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President's Message

Welcome to all new members that have joined the fan club since our November 2022 Newsletter was published. We are now into the second half of our season. Our beloved Blades are sitting at the top of our division with the second-place team 6pts behind us. The team is doing well at this time. Hopefully they keep moving forward with the wins. These last two games Fitzzy really did shine. Congrats to our team, coaches and staff. For our Fan Club we have been having a lot of success at the Fan Club table with our “Take a Chance” items each game among everything else that we have at the table. Our player buttons are ready for sale at the table @ \$5.00 each.

Remember this is your club so take the time to get involved when you can. Stop by the Fan Club table and ask if you can assist them in anyway. Even if it is just tearing tickets that have been purchased that need to be put in the tumbler. By helping you get to know the people in your club and sometimes you get to meet family of the players that are in town. Hopefully our season will go on long past the middle of April and we will get a lot more exciting hockey.

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

Belinda A Hanley, President



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JOIN US 5th Annual
(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – SEATING LIMITED)
SPAGHETTI DINNER
WITH OUR
EVERBLADES TEAM

SPONSORED BY THE FLORIDA EVERBLADES FAN CLUB,
ALL PROCEEDS ASSIST WITH APARTMENT SUPPLIES & ROAD TRIP SUPPLIES FOR THE TEAM

FEBRUARY 28th, 2023 TUESDAY 5:00pm – 9:00pm
in the HERTZ #1 CLUB and adjoining concourse at HERTZ ARENA

5:00 – 6:00 COCKTAIL HOUR (cash/credit bar) Silent Auction bidding
6:10 – 7:10 DINNER & Silent Auction bidding **FINAL BIDDING 7:15pm**
Dinner served and waited by the Everblades team
7:10 – 7:45 Desserts/Mingle/PHOTOS/ **FINAL BIDDING 7:15pm**
7:45 – 9:00 Silent Auction winners announced, player pix w/winners
SILENT AUCTIONS

**** EVERGLADES theme JERSEYS with GATOR SKATE crest, 25th anniversary patch,
WORN & SIGNED BY PLAYERS
** Bucket hats worn & signed by players
** PLAYER HAND PAINTED CANVAS'**

****CASH / CHECK / CREDIT CARD (+3.0% transaction fee on credit cards)
will be ACCEPTED for SILENT AUCTION PAYMENT**

SEATING IS LIMITED... \$25.00 per person for FAN CLUB MEMBERS
\$30.00 per person for NON FEFC MEMBERS

RESERVE your seats ... RSVP to LOUISE FESTA via **TEXT 239-825-4205**
(leave names, # in party, phone # and/or email for return receipt) OR
or EMAIL louiseF0522@gmail.com OR

SIGN UP & PAY AT OUR FAN CLUB TABLE (Sec. 109-110 on the concourse)

***** *Deadline to RSVP, FEB 16th - PAY BY FEB 20th, 2022***

PAYMENT IS REQUIRED TO CONFIRM YOUR RESERVATION

VISIT US ON OUR WEBSITE and/or FACEBOOK ... FLORIDA EVERBLADES FAN CLUB

This event is a full team event and open to the public. the guys will be serving the dinner, mingling, and will be involved in our Q&A panel... and photos, of course.

We will have a silent auction for 3 different items our specially designed jersey for all players, the players personal paintings, and the hats they will wear, all signed by each.

Last year's jersey was our beach scene with our gator sunbathing! This year's jersey is our gator in his habitat "the swamp" and only available at the spaghetti dinner.

Fan Club member price is \$25pp
Nonmembers \$30pp

Please RSVP to Louise via text or email ... I will add your name(s) to the attendance list but until paid you will not be confirmed.

Bar will be open for soft drinks, wine, beer, and alcoholic beverages, debit/credit

Auction items can be paid with debit, credit card, check or cash

Jerseys: bidding starts at \$250 each, increase at \$25 increments

Art: starts at \$20 each, increments of \$10

Hats: start at \$20, increments of \$5

You can only bid on these items if in attendance at the dinner. Come prepared to get your favorite player's jersey, art or hat!!!

RSVP ... Louise text: 239-825-4205 email: louisef0522@gmail.com

Include all names attending and if you want a "group" table. Payment can be made cash, check, zelle, or debit/credit card.

GET SIGNED UP!! Enjoy an evening with your friends, hockey fans and our team!!

GO BLADES!!

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Louise Festa

Treasurer

[Florida Everblades Fan Club](#)

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A note from your editor – please send any information that you want in the newsletter to Karen McKenzie 586-212-5808 or dkmckenzie2005@comcast.net This is your newsletter so let's make it great!

Sincerely,

Thanks to all those that attended and "worked" our Christmas party this year, everyone made the players comfortable, this party was a "hit"!!
Estero Country Club does a great job in accommodating our needs, the food was good, and the company even better!
The players this season were quite sociable, they loved the activities and gifts that were given to them. Let's make next years event even better! We can always use general membership help in creating, organizing, and working it.... think about it, you have a year to plan ☺ GO BLADES!!

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Louise Festa

Treasurer

Florida Everblades Fan Club





**NEXT GENERAL MEETING –Tuesday, February 21, 2023– Old Florida
Room 7:00 pm**

FLORIDA EVERBLADES FAN CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

Please go to www.floridaeverbladesfanclub.org

PICTURES FROM OUR QUARTER AUCTION

WE RAISED \$2,000 – THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT PARTICIPATED!



**PICTURES FROM THE CHILDREN'S PARTY AT
KOWIACHOBEE ANIMAL RESERVE**





A great time was had by all at the Children's Picnic at Kowiachobee Animal Reserve. The food, animals and company were great. Children and adults went on a tour of the grounds and then we had picnic with six Everblades Players and our staff.

Upcoming Events



Locker Room Tour – TBD

Player Painting party – February 13th, 2023 OFR @ Hertz

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

5-9:00 pm

Spring Picnic – Sunday, March 26th, 2023 Estero Park – 10:30 -1:30 pm

We are always looking for people to help with events! If you would like to volunteer for upcoming events, please let us know!

February 2023



HOME GAMES

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 JAX 7:30	9	10 ORL 7:30	11 ORL 7:00
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 KC 7:30	23	24 KC 7:30	25 KC 7:00
26	27	28				



EVERBLADES BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

BRAD MORRISON 1/4/97
BLAKE WINIECKI 1/10/94
KOBE ROTH 1/11/97
BEN MASELLA 1/12/93
ROBERT CALISTI 1/25/01
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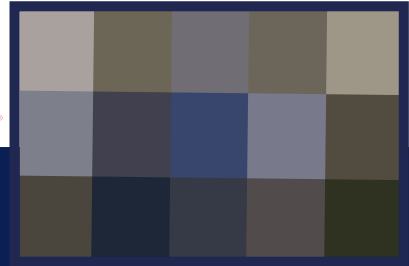
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Getting to know your Florida Everblades

Player Name and Number: **BOBO CARPENTER #19**

Where are you originally from? **BOSTON, MA**

If you weren't playing hockey what would you be doing? **COACHING & STRENGTH TRAINING COACH**

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

What is your favorite hobby besides hockey? **GOLFING, FORTNITE**

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

Where do you like to go? **MY HOME - BOSTON**

What is your favorite food? **BUFFALO CHICKEN**

If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go and why?
BORA BORA – ALWAYS LOVED THE TROPICS

What personal qualities do you have? **LOYAL, ORGANIZED AND DETERMINED**

What is your favorite animal? **DOG AND PENGUINS**

Who is your favorite actor or actress? **SELENA GOMEZ**

**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!**

Support our Affiliates

