



THE PUCK

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS FAN CLUB

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

It would like to thank you all again for being a part of our crazy group. We have had an exciting beginning to the season with Gritty Run, JJ, Christmas party and maybe the best part so far, Sam Ersson. Gave out our first scholarships to two VERY deserving kids. So many things to look forward to with Carnival, watch parties, ticket drops, pic on ice and some really special guests!! Check out the dates in this edition of the PUCK.

We are coming up on 4 Nations. I don't know how you feel but I always have mixed feelings with in-season tournament play. It's more important to me to see our players on our ice as well as not being able to get the rest and risk injury. It's also an honor so there's that. The trade deadline is coming. How do you all feel about that? I don't see a lot of change coming at that time.

How much fun is the 27/10/71 line? Cates is such a great two-way player. Ersson has gotten seemingly back in his groove. Looks like they have finally decided on who the backup goalie is, which is great so now Kolosov can get some work in AHL. Special teams is always a challenge. Michkov is trying to figure it out. Going to be some ride to the end of the regular season. They don't quit and maybe just maybe that's gets them over that line. See you all soon!!

**Misti Love
President PFFC**



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FAN CLUB MEETING

Special Guest | Steve Coates

February 13th, 2025 @ 6:45

The Courtyard Marriott Navy Yard

1001 Interpid Ave

Philadelphia, PA

**Visit the Fan Club
table behind section
108 to pick up your
tickets for a signed
Errson Jersey
\$5 Each
\$10 for 3
Drawing Apr. 12th
2025**



**Thanks to everyone who signed up to
volunteer for the Carnival on Feb 23!**

**Make sure to check out the PFFC table
and sign up for the raffle of another
amazing quilt made by Crys Harm!**

**Interested in the first goal pool?
email Alan @ eeya30@yahoo.com or
George @ geo1ter@comcast.net**



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Winter 2024 MATVEI MICHKOV JERSEY RAFFLE
WINNER

**Congratulations to
Sharon Caine for being
the Winter 2024 ticket
winner for the signed
Matvei Michkov
Jersey!!!!**

**Thank you to everyone who
entered to win!**



Watch Parties @ 2SP Brewing

**Join us on March 1st, 6:15p - 10 pm to watch the
Flyers face the Winnipeg Jets and on March 23rd from
2pm - 6 pm against the Chicago Blackhawks**

2SP Brewing Company

120 Concord Rd #101-103 Aston, Pa.

Special guests other surprises!!



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PHANTOMS ROAD GAME: 3/16/25 3:05 PM

Join the PFFC as we venture to Lehigh Valley to watch the Phantoms battle the Wilkes Barre Scranton Penguins!! With the game in mid-March and playoff seeding forming this promises to be a great game you won't want to miss!! Plus, a game at PPL Arena is always fun, and IMHO, the hot dogs are GREAT! And for your coffee and donut lovers, the arena is attached to Tim Horton's!!

As of now this is a game tickets trip only but if we get 20 people, we'll hire a bus (at an additional cost). Game tickets are \$35.00 per tix. and we'll be seated in our own private section! More info. on the bus will be available when we have (hopefully) 20 people.

**To register for the trip, more info. or any questions:
Lou Milano, 609.922.2234 (text) or Lmstut@comcast.net**

2024 NHLBC Convention

This year the NHLBC convention will be held In Pittsburgh, PA August 8-10. Prices vary depending on the length of your stay, room size, and any pre-convention trips (if you choose any). To find out more Information please reach out or check-out:

www.nhlbcc.org

PFFC Members Game

**Stay tuned for upcoming ticket drops with the opportunity to get your picture taken on the ice.
Don't miss this unique opportunity!**

FLYERS AND THE COMMUNITY

BY: NINA & JOHN McCULLOUGH



This December 2024 contained a Friday the 13th. This harkens back memories from 5 years ago when December 2019 also included a Friday the 13th. On this date, club member John McCullough underwent brain surgery at CHOP to remove a tumor discovered the day prior. He was only 11 years old at the time and faced this challenge with great resilience and courage. A shout out to the amazing nurses, doctors, and child life specialists at CHOP as they are truly amazing people.

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Now you may be wondering why this article is in the Flyers Fan Club newsletter. This is because John was released 5 days later from the hospital after having brain surgery and on his way out, we happened to stumble across members of the 2019 Flyers Hockey team doing a visit to CHOP. The player's childlike spirit shown bright as that sat and colored with the kids, signed autographs, and just had conversations with the children at CHOP. John had tickets to go to the Flyers game the evening prior but had to settle for cheering on the team from his hospital bed.



