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1992 Annual 'Hockey for the Homeless' Tournament contributes to \$128,000 raised for Hurricane Andrew Victims

Charity tourney timely

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Wayne Roustan thought he had a good idea last August when he came up with the Hockey for the Homeless charity tournament in Miami.

Then Hurricane Andrew hit two days later and Roustan knew he had a great idea.

What was supposed to be a modest three-day tournament to raise money for an estimated 6,000 homeless citizens in Florida turned into the Irony of the season for the storm-ravaged state.

When Hurricane Andrew slammed into South Florida Aug. 24, about 250,000 people were left homeless. At its peak, the storm left one out of every 12 dade County residents without a place to live.

As a result, the tournament became not only timely, but more urgent.

"The devastation was unbelievable," said Roustan, the tournament's organizer. "My first thought was that people are going to be too pre-occupied with regrouping their lives to think about some hockey tournament."

"But the spirit of these people is incredible. The tournament was put together in a matter of weeks."

Roustan came up with the idea for the tournament as a prelude to the Oct. 2 NHL exhibition game between the New York Islanders and Hartford Whalers in Miami

"It's important for an ice surface to be skated on, resurfaced, skated on and resurfaced several times to be at its best," Roustan said. So he approached the Icemaker and arena manager and held the tournament on the three days preceding the NHL game.

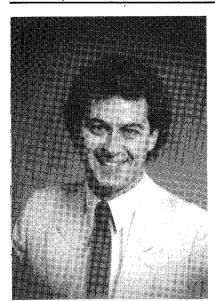
Because proceeds went towards a good cause, the project made a lot of sense.

Roustan, a reporter at radio station WINZ in Miami, also wanted to promote the game of hockey in the state. He grew up in Montreal and said there are many transplanted Canadians and Americans from the Northeastern states who have played hockey and would relish the chance to get on skates and play recreationally again.

The tournament involved six pick-up teams with players paying \$75 each with \$5 charged at the door. Roustan planned to raise \$5,000 from the project but wound up with \$8,300.

Gate receipts totalling almost \$100,000 from the NHL game and a \$20,000 cheque from the Islanders brought the total to \$128,000 going towards the homeless.

"Hopefully this can become an annual event," Roustan said. "Everything became so timely and everything went so smoothly that it would make perfect sense to hold it again. There's still a lot of recovering to do from the hurricane."

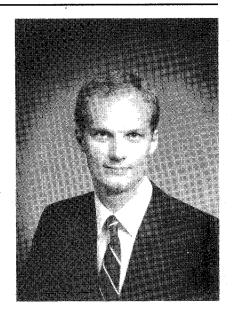


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Wayne Roustan, Executive Director and founder of 'Hockey for the Homeless' is a reporter with WINZ radio and is a goaltender in an amateur league. Wayne has been involved in South Florida hockey for many years and was acknowledged at last year's NHL exhibition game for his efforts in helping to raise \$128,000 for the victims of Hurricane Andrew.



W. Graeme Roustan of Los Angeles,
President of 'Hockey for the Homeless' is in
charge of Corporate and
tournament administration.



FROM THE EDITOR

The HOCKEY FLORIDA Newsletter will be published four times a year. It will keep its readers and players informed about any and all Hockey happenings across the Sunshine State. It will feature stories, statistics, and standings from professional, amateur, inhouse, and tournament games all over Florida. This publication's goal is to become a clearinghouse for any news involving the growth of hockey in Florida, and HOCKEY FLORIDA will grow alongside the sport itself. Contributions and questions are welcome on any hockey-related topic.

We hope to be the first and last word on the fastest team sport in this state. This is YOUR information source. Use it!

PUCK POINTS

Florida has seen its share of Hockey Stars in the past.

- Ex-Blackhawk Bryan Campbell and ex-Flyer & ex-Canuck Rosaire Paiement operate restaurants and hotels in South Florida.
- The Boston Bruins Alumni played a charity game in Sunrise on Feb. 6th, 1989, to raise money for a children's hospital. Among the Bruins: Brad Park, John McKenzie, Johnny Bucyk, Ace Baily, Don Marcotte. Among the All Stars they faced: Henri Richard, Bobby Hull, Lou Angotti, Dave Keon, Rosaire and Wilf Paiement, Bryan Campbell, Danny Geffrion, Dennis Herron, and Mike Eruzione who captained the U.S. Olympic team to a Gold Medal in the 1980 Olympic 'Miracle on Ice.'
- The Philadelphia Flyers held two mid-season practice sessions in Sunrise on Feb. 10th & 11th, in 1992, attracting more than 600 fans.

HOCKEY FOR THE HOMELESS

The extremely successful tournement that raised nearly \$9,000 for the victims of Hurricane Andrew will be repeated in 1993. The overwhelming generosity of the players was one thing, but the sponsors and donors deserve special mention. Foremost among them were MIAMI ARENA, its president Rob Franklin and his superior staff. They were all accomodating, courteous, expert, efficient, and vital to the success of the 1992 tournament. The MIAMI SPORTS and EXHIBITION AUTHORITY, its director William Perry, and most notably Jerry Bernfeld, were absolutely essential to the tournament for without them there would have been no ice, no lights, no scoreboard, no lockerrooms, no nothing at Miami Arena.

