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### President's Message

We are now a month into the season, so far the team looks good and the boys are working hard to make this another great season. Coach Ralph, Asst. Coach Kallechy and Mr. Brush have brought in a great group of skilled players along with the guys we received from our AHL affiliate the Charlotte Checkers it looks like the team is in good shape.

We held our first team event the Meet N Greet on Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Bridgetown at the Plantation chaired by Karen McKenzie. She did a great job! Look in this issue for more from her on the event.

I would like to welcome Greg Millis as our Liaison with the front office to the board and Ryan Lake as our new board member at large. I believe that they both will be a great asset to the board. Also, welcome to all of our new Fan Club members.

The board is hard at work on our next team event, the adult Christmas Party on December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 that will be held at the Estero Country Club at the Vines.This event is always a great time spent with the team during the Holidays. I hope that most of you will be able to attend. Watch for emails coming soon from Louise.

I hope that everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Well until next time! LET'S GO BLADES!!

**Belinda A Hanley, President** 





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#### *Our adult Christmas party will be here soon!! Get your reservations in!*

Need RSVP, yes or no, by Monday, Dec 9th, payment by Dec 12th to Louise (<u>louisef0522@gmail.com</u> 239-825-4205) Deadline for cancellations is Dec 11<sup>th</sup>,2022 (if you need special arrangements contact Louise for consideration) A yes RSVP requires you to make payment whether you attend or not. Payment can be made cash, check, or zelle (cash at the games, check payable to FEFC (or zelle to louise festa (239-825-4205 / <u>louisef0522@gmail.com</u>)

Mail checks to FEFC, c/o L.Festa 1461 31st Street SW, Naples, FL 34117 This is a full team event, dressy casual (no blue jeans, no hats, no t-shirts), bar will be debit or credit only, no cash Bar opens at 5pm, dinner at 6pm, then onto the fun and gifts!

#### **ESTERO COUNTRY CLUB at The Vines**

SUNDAY, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 5:00pm to 9:00pm COST: \$50 pp (single members are allowed to invite 1 guest at cost of \$50) The Club pay for costs of players, player guests and staff, and players gifts from the Fan Club

#### **BUFFET MENU:**

- Soup, rolls and butter
- Wedge salad with blue cheese or italian dressing
- Prime Rib w/horseradish sauce, Chicken Basil Pesto, Pan seared white fish picatta
- Golden mashed potatoes and market vegetables
- Ice Cream Sundae bar

The food has always been excellent at this venue, we have used them for the past 3 years

Estero Country Club at the Vines (gated community, will need DL at guardhouse)

19501 Vintage Trace Circle Ft Myers, FL 33967 The Vines community is just north of the Walmart & Aldis on RT41, north of Estero Pkwy

If you would like to contribute to the door prizes, contact Belinda Hanley or Karen McKenzie, they are coordinating the door prizes. Sandy Renne is coordinating the activities, contact Sandy if interested in assisting. We will have a decorated Christmas tree with hand signed ornaments (signed by all the players). Members will be given an ornament at the end of the evening, they will be given out randomly, no player selection.

We are also accepting donations for the players gift cards (\$25 each). We will distribute these gift cards to the players & staff with a card that includes only the names of those that donated towards the gift cards. If you are interested? contact Louise

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Thanks for Barbara Bowman, she lives in The Vines, "connected" us with Estero Country Club, & helped to coordinate the menu! THIS IS A FUN EVENING with good food and great people!!

*Louise Festa* Treasurer Florida Everblades Fan Club cell (239) 825-4205 **From you Editor**: I would like to welcome you to the 2022/2023 Season. We have a year to celebrate since it is our 25<sup>th</sup> Season! If you have any information you would like to share in the newsletter, please feel free to contact me. Remember, this is your newsletter so let's make it informative and fun!

We hosted our first FEFC Meet & Greet at Bridgetown at the Plantation on Sunday, November 6, 2022. A great time was had by all! We had food catered by Saucey Meatball which included; rolls, salad, chicken parmigiana and pasta with marina sauce. Our board members donated or made great desserts to go with the meal. We had 112 people join us included 36 players, staff and guests. Thank you for showing your support and coming out to this great event!

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING – Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Old Florida Room 7:00 pm

### FLORIDA EVERBLADES FAN CLUB MISSON STATEMENT

Please go to www.floridaeverbladesfanclub.org

**Upcoming Events** 



**Adult Christmas Party** – Sunday, December 18, 2022 Estero Country Club at the Vines 5-9 pm

**FEFC Quarter Auction** – January 10<sup>th</sup> 2023 at Hertz#1 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Fundraiser

Locker Room Tour - TBD

**Children's Party** – Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 10-1 pm – Kowiachobee Animal Reserve

Player Painting party - TBD OFR @ Hertz

Spaghetti Dinner – Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – Hertz Club

**Spring Picnic** – Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023Estero Park – 10:30 -1:30 pm

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### Getting to know your Florida Everblades

Player Name and Number: CAM JOHNSON #33

Where are you originally from? **TROY**, **MI** 

If you were'nt playing hockey what would you be doing? SALES

What type of music do you like? **EVERYTHING** 

What is your favorite hobby besides hockey? GOLFING

What do you like the best of living in Florida? WEATHER

Where do you like to go? NAPLES, GOLFING

What is your favorite food? TACO BELL

If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go and why? HOME TO SEE MY MOM!

What personal qualities do you have?\_ BIG HEART

What is your favorite animal? CATS

Who is your favorite actor or actress? LEONARDO DICAPRIO

# Remember to Visit your Fan Club Table at the Next Blades Home Game!

We have opportunities to take a "chance" and other goodies to sell!



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