Upon hearing this, the players invited him to come out to the next evenings game. The players, every one of them, were genuinely kind human beings and had great interactions with the children.



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Something that may only be an event date on the calendar, truly changes the narrative to those on the receiving end. Instead of calling people to let them know he was out of the hospital after having brain surgery, John was calling people to let them know he met the Flyers and they invited him to a game.

You may have seen the Flyers posting about their most recent visit to CHOP this December. It is wonderful to see that this tradition continues. We hope this article helps to share how impactful the Flyers Community Outreach is. And as for John, he is the tall teenager you may have seen at meetings. He had a secondary brain surgery since the one mentioned in this article but since then all scans are beautiful and he is doing well.

NINA & JOHN McCULLOUGH



TWO TEAMS WITH THE SAME GOAL
BOSTON BRUINS vs PHILADELPHIA FLYERS
DECEMBER 7, 2024
BY: JENNIFER BRECKOW

As many games are going on with the league, many of us fans think about the Stanley Cup rising over the players' head of our favorite team. This fan would like it sooner than later, but knows that at the end of the day, we also say "We will get them next year". Hope is always there even until the final game. All fans, despite the crest on their jerseys, want to see the Stanley cup with their team. It has been 50 years since the Philadelphia Flyers have won the Stanley cup. Some of us have never seen the excitement of what the cup feels like to have in our arena and dream that day is here. What this writer does know is the passion of the fans of their favorite team no matter what the crest is.

Boston has been known for "the hockey town" of all towns and the first American team to join the NHL. Although they have not won the Stanley cup since 2011, the passion of their fans is the same as the Philadelphia Flyers' fans...we all want the cup with our team. It was a passionate, high spirited, gritty kind of game and we both got a point. Their fans might not have been the most pleasant to be around wearing the opposition's jersey on their home arena; they were just like any other fans supporting their team with the same goal. The same goal is that "we want the cup." Wins and losses are all part of the game, but what truly matters are the points. It is always better to have one point than none, however, two points is the goal.



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TWO TEAMS WITH THE SAME GOAL **BOSTON BRUINS vs PHILADELPHIA FLYERS**

DECEMBER 7, 2024

BY: JENNIFER BRECKOW

This game had it all...hard checking, goals, penalties, even a few friendly and not so friendly conversations. The chants “ref you suck” could be heard throughout the stadium (and here I thought it was just a Philly thing, but it is “ref” thing). Both teams’ fans were on the edge of their seats during the whole game. When the buzzer sounded, both teams had hope for the win. The fans for both teams were hoping for the extra point. It was “tit for tat” kind of game and we all loved it. It was a good game not just to watch in person, but it was also a good game to watch. There is nothing like a Philadelphia Flyers vs Boston Bruins game. This battle might be done for this regular season but this match up would be a great playoff bracket to have. The hope is still alive.

We might have lost this battle in overtime, but it was a notable game for two distinguished players. First, it was our captain Sean Couturier’s 32 nd birthday. “Happy Birthday, Coots!!!” Our captain has always been a Philadelphia Flyer and will be in our hearts. He shares his own passion amongst his fellow teammates and fans. He has always been an amazing player to watch play the game. Second, it was our alternate captain Travis Sanheim’s 200 th NHL point. “Congratulations Sanny!!!!” It was truly amazing to be in person watching this milestone happen in his tenure with the Philadelphia Flyers. From the moment from the Draft of 2014 until now with this milestone, it has been an honor to watch his skills grow.



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PFFC CHRISTMAS (HOLIDAY) PARTY 12/18/24

BY: LOU MILANO

Approx. 50 people gathered for the annual gathering and a great time was had by everyone! The evening began with our special Guest, Brian Propp! He brought his new book which were gobbled up by our members. Many of our guests were able to take pics with him. I've read half the book and it's quite interesting.

After everyone gobbled all the great food; not to mention Tim Love's GREAT Wings, Angie Szczepaniak's great brownies, Mike Sides' great pasta and potato salad, Misti's great baked goods, the great Veggie tray from Emery, great soft pretzels from Alan E. among other GREAT treats from everyone! And thank you George and Terry Flunt for Alan Ellis and my birthday cakes (FYI Alan's bday is 12/16 and mine is the 15 th). Between the laughing and Pollyana it was a great time (and there wasn't even a game on TV). Lauren Hart and the Flyers Nitty Gritty group were talking to people at the bar. They were even giving gift cards to people; very gracious.

