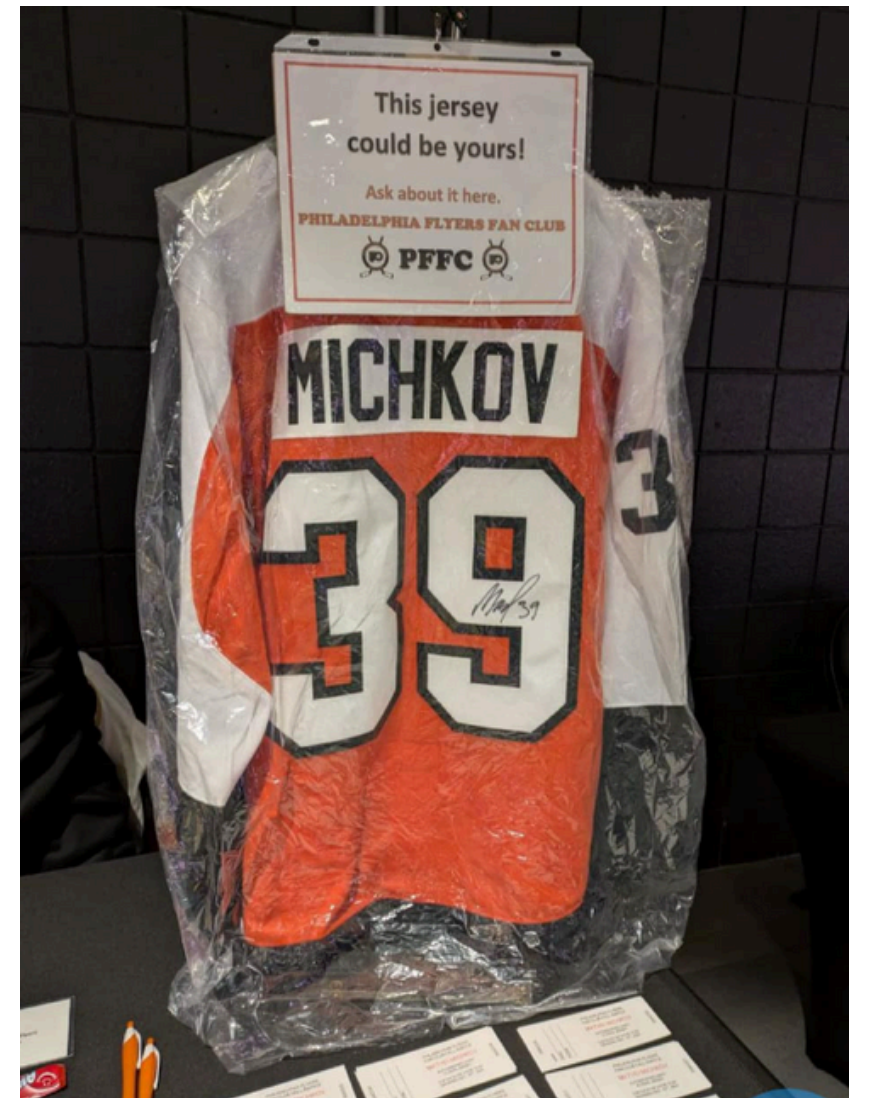
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## MEDIA SPOTLIGHT



# Brian Smith

**My name is Brian Smith**

**I am a radio host and content contributor for the Flyers.**

**I've been working in hockey for over 20 years, starting in 2000 in the minors in Kalamazoo, MI as a public relations director and radio play-by-play announcer. I worked in the Flyers public relations department for 13 years from 2009-2022 before switching departments to concentrate on our radio broadcast and contributing to our website/social media content.**

**The reason you do what you do...**

**I enjoy being the connection between the team and the fans.**

**Something that would surprise us about you...**

**Lifelong Delaware resident and graduate of the University of Delaware**

**Favorite moment? Player to interview? Funny Story?...**

**Favorite moments probably have been when my two older kids were Flyers Junior Reporters over the span of several years from about 2010-2015. Specifically, I came around a corner in our locker room complex and found my oldest interviewing Jaromir Jagr.**

