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Letter from Our President

Yahoo!! Hockey season is almost here!!

What an exciting time, new coach, new players, and new jerseys!

We also have new officers in place with the fan club and they are bringing a lot of new ideas with them!

I would like to take a moment and thank our former board President Gerry Hill, Vice Presidents Belinda Hanley and Dean Hoffman for their service and contributions to the board and fan club. I hope they will remain actively involved as they have been in the past!

A special thank you to our returning board members, I appreciate your help and support during the transition period!!

I would like to welcome back past members as well as welcome our new members! I hope all will be actively involved; this past season was amazing with amount of members being and /or getting involved!

We have our usual schedule of events this season, Louise and I were able to meet with coach Tad and get the dates locked in early so we won't have conflicts with other events the team may have scheduled! We always need for help with our events, you all have ideas, we want to hear them!

I hope to see everyone at our first general meeting and packing party for the players apartments! I think you will like the new ideas that we will announce at this meeting!

Thank you again to SCFD for allowing us to use their station on Ben Hill Griffin.

**Remember we are the team behind the team!
GO BLADES!!**

Fan Club News

Membership Is Due.

Please renew your membership by sending your application and your renewal fee of \$25 for Individual and \$ 35 for a Family. You can print the application from our website under the Join now link...Be sure to have all your current information on the application or any changes you have made during this past season as we update our information for the upcoming season.

Please send your membership fee and applications to: Florida Everblades Fan Club, 11000 Everblades Pkwy., Estero, FL 33928

Family = Adult Members + Their Children Under 18, Living In The Same Domicile.
Individual - Adult Member 18 Years Old and Over...

Apartment Set-up Help Needed

Apartment set-up is due to begin the last weekend of September 23 to 25th. If you are interested in helping with apartments please send an email to
Louise Festa
louiseF0522@gmail.com

Raffle Table Help Wanted

We are in need of help running our raffle table for the upcoming season. Please contact Joyce Rakoski (nails0624@aol.com) or Marie Schmitt (twinfla@aol.com) with dates you might be interested in helping.

Meet N Greet

Our meet n Greet with the players will be on **October 30th** at Fountain Lakes. We will be having a Halloween theme. Costumes are “optional” they must be child friendly, more info to come!



Bus Trip

On March 10th – March 13rd Gary Go Blades will be bringing fans on his annual bus trip to Greenville and Charleston to cheer on our team. The bus trip is one of best trips you will ever take! You meet new people and get to cheer on your favorite team. If you are interested in signing up for this season’s trip, contact Gary Go Blades at garygoblades1@comcast.net.

Around The Rink:

Big welcome goes out to our new Head Coach Brad Ralph, who joins us from the ECHL Idaho Steelheads. Congratulations to Tad O’Had on making his move from Assistant Coach to Associate Head Coach. Let us all make our new Coach feel welcome and say congratulations to Coach O’Had...

In August, the Everblades held a free agent camp to check out the up and coming talent. 50 players from all over the world, which included 5 local players from FGCU and the Junior Everblades. We want to wish them best of luck in where ever they career takes them...

ECHL JAMBOREE

Our 2015 – 2016 ECHL jamboree was hosted by Kalamazoo, MI during the month of July. Three lovely ladies & one grumpy wise guy (Louise & John Festa, Belinda Hanley, and Suzanna Navarro) represented the Florida Everblades Fan Club. They enjoyed getting together with other teams' fan/booster clubs to share some new ideas for raising money and supporting our players. Our 2016- 2017 season Jamboree will be held in Greenville, SC. Let's see if we can't get a group together to go to support our club..



Hockey Fact of the Month

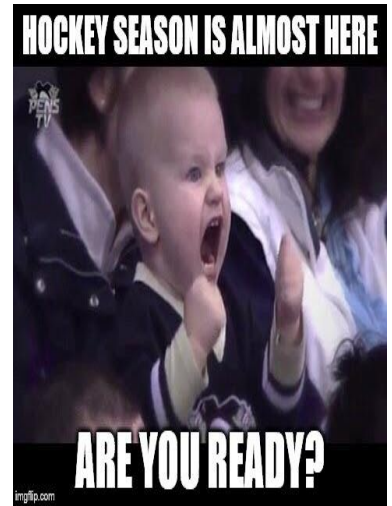
Doctors in British Columbia are banned from talking about anything hockey related during surgery



Committee Chairs

Want to get involved? These are the folks to ask
Check in at the Fan Club Table or give them a call.

Apartment Supplies -	Louise Festa - 825-4205
Membership -	Cathy Maley 565-3765
Newsletter -	Courtney Maley 222-0241
Buttons pins/Trans. -	Belinda Hanley - 851-0871
Raffle Tables -	Joyce Rakoski 293-4448 or Marie Schmitt 994-3162
Road Supplies -	Sue & Vic Hewitt 462-2884
Special Events -	Suzanna Navarro - 404-1997
Hospitality -	Carol Grubbs 571-4236
Website -	Bob Uroda - 495-0871
Shop w/Scrip	Ed Howell 462-8300



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Mission Statement

We, the members of the Florida Everblades Fan Club, are committed to act in a Professional manner, as a booster organization, in supporting all efforts for the Promotion of professional hockey in Southwest Florida. The objectives of the

Fan Club are to have fun, along with providing a forum for hockey enthusiasts to exchange ideas and have opportunities to enjoy the game of hockey.

Furthermore, the Fan Club will provide support for the members of the Florida Everblades hockey Team and their families

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