Then came dessert (well, you know....) and everyone succumbed to brownies and cakes. Not a great night for Lou and his Dr. but it WAS delicious!!

Then came the gifts, some of them were unique, some really useful. I exchanged my gift for a car vacuum (if you've seen my car you'll know why).

A special thanks to the Flyers for the use of the club and to our PFFC Pres. Misti Love for arranging the party. A great time was had by all. Make plans to attend the party next season. It's a GREAT time and will only cost you (an average of) \$20.00 to join the club. WELL WORTH IT!!

**A DATE THAT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS vs DETROIT RED WINGS
DECEMBER 12, 2024
BY: JENNIFER BRECKOW**



On this date, I was listening to the broadcast of the above-captioned game as I was in the Salt Lake City Airport while waiting for the boarding process to begin for the flight back to Philadelphia. As I was listening to the broadcast via the NHL listening option on the app, Laughton had the most memorable game of his career and ended the game with a “4 boom” night.

Yes, you could hear me in the terminal as each of those goals were scored. As everyone was looking at me, I just said “I am listening to a hockey game and one of my players just scored.” The second goal scored by Mr. Laughton was his 100th NHL goal scored in his career. He was the only one player scoring 4 goals in a game since 2002. Laughton’s third goal was an empty netter, but there I am still in the Salt Lake City Airport throwing my hat off for Laughton’s hat trick. Who said that you could only throw a hat down onto the ice? Remembering “Bra Lady” now...lol. However, I still threw my hat, but it was given back to me because the person handing it back to me knew nothing about ice hockey.

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When Scott Laughton scored 4 goals in one game, it tied the Flyers record for goals scored in a game and was the first 4 goal game by a Flyer since John LeClair on October 15, 2002. CONGRADULATIONS!!!! Scott Laughton on your 100th career goal and tied the record for most goals scored in a game by a single player.



This game was also a great night for Owen Tippett. Owen Tippett hit one of his milestones in the NHL. his game was Mr. Tippett's 300th NHL game played in his career. As some people might not know that Mr. Tippett was drafted in 2017 by the Florida Panthers where he spent 3 seasons with them.



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In the 2021-2022 season, the Philadelphia Flyers traded for him and sent longtime captain Claude Giroux to the Florida Panthers. Owen Tippett's time here with the Philadelphia Flyers has been better than expected and has been playing extremely well for the fans. Owen Tippett showed the fans that he was here to stay and proven that time again that he wanted to be here to play.

CONGRADULATIONS!!!!!! Owen Tippett on your 300th NHL career game played.

JENNIFER BRECKOW



KIDS CORNER

I had my first experience being a Mite on Ice at the Flyers game. They were playing the New Jersey Devils. At the first intermission, I went to the locker room with my team to get ready to play. Bob Kelly came into the locker room to talk to us and said to have fun. At the second intermission I was so pumped up to go onto the ice. Our coaches told us to skate hard and have fun. The game ended in a 0-0 tie. I really hoped to be the Mite on the Ice, but another team member was selected. I really enjoyed playing on the Flyers ice!

Dominic

age 8

Garnet Valley





WORD SEARCH

1970s Top Snipers

These players found the twine most often from '70-'71 to '79-'80. Can you find them?

R P E R Q A R P U M
 N P E S A Y Y P N A
 H L R R P T P I G R
 A R I O R O E Q E T
 D I O N N E S L R I
 S P L B N O A I L N
 M Z M R F Z V U T E
 S I T T L E R O L O
 J L A F L E U R S T
 G O L E A C H X G T

