



# ***THE WEEKLY BUZZARD***

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Week 3

## **Tale of 2 Goalies**

**Warinanco Park, NJ–November 10, 2006–What a difference a week makes. Last week the dark team couldn't buy a goal and they offered white a lot of money. Week two was 180 degree turnaround and the white team was the team held in check for most of the night's skate. It was one fast game, as both sides skated and moved the puck. The difference in the end, was the dark team's ability to limit white's chances.**

**With that said, many of white's shots that got past Jerry Neilson, ended up bouncing off the clear saran-wrap shield that assisted the victorious goalie. This is an old trick that Neilson has used many times after a bad outing. No one seems to notice and Neilson is crafty how he sets it up and takes it down between periods. You have you give to the veteran netminder, he bounced back with a strong effort after last weeks shellacking by the white team. The old guy was strong, limited rebounds and took advantage of the revamped set of blue liners. Gone was last week's weak link, Vince Cartier, who was moved up to forward by management. Joining defensive stalwarts Ken Snyder and Bobby Pagan were Dean Watters and the new guy who wasn't wearing the official WOTHHC colors.**

**The white team's defense, "The Fearsome Fivesome" as they liked to be called, looked good on paper but had a rough night on the ice. The group of Jack Lenhart, Glenn Davidson, Mark Lee, Paul Kardos & Mitch Lumagui were pressured from the opening tip. Dark's solid fore checking effort and winning the one on one battles along the boards, created most of the dark team's scoring opportunities.**

**White goalie Val Maleckar, he did what he could, but he was continuously being pelted with rubber. The goalie made some great saves, turning away a ton of shots. It was just that his defensemen weren't able to clear the rebounds which seemed to find their way on the dark players sticks. The dejected goalie took the brunt of the loss hard. "I let my guys down tonight, I wasn't as sharp as I needed to be. Dark played well, but it's my job to stop those shots."**

**As well as dark played, white had their chances. Their first line was a good one with Dave Paltjon returning at left wing. Paltjon, skated along with last weeks first star John Markham at center and newcomer Pete "Mr. West Orange" Scolara on the right side. The trio skated hard but couldn't seem to generate any goals from the many shots they put on Nielson. Even with Markham adding another tally and Scolara netting his second goal, the first-line was kept at bay most of the night. The second line centered by the always solid Kevin Kelly seemed to be far more effective in the offensive zone as Scott Marchal and Matt Jagunsak both had goals in their first game of the season. Also scoring for Dark was the goalie turned skater Bob Krause, who is more noted for stopping not scoring goals.**

**The Dark team had another strong effort from their first line of Bill Weiss who netted 4 goals and numerous assists, Carl Roth 2 goals with linemates Joey Marchwinski and Vince Cartier adding to the lines total. The second line of Rich Pollak, Joe Seeman, Ken LaBella and Peter Talias skated well and kept pace with the first line. Again, one the bright spots of the Dark team has been Pagan, who added another goal to the one he had last week. The defenseman has played well on both sides of the line, and seems to know just when to jump into the**

**play.**

**Week Two: Dark has the offense, defense and match.**

**Season to Date: White 1 Dark 1**

**3 Stars: 1<sup>st</sup> Bill Weiss, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Pagan 3<sup>rd</sup> Tie Between Carl Roth & Jerry Neilson**

**GAME NOTES: A mini broo-ha-ha escalated into a war of words in the locker room after the game. White forward John Markham was cited for a double minor for hooking & slashing Pete Tolias. The penalty was called from the Dark bench by referee and keeper of the faith Rick Pollak. At first the aggressive forward admitted to the slashing of Tolias stick, but later his mood and demeanor changed. "My stick was on the ground the whole time. In four years, I have only had but 4 minutes of penalties and I play no different here than I do anywhere." ranted the angry Markham. Markham pleaded with Bill Weiss to support his position. Weiss smirked and wanted to know what was in the Cuban cigars that Markham seems to enjoy when not playing. The Elias Sports Bureau noted that so far this season, the number 4 is magical this season. Bill Weiss is the first player to score four times in a game. It also seems to be Markam's favorite number. His 4 minutes of penalties for the double minor which would have been called if this were a Hockey North America game, were the first officially called penalty minutes of his WOTHHC career, his four assists in last weeks game were a career high. Only thing left for Markham is a four minute mile! Another skirmish happened when white center Kevin Kelly was trying to get on the bench after a shift change. Somehow an errant puck got tangled up his skates in, which Vince Cartier was trying his best to corral. According to Cartier, Kelly wasn't trying to get off the ice and that's when he tried to bulldoze over the tough center (He also commented that White should have been called for too many men on the ice when the puck touched Kelly). Kelly, who didn't even know the puck was between his legs, wasn't too happy with Cartier's actions he and the white players razed Cartier with some tough talk every time he touched the puck. At the end of the game hand-shake, it seemed as if the two had mended their ways, but according to teammate Glenn**