**Favorite playoff moment?**

**2010 Boston comeback, game 3 of 2012 ECQF vs. Pittsburgh**

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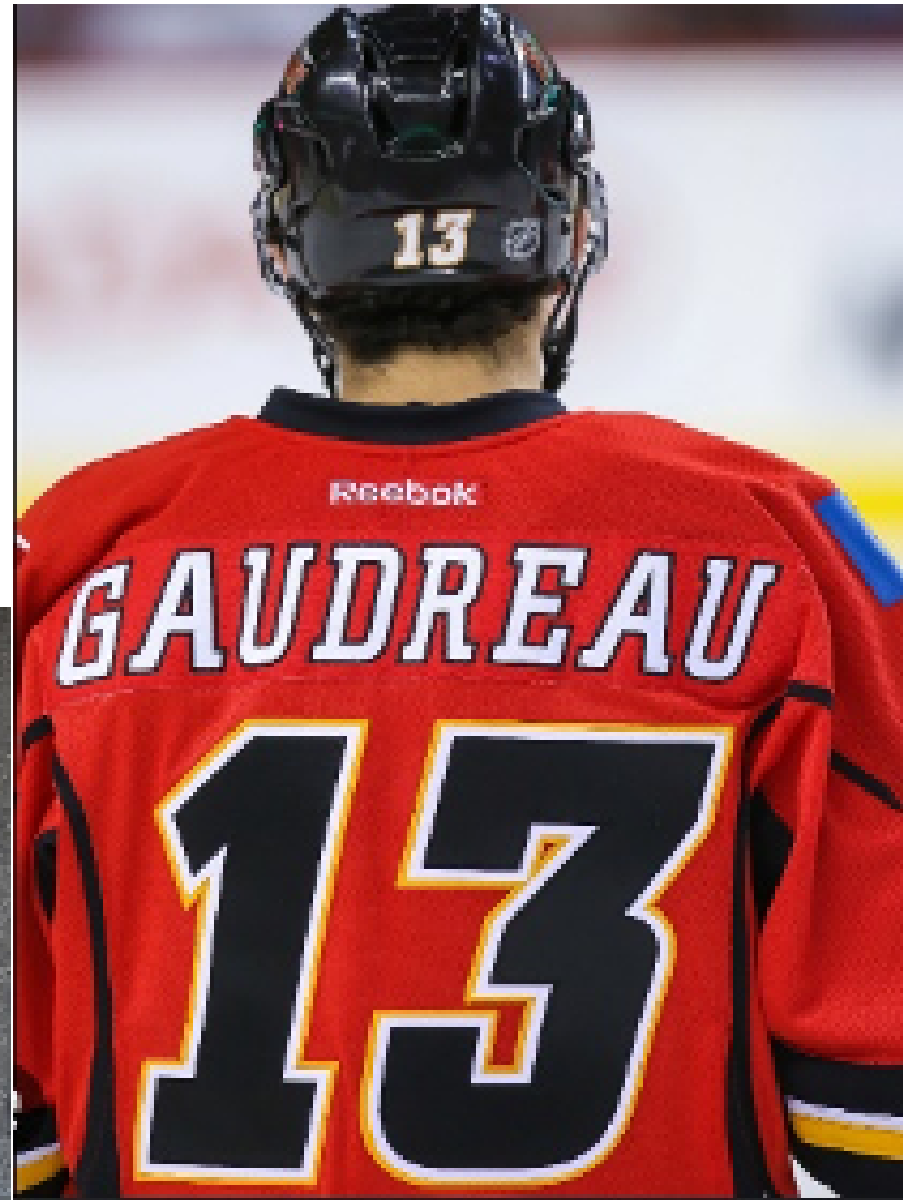


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# THANK YOU, "JOHNNY HOCKEY"

BY: JENNIFER BRECKOW



**“Johnny Hockey” was not just a team player; he was the heart of all his teams. Remembering him from Vancouver to Calgary to Philadelphia, each of them had a moment to show their love. We will miss his big smile and his style of playing the game we all love. Thank you, Johnny, for all you have done. You will not be forgotten.**



