



# THE SWAMP GAZETTE

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## 2017-2018 Recap

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Aah, the Kelly cup game, I wish I could be writing about a different scenario. Unfortunately, the game took a horrible turn and ended with Colorado winning. Although Colorado won the cup, we shared a victory by remaining #1 in the league, winning the Eastern Conference, and Coach Ralph being named the "ECHL Coach of Year". We celebrate a team that was willing to paint aprons and serve spaghetti to raise money for our club. In fact, our victory wasn't defined by that game, it was defined by the season and we are the true Champions of the league.

### Board

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# Membership renewal

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 so we can update our information.

Family: adults+ children under 18 living in the same home. Individual: adults 18 yrs & older.

Please send your membership fee and applications to: payable to: Florida Everblades Fan Club. Send to Florida Everblades Fan Club, c/o Louise Festa, FEFC Secretary, 1461 31st Street S.W., Naples, FL 34117

## Apartment clean up

We have completed inventory and packed 11 apartments. For being a winning team, they sure had difficulty with cleanliness! We did approximately 54 loads of laundry including towels, pillows, comforters, pillow cases and sheets. A few apartments had 'clean' linens, freshly washed & folded .. thank you guys (and/or gals)!! We also collected several items the players left behind and will be used for either the raffle table baskets or our fan club member appreciation meeting at the end of the 2018-2019 season. A big round of applause to Louise Festa for all the time and organization in getting the apartment supplies ready for next season. Thank you to all the fan club members who came out and helped Louise with collecting, washing, folding, sorting, cleaning, packing and moving the supplies back to storage.

Several members have asked what items need be replaced every season. Here are some of the items that grow feet or hockey fairies seem to collect season after season.

Beach Towels	Kitchen Towels	Hand Towels	Bath Towels
Shower Curtains	Blankets	Queen Sheets	Twin Sheets
Queen Comforters	Dish Sets	Drinking Glasses	

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# Prize Donations

We are collecting door prize donations towards next season's spaghetti dinner and adult Christmas party with players. We would like the spaghetti dinner items to be a higher value than the Christmas prizes. For Christmas, we will take bath and body works, soaps, candles, hockey items, Christmas items, specialty items, small appliances, games, or anything you feel a player or member would enjoy.

Please contact Belinda Hanley at [starkeaton@aol.com](mailto:starkeaton@aol.com), or Marie Schmitt at [twinfla@aol.com](mailto:twinfla@aol.com) if you have an item, a contact, would like to help collection, or would like to donate towards the Spaghetti Dinner or Christmas party.

# Upcoming Season

We have 10 weeks and approximately 65 days until we drop the puck once again. The Club will be kicking off our season on August 23rd with our 1<sup>st</sup> official fan club general meeting. We would like to congratulate Belinda Hanley and Marie Schmitt on being elected to both our Vice President positions. We are extremely thrilled to have Greg Millis return as our President, Suzanna Navarro as our Treasurer and Louise Festa as our Secretary. Additional Member at Large positions will be appointed. The new Board will be taking office with lots to tackle and need our members to help bring new and fresh ideas to the club, and volunteers for all this new activity.

I can't wait to see you all soon and see what Coach Ralph has in store for our team next season. We can only imagine what our upcoming season is going to be like. Get ready fans, we have a swamp to defend, a team to help become victorious! After all we are the team behind the team!!!!

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# 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 239-825-4205
Membership -	Cathy Maley 239-565-3765
Newsletter -	Courtney Maley 239-222-0241
Buttons pins/Transpntn. -	Belinda Hanley 239-851-0871
Raffle Tables -	Marie Schmitt 994-3162
Road Supplies -	Brain Marge 239-778-4190
Special Events -	Suzanna Navarro 239-404-1997
Hospitality -	Carol Grubbs 239-571-4236
Website -	Bob Uroda 239-495-0871
Shop w/Scrip-	Karen Clarke 302-519-5314
Sponsorships-	Jason Thompson 239-321-4556

## Event Chairperson

**The Fan Club is seeking people to chair our Events (Meet N Greet, Christmas Party, Children's party and Spring Picnic) for this season. If interested, please submit in writing your proposal to include venue, food, itinerary, entertainment, and costs, etc, etc.**

**A chair person is responsible for planning & overseeing the event, reporting to the Board during the planning stage, and final report, seeking volunteers, and making sure all fan club members, players & staff are informed of the upcoming event. It also includes planning menu, decorations and activities.**

### Fan Club Up Coming Events

- Packing Party  
September  
TBD
- LOCKER  
ROOM TOUR  
TBD
- Meet n Greet  
TBD
- Christmas  
Party  
TBD
- Children's  
Party  
TBD
- Spaghetti  
Dinner  
TBD
- Spring Picnic  
TBD

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**Jason Thompson**  
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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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To Our Fan Club Members  
Hockey is more than just a game  
it's a passion, a dedication.  
It draws you in, and never let's  
you go  
Hockey is love,  
Hockey Is Our Life  
here in the Blades Fan Club!

Have you Checked ways to get  
involved!