Esposito
Lafleur
Dionne
Martin

Perreault
Pronovost
Sittler
Ratelle

Unger
Leach



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

Fri, Oct 11	@Vancouver	W3-2 SO	Thu, Jan 9	vsDallas	L4-1
Sat, Oct 12	@Calgary	L6-3	Sat, Jan 11	vsAnaheim	W6-0
Tue, Oct 15	@Edmonton	L4-3 OT	Mon, Jan 13	vsFlorida	W4-3
Thu, Oct 17	@Seattle	L6-4	Tue, Jan 14	@Columbus	L3-2 SO
Sat, Oct 19	vsVancouver	L3-0	Thu, Jan 16	@New York	W5-3
Tue, Oct 22	vsWashington	L4-1	Sat, Jan 18	@New Jersey	W3-1
Wed, Oct 23	@Washington	L6-3	Tue, Jan 21	vsDetroit	W2-1 OT
Sat, Oct 26	vsMinnesota	W7-5	Thu, Jan 23	@New York	L6-1
Sun, Oct 27	vsMontreal	L4-3	Fri, Jan 24	@New York	L3-1
Tue, Oct 29	@Boston	W2-0	Mon, Jan 27	vsNew Jersey	W4-2
Thu, Oct 31	vsSt. Louis	W2-1	Wed, Jan 29	@New Jersey	L5-0
Sat, Nov 2	vsBoston	L3-0	Thu, Jan 30	vsNew York	L3-0
Tue, Nov 5	@Carolina	L6-4	Sun, Feb 2	@Colorado	3:00 PM
Thu, Nov 7	@Tampa Bay	W2-1 SO	Tue, Feb 4	@Utah	9:00 PM
Sat, Nov 9	@Florida	L4-3 SO	Thu, Feb 6	vsWashington	7:00 PM
Mon, Nov 11	vsSan Jose	W4-3 SO	Sat, Feb 8	vsPittsburgh	7:00 PM
Thu, Nov 14	@Ottawa	W5-4 OT	Sat, Feb 22	vsEdmonton	1:00 PM
Sat, Nov 16	vsBuffalo	W5-2	Sun, Feb 25	vsPittsburgh	7:00 PM
Mon, Nov 18	vsColorado	L3-2	Tue, Feb 27	@Pittsburgh	7:00 PM
Wed, Nov 20	vsCarolina	L4-1	Sat, Mar 1	@Winnipeg	7:00 PM
Sat, Nov 23	vsChicago	W3-2 OT	Tue, Mar 4	vsCalgary	7:00 PM
Mon, Nov 25	vsVegas	L5-4 SO	Thu, Mar 6	vsWinnipeg	7:00 PM
Wed, Nov 27	@Nashville	W3-2 OT	Sat, Mar 8	vsSeattle	12:30 PM
Fri, Nov 29	vsNew York	W3-1	Sun, Mar 9	vsNew Jersey	1:00 PM
Sat, Nov 30	@St. Louis	W3-2 OT	Tue, Mar 11	vsOttawa	7:00 PM
Thu, Dec 5	vsFlorida	L7-5	Thu, Mar 13	vsTampa Bay	7:00 PM
Sat, Dec 7	@Boston	L4-3 OT	Sat, Mar 15	vsCarolina	7:00 PM
Sun, Dec 8	vsUtah	L4-2	Mon, Mar 17	@Tampa Bay	7:00 PM
Tue, Dec 10	@Columbus	W5-3	Thu, Mar 20	@Washington	7:00 PM
Thu, Dec 12	vsDetroit	W4-1	Sat, Mar 22	@Dallas	2:00 PM
Sat, Dec 14	@Minnesota	L4-1	Sun, Mar 23	@Chicago	3:00 PM
Wed, Dec 18	@Detroit	L6-4	Thu, Mar 25	@Toronto	7:00 PM
Thu, Dec 19	vsLos Angeles	L7-3	Thu, Mar 27	vsMontreal	7:00 PM
Sat, Dec 21	vsColumbus	W5-4 OT	Sat, Mar 29	vsBuffalo	1:00 PM
Mon, Dec 23	@Pittsburgh	L7-3	Mon, Mar 31	vsNashville	7:00 PM
Sat, Dec 28	@Anaheim	W3-1	Sat, Apr 5	@Montreal	7:00 PM
Sun, Dec 29	@Los Angeles	L5-4	Wed, Apr 9	@New York	7:30 PM
Tue, Dec 31	@San Jose	W4-0	Sat, Apr 12	vsNew York	12:30 PM
Tue, Jan 2	@Vegas	L5-2	Sun, Apr 13	@Ottawa	1:00 PM
Fri, Jan 5	@Toronto	L3-2 OT	Tue, Apr 15	vsColumbus	7:00 PM
Tue, Jan 7	vsToronto	L3-2	Thu, Apr 17	@Buffalo	7:00 PM



PHILADELPHIA FLYERS FAN CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete a separate form per individual or family. Print ALL information clearly and completely.

Date: _____ Check ONE box for MEMBER STATUS

<input type="checkbox"/>	NEW member or family
<input type="checkbox"/>	Renew member or family (member ID _____)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10 – Senior (55 & over)
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$5 – Junior (under 18 with accompanying adult)

Complete ADDRESS (one address per individual or family)

Number and Street Name	
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State	
Zip	
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Full name	Birthdate (mm/day/yr)	Email Address

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