# **PELLE LINDBERGH: A PHILADELPHIA FLYER GONE TOO SOON**

**BY: RONALD CRISTANDO**

**In the annals of Philadelphia Flyers history, certain players transcend into legends, and as we approach the 40th anniversary of his untimely passing, Pelle Lindbergh is one of those players. From the perspective of an outsider born and raised on Long Island in the glorious 1980s, growing up as a fan of anyone other than the Islanders was rough, to say the least.**

**My personal experience with Pelle Lindbergh came in 1983 at the NHL All-Star game at the Nassau Coliseum. The 13-year-old version of myself was too nervous to approach Pelle before and after the game at events hosted at the Marriott hotel. I found it far less stressful to approach "The Great One" with ease. Although his All-Star performance was not the best of his career, for this one fan, it was an experience of a lifetime.**

**In a time before the internet and satellite radio, a young fan like myself would have had to place an aluminum foil-wrapped, rabbit-eared antenna radio in just the right spot of the bedroom window to listen to the evening sportscaster deliver the news to waiting fans about Pelle catching one of his lightning saves. I was a diligent statistician who always looked forward to after-school reading of the sports page for the stats from the previous night's game.**



# **PELLE LINDBERGH: A PHILADELPHIA FLYER GONE TOO SOON**

**BY: RONALD CRISTANDO**

**I cannot say hockey played a major role in my life, as a young child growing up in an Italian household where Calcio (soccer) occupied all of my life. Only to fit in with other kids did I explore other sports, thankfully landing into hockey. Pelle Lindbergh represented greatness to me, in an environment where Billy Smith was tops amongst other kids. Pelle, to me, was cool. Whether it was his iconic mask or the style in which he played with cat-like speed and accuracy, you could see his love of the game. The feeling was mutual for the city and the fans he played for, to say the least.**

**When Pelle led the Flyers to the finals, he was walking on water.**

**Then, in what seemed like a blink of an eye, Pelle was gone. His boundless potential was extinguished in an accidental auto accident. His loss was mourned by his family, friends, and fans. In the aftermath, there was much speculation and accusation thrown around, but in the end, Pelle paid the ultimate price. All that being said, his legacy as a Flyer should not be forgotten or spoken of in hushed tones. He belongs in the Flyers' Hall of Fame, and his #31 deserves a proper retirement.**