**Davidson, Kelly has a good memory and it's a long season. That battle should prove to be a good one, as both players won't be backing down, that is for sure. Pre-locker room banter centered around the coming of age of the Rutgers Football Team, the late arrival of White Defenseman Glenn Davidson and Cuban Cigars. There are a few Rutgers graduates, one is Kevin Kelly who was seen sporting a Rutgers sweatshirt and fans in the locker room who seem to believe that Rutgers actually has a chance against the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked Louisville Cardinals this weekend. By the time of publication, we will know the score as Rutgers is hosting Louisville on Thursday night. Even though we will know the outcome of the game, being good sports, we support all that's good in New Jersey. I am sure all the members of WOTHHC will be rooting for the Scarlet Knights on Thursday. Go RU! Davidson, the University of Pennsylvania graduate is more known as the group's Mr. Mom. The bearded defenseman is usually an early arrival, but for some reason came very late. During his absence, there was speculation that he might have run into another tree. You could understand the collective sigh of relief as he entered the lockerroom intact. As for the Cuban Cigars, John Markham, the group's quasi cigar aficionado seems to enjoy smoking little Cubans. He is also an underground cigar dealer working the parks and corners of West New York and north Bergen. Rich Pollak, another member who enjoys the oral pacifiers, gladly accepted a sample Cuban that was offered by Markham. This is an age old marketing ploy used by many drug dealers. "If it's not broken, why try to re-create the wheel. It's so easy getting them hooked, and believe me they get hooked" said Markham. Cigarette smoker, Jack Lenhart was also offered one of the Cubans and was adamant in turning the offer down. "I hate the smell of those damn cigars, they stink and really pollute the air! I don't know how anyone can smoke them, they're awful" Players playing in their first game the season included Matt Jagusak, Mitch Lumagui, Dean Watters, Scott Marchal, Carl Roth, Bob Krause, Russ Jones. One Notable missing in action was white center Charlie Snyder, who was north of the border playing with the John Healy All-Stars. Who were those people keeping score in the scorers booth? They seemed to know white defenseman Mark Lee. It made keeping score so easy, wonder if they want to come back? Vince Cartier is pleased to announce that Jim and Cindy O'Neill have donated a Silver Cup to be awarded to the side that wins**

**the most Friday Night Skates. “The O’Neill Cup,” as it will be known, was crafted by the exclusive Gorham Manufacturing Company, a company that was founded in 1831 by Jabez Gorham. They are noted for their sterling and silverplated creations. When asked why they were donating the cup, Cindy O’Neill had this to say. “We are big fans of hockey and we read about the WOTHHC group in the paper last year.”O’Neill went on to say. “Knowing that all of these old geezers are still playing, well, we just wanted to give them something to play for.”**

**The Cup will be unveiled by the O’Neills at the black tie gala celebrating the 35 Years of Friday Night Hockey. Last Weeks OOPS: We mis-spelled Rich Pollak’s name by adding a c. We also didn’t identify Defenseman Bob Pagan as a goal scorer for the white team. White Center John Markam insists that he never raised his arms after any goal on opening night. He also didn’t hook Peter Tolia either. The publishers and editors of The Weekly Buzzard can’t do it alone. We are looking for advertisers or sponsors to underwrite the costs of publication. We would be more than happy to also accept any outside submissions for publication in each weeks edition. No one has any idea what happens in the other locker oom. Does anything ever happen in there beside clothes being change? We want to know! So if you know of anyone who wants to advertise in the Weekly Buzzard, or wants to submit a story please email them care of the editor at [vince.cartier@comcast.net](mailto:vince.cartier@comcast.net) .**

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#### **The Rosters:**

**White: Forwards; John Markham, Dave Paltjon, Kevin Kelly, Peter Scolara, Scott Marchal, Matt Jagusak, Bob Krause. Defense; Jack Lenhart, Glenn Davidson, Mark Lee, Paul Kardos & Mitch Lumagui.**

**Dark: Forwards; Rich Pollak, Peter Tolia, Bill Weiss, Joey Marchwinski Ironman Joey Seeman Vince Cartier, Carl Roth and Ken LaBella &. Defense; Ken Snyder, Bobby Pagan, Dean Watters & New guy not wearing colors**