1992 PARTICIPANTS...



GREEN: 'The Southern Bell' Team was captained by Tom Hendricks who faced more shots than any other tournament goaltender.



BLACK: The 'Cellular One' Team was captained by John Brueck Jr. who lined up the most sponsors.



WHITE: Former NHLer Rosaire Paiement co-captained this team with Dennis Amatangelo, for the 'Penalty Box Lounge' and 'Raintree Golf Course.'



GOLD: The 'Ambassador Club' Team was captained by George Kangas who logged more miles than any other player to attend the tournament.

...SEE YOU IN '93!

L to R: Larry Olesky, Gary Green, Rosaire Paiement. NHL broadcaster and former Washington Capitals coach Green, is flanked by team captains Olesky and former Philadelphia Flyer, Vancouver Canuck Paiement at Miami Arena.



BLUE: The ultimate Champions of the inaugural 'Hockey for the Homeless' tournament were co-captained by Larry Olesky and Dan Serafini, and co-sponsored by 'Comp-Air' and 'East Side Mario's' restaurant.



RED: The 'Tidal Wave' Team was captained by Anthony Magrino who took his team to the finals.

RED vs BLUE: The "Hockey for the Homeless" Sudden Death Playoff Round was a nail-biter 'til the end. The winning goal was scored with less than three minutes left in regulation time. The Final: 3-1.

FLORIDA HOCKEY HISTORY

SEPT. 24, 1989 The FIRST National Hockey League exhibition game played in Florida featured the then-Minnesota North Stars versus the New Jersey Devils at Orlando's Centraplex. The Devils were the home team on that night and they were not gracious hosts. The Devils won it: 6-4.

DEC. 7, 1989 The NHL Board of Governors met at the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach to announce the NHL would be expanded to 28 teams, adding seven, by the year 2000.

The NHL set a record for attendance, when SEPT. 19, 1990 25,581 hockey fans filled the converted Florida Suncoast Dome baseball stadium to watch the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Los Angeles Kings 5-3 in a pre-season match-up largely credited with helping to bring pro hockey to Tampa Bay.

SEPT. 21, 1990 The NHL played its first-ever hockey game in Miami. The Los Angeles Kings beat the New York Rangers 6-4. More than 15,000 tickets soldout within seven hours.

DEC. 6, 1990 The NHL Board of Governors announce Tampa Bay and Ottawa would be the next cities to join the league.

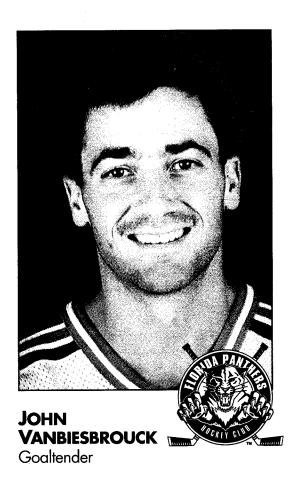
DEC. 9,1992 The FIRST regular season NHL game played in Miami saw the New York Rangers edge the Tampa Bay Lighting 6-5. Rangers goalie John Vanbiesbrouck earned the win. Ironically, six months later, he would become the new Florida Panthers' first pick in the Expansion Draft.

DEC. 10, 1992 The NHL Board of governors announce Miami and Anaheim would be the next teams to join the League. The surprise announcement coming from the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach.

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Sponsors dug deep to help the hurricane homeless through the hockey tournament. Rosaire Paiement and the Penalty Box Resort & Lounge, Dennis Amatangelo and the Raintree Golf Resort, Larry Olesky and Comp-Air Inc., Dan Serafini and East Side Mario's Restaurant, and Southern Bell, Michelson's Inc. Cellular One, M.J. Anderson Inc. and all those individuals who contributed so that an estimated 250,000 hurricane victims could benefit from the love of hockey and the selfless donations of those who play the game.

HOCKEY FOR THE HOMELESS salutes every one of you!.



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Founded in 1992 by Wayne Roustan, "Hockey for the Homeless" was created to meet the needs of those who suffered from Hurricane Andrew in August of that year. Today many people still remain homeless not to mention those that were homeless prior to Andrew. Due to the tremendous success of last year's tournament, we have decided to make the Tournament an annual event here in Miami as well as in other major cities throughout the United States. Today, Hockey for the Homeless is a Not For Profit Florida Corporation with a goal to raise funds for several charities in South Florida.

This year the Florida Panthers will replace the New York Islanders and the Hartford Whalers as the NHL representative at the Hockey for the Homeless tournament. We would like to thank John Vanbiesbrouck for acting as Honorary Chairman for this year's tournament. John has been involved in many charity endeavors during the course of his professional career and now will add one more to his long list of charitable work.

At last year's tournament, we were handing out buttons and flyers in an attempt to attract an NHL expansion franchise. Now that we have a new NHL franchise, we must support the Florida Panthers who support the Hockey For The Homeless Tournament.

If you wish to register as a player for this year's tournament or wish to become an individual or corporate sponsor, please call 305-472-6933 for more information.

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