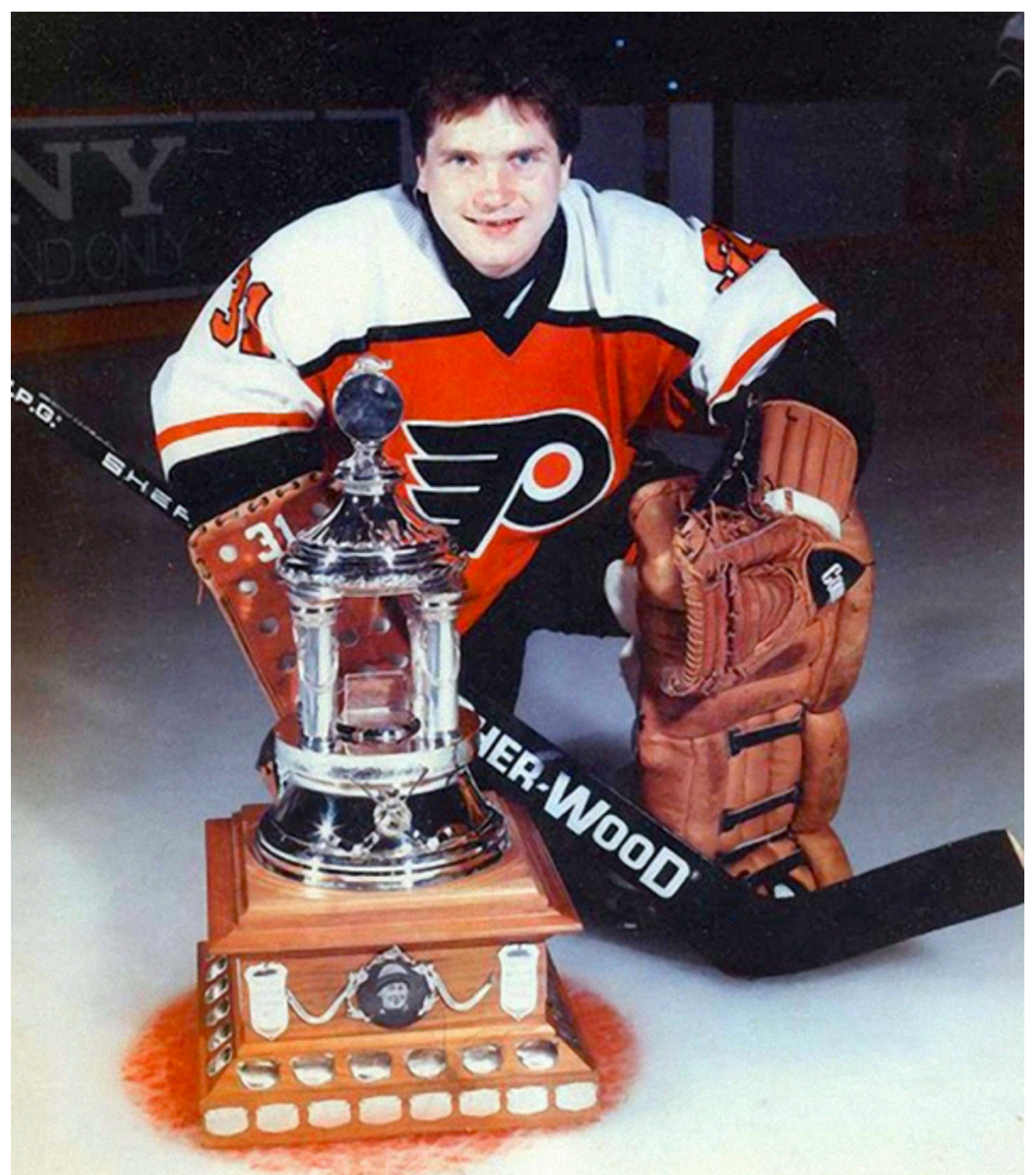
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**In that time, that accident could have happened to any player in any organization. The environment was far different from today's NHL. A quote from the great Bobby Clarke in a 1985 New York Times article reads, "We accepted it as part of sports, and it shouldn't have been. Pelle didn't do anything I didn't do... I probably didn't have a teammate who didn't do what he did. We'll put some rules in now... too late."**

**Let us pause and reflect on Pelle, and as the 40th anniversary approaches, let us remember and celebrate him. Hopefully, the Flyers will do what is ultimately right by the man, his family, and the fans.**

**Ronald Cristando,  
Fan**





## **FLYERS FAN CLUB AT THE BANK 7/26/24**

**BY: BARBARA KINTZER**

**What a great night to go to the ballgame! It was extra special as it was Trea Turner Bobblehead Night. The evening was extremely hot—except for the Phillies' bats.**

**We had really good seats in the outfield, right off the concourse. Our group of over 20 people sat together, and even our youngest member, Mike Emery's son Jack, who's about 2 and a half, had a great time. He was the best-behaved member there. I also must say he's quite the flirt with the older crowd, with Mike Sides' teenage daughter as his latest "conquest."**

**We were conveniently close to the concession stands and restrooms.**

**Misti was very sweet, bringing some little snacks that were passed around. And, as usual, our Louie came late—and by late, I mean the bottom of the 4th inning.**

**The only thing that would have made the night better would have been a Phillies win. If we plan another game next season, I suggest you come out and join us.**

**We had a great time!**

**Barbara Kintzer,**

**Fan**







## **FAN CLUB CONVENTION 2024**

**BY: BARBARA KINTZER**

**Every year since 1971, booster clubs have gathered in August to connect with fellow hockey lovers. The only exceptions were 2020 and 2021 because of COVID. I've been attending since 1989 to catch up with old friends I've made and to make new ones. It's not what you might think—there's really no friction between the clubs. It's our love of hockey that makes us such good friends, really more like family.**



**The event originally ran just from Friday through Sunday, but now most people come as early as the Sunday before. There are trips you can book if you arrive early. This year, those trips included the Grand Ole Opry, a city tour, a bus trip to the Jack Daniel's distillery, a river cruise, and a pub crawl. And there's always the chance to catch a ball game in town.**

**During the week, we have a hospitality room where everyone can gather to enjoy snacks and drinks, work on puzzles, play Mexican Train, talk, or just relax. This year, as she has done in the past, our Cry Harm made a hockey quilt, which was auctioned off. There are also daily 50/50 raffles—I finally won one! There's also a special 50/50 raffle for next year's 3-day convention package.**



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## FAN CLUB CONVENTION 2024

BY: BARBARA KINTZER

The theme for Friday night was country western, so we were decked out in jeans, cowboy hats, flannel shirts, boots, or whatever fit the theme. It was a great dinner followed by one of the best DJs ever—the dance floor was packed. Saturday morning, there's a general meeting after breakfast where we get updates on all the clubs' activities, like charities, trips, and more.



Saturday night was Jersey Night, and after another delicious dinner, our fantastic DJ returned to keep the party going. When the music comes to an end, we all gather in a huge circle, lock arms, and sing "That's What Friends Are For." The love in that big circle is incredible. Sunday morning brings breakfast and sad goodbyes until next year. If you choose to stay another night, we gather once more to have dinner together before saying farewell.

Going home is always bittersweet, leaving this great family of ours.

Hope you join us next year in Pittsburgh!

Barbara Kintzer,

Fan



# **THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED**

**BY: JENNIFER BRECKOW**



**The road less traveled has always been the Philadelphia Flyers way from the beginning. You can never count them out, whether they come back checking hard, scoring, or even with a fight or two. The spirited players have been the backbone of the team, and the fans love it. Each season has its own dynamic that keeps the fans on the edge of their seats. However, the Philadelphia fans have always been the roughest fans in the league, regardless of the sport, but we are the most passionate. The boos, the cheers, and the chanting all in one game just prove this fact. This season has not been going as the fans would like it but there is still plenty of time for it to turn around. Just remember that the wins will come and the road less traveled will not be so rocky. The road less traveled is the way it will always be, and the fans will always enjoy that ride.**

**NOW.....LET'S GO!!!!!!! WE GOT THIS.**



## JUST ANOTHER DAY IN JULY WITH THE PFFC

BY: LOU MILANO

Ya really think???? Not with our PFFC. 7/6/24, thanks to Pres. Misti Love approx. 10 people (Mike Emery, his daughter Bella, Alan Ellis, yours truly, our host Misti and Tim Love and a few others) partook in a day at the Camden Aquarium. There were a couple trips there when we hosted the NHLBGC Convention in 2007 and 2018, but I've never been personally. Wow, what a place!! It had EVERYTHING! Food, films, exhibits and more. I didn't realize but almost every food group was there!! Of course, I had to partake in the PIZZA (not bad). The fish were right up against everyone which was really cool, but I have to admit a thumper went through me as I went through the shark exhibit. You know one wrong move and .....

It was great seeing all the exhibits and everything. The films were very interesting, and I was able to keep up which is always well, tough. We stayed there HOURS and I even bought something in the Gift Shop which was HUGE (are you listening WFC...). We all spent a fun Day but the place closed at 5P so most people would have called it a day. NOT THE PFFC.. Read on...

There was a Flyers Rookie game at the Flyers Skate, oops Training Center which we attended (no, Michie wasn't there yet) and it was a BLAST! It was great for Bella Emery (Mike's daughter) to see the team she'll root for as she gets older. The game was great, and we didn't care who won. Imagine it, NHL Hockey in July (never mind 2020)!! The game lasted a few hours and by the time it was done everyone had a GREAT DAY! I feel more days like this with the PFFC are coming. Why not join!!!! Thanks to Misti and Tim Love for planning the event.  
**JUSY ANOTHER DAY WITH THE PFFC!!**



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**COME ON THE ROAD WITH US TO CHEER ON  
THE FLYERS**

**Anaheim 12/28/24  
NY Rangers 1/23/25**

**Utah 2/4/25**

**PHANTOMS ROAD TRIP 3/16/25**

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# PUCK PUZZLE

NHL ARENAS TYPICALLY SEAT 17,000 TO 19,000 FANS, BUT THERE'S ONE THAT HAS A CAPACITY OVER 21,000. TO FIND OUT WHICH ONE IT IS, FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE NAMES OF 10 OTHER BUILDINGS. THE BIG ONE WILL APPEAR IN THE RED SQUARES

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# 2024-2025 PHILDELPHIA FLYERS REGULAR SEASON SCHEDULE (ALL TIMES EASTERN)

Fri, Oct 11	@ <u>Vancouver</u>	W3-2 SO	Tue, Jan 9	vs <u>Dallas</u>	7:00 PM
Sat, Oct 12	@ <u>Calgary</u>	L6-3	Thu, Jan 11	vs <u>Anaheim</u>	7:00 PM
Tue, Oct 15	@ <u>Edmonton</u>	L4-3 OT	Sat, Jan 13	vs <u>Florida</u>	7:00 PM
Thu, Oct 17	@ <u>Seattle</u>	L6-4	Sun, Jan 14	@ <u>Columbus</u>	7:00 PM
Sat, Oct 19	vs <u>Vancouver</u>	L3-0	Tue, Jan 16	@ <u>New York</u>	7:30 PM
Tue, Oct 22	vs <u>Washington</u>	L4-1	Thu, Jan 18	@ <u>New Jersey</u>	12:30 PM
Wed, Oct 23	@ <u>Washington</u>	L6-3	Sun, Jan 21	vs <u>Detroit</u>	7:00 PM
Sat, Oct 26	vs <u>Minnesota</u>	W7-5	Tue, Jan 23	@ <u>New York</u>	7:00 PM
Sun, Oct 27	vs <u>Montreal</u>	L4-3	Wed, Jan 24	@ <u>New York</u>	7:30 PM
Tue, Oct 29	@ <u>Boston</u>	W2-0	Sat, Jan 27	vs <u>New Jersey</u>	7:00 PM
Thu, Oct 31	vs <u>St. Louis</u>	W2-1	Mon, Jan 29	@ <u>New Jersey</u>	7:00 PM
Sat, Nov 2	vs <u>Boston</u>	L3-0	Tue, Jan 30	vs <u>New York</u>	7:30 PM
Tue, Nov 5	@ <u>Carolina</u>	L6-4	Fri, Feb 2	@ <u>Colorado</u>	3:00 PM
Thu, Nov 7	@ <u>Tampa Bay</u>	W2-1	Sun, Feb 4	@ <u>Utah</u>	9:00 PM
Sat, Nov 9	@ <u>Florida</u>	6:00 PM	Tue, Feb 6	vs <u>Washington</u>	7:00 PM
Mon, Nov 11	vs <u>San Jose</u>	7:00 PM	Thu, Feb 8	vs <u>Pittsburgh</u>	7:00 PM
Thu, Nov 14	@ <u>Ottawa</u>	7:00 PM	Thu, Feb 22	vs <u>Edmonton</u>	1:00 PM
Sat, Nov 16	vs <u>Buffalo</u>	7:00 PM	Sun, Feb 25	vs <u>Pittsburgh</u>	7:00 PM
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Wed, Nov 20	vs <u>Carolina</u>	7:30 PM	Fri, Mar 1	@ <u>Winnipeg</u>	7:00 PM
Sat, Nov 23	vs <u>Chicago</u>	1:00 PM	Mon, Mar 4	vs <u>Calgary</u>	7:00 PM
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Sun, Jan 7	vs <u>Toronto</u>	7:30 PM	Wed, Apr 17	@ <u>Buffalo</u>	7:00 PM



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