



# Monsters Chronicle

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### Meeting Notice:

**Monday • 11/7/05 • 7 PM**  
Tsongas Arena Clubroom  
Lowell, MA  
(Use East Entrance)

## Comment's from under the Yellow Hat

**Kevin Doyle**  
*President*

Sad to say that after 40 days and 40 nights of rain, my children had started lining up animals two by two. Now I have two River Rats, two Falcons (who haven't taken their eyes off the rats), two Bruins (both males), two Bears (both females), two Wolves (from the same pack), two Sound Tigers (they are fighting like cats and dogs with the wolves), there are two Penguins on their way (I'm told they live far away). The Senators told me to build an Ark that will be sailed by Pirates who got directions from the Admirals. Now that it has stopped raining, my house looks like a zoo, smells like Verizon Wireless Arena, and I don't know whether I'm home or away!!!!!! Must be hockey season. (note: There were no Lions of any sort lined up for the Ark)

It is in fact hockey season, and if the early returns are any indication, it will be a fast pace high scoring year. Also getting off to a fast paced start is our Club. With the golf tourney in the rear view mirror, a bowl-a-thon in the headlights, and the pot luck dinner at the next intersection there will be plenty of fun to be had by all!!

The Booster Club again did itself proud with another stellar golf outing. This years event was held on October 10th at Amherst Country Club to raise money for our Scholarship Fund, and the Paul Center for Learning and Recreation. The Paul Center runs programs year round for the betterment of

## Home at the Tsongas

**Daniel O'Grady**  
*Editor*

At this point we have played nine games, sit in third place in our division and have a team full of very qualified players. Not a bad start to this Eighth Season of Lock Monsters Hockey!!! It looks like a good match of parent clubs this year with Colorado sharing the franchise with Carolina. Lowell is no stranger to the "shared" franchise but with two years of Calgary here the prior two seasons, it is not at all like the heated days of L.A. and Long Island.

With Head Coach Tom Rowe behind the bench and fellow New Englander Joe Sacco, it looks to be another exciting season of hockey for Lowell fans. For those Lowell fans that can't make it to the games, the B2 Networks Web cast feature is a great way to catch a Lowell game in the comforts of your own home for under \$10. Hope to see everyone out in force this season and GO LOWELL!!!! -Dan O.

handicapped children and their families. Their signature program is Camp Paul, a six week summer camp at their facility in Chelmsford. The Paul Center was more than a benefactor by helping to raise funds for the cause (three hole sponsors, and one cash donation), volunteering, golfing, and connecting us with Mike Balderini of Starbucks on Drum Hill who provided coffee and pastries. Even the weather was beautiful !!

The golf tournament is a wonderful reflection of our Club to the team and front office, as well as to the community. The event that gets put on shows the great effort of the golf committee and the volunteers who work the tournament as well. The committee works nearly year round to provide a well run and successful event. They deserve a great big thank you. Mike Breneman has once again led the way with a tremendous effort. His yearly support consists of many hole sponsors and several four-somes as well. He has been able to provide the Club with a prime raffle prize each year too. When you see him, say thanks!! Tricia Dwornik stepped up to the plate as well, bringing in several hole sponsors, raffle prizes, and many donated items.

Look forward to the Bowl-A-Thon, Pot Luck dinner, more rain and more thank you's in the future.....oh and thank you for reading this!!!

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### By-Laws Update

Voting on the proposed revisions to the Club By-Laws will take place at the November General meeting

## Golfing for Charity

Under some wet conditions, the Sixth LLMBC Charity Golf Tournament took place at the Amherst (NH) Country Club on Monday, October 10th. About 120 golfers and Lock Monsters Team members took to the links at noontime for a day of fun on the golf course to help support the Paul Center for Learning in Chelmsford and the LLMBC Scholarship Fund. Even though the rain was coming down most of the afternoon, it appeared that everyone had a great time and helped raise appx. \$9,000 to be split between the Paul Center and LLMBC Scholarship Fund. An on-ice check presentation to the Paul Center took place at a recent home game.

This year the Booster Club gave all of the golfers a nice burgundy golf pullover which came in handy

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**Lowell Lock Monsters Booster Club • General Meeting Minutes • Monday, October 3, 2005  
Club Room, Tsongas Arena  
Attendance: 38 People**

**Kevin Doyle, President**

Please welcome Kevin Cummings from the Lock Monsters front office.

**Kevin Cummings, President Lowell Lock Monsters**

I am excited to be here. I've been on the job 3-1/2 months now. We're in good shape in terms of ticket sales. Season ticket sales are going well. We have a great fan base, great organization and a great building so please tell your friends about the Lock Monsters. I just want to remind everyone about the B2 Network program in the AHL this year. You can watch games online for \$6. You can also still get the radio broadcast online. Kevin Bartl is working on revamping the website. We do have more marketing resources this season and are also promoting the team through word of mouth. We are working on quality promotional items this season including a special bubblehead. Operationally, we are a month and a half behind schedule as we just filled open staff positions a few weeks ago. We are looking to improve so please email us your suggestions.

**Bob Broadfield, Vice President**

The bus for the Portland trip is no longer available so we will be canceling the road-trip to Portland on November 26th. However, we will be offering group tickets for \$8 if people want to carpool and drive up to Portland themselves for the game. Sign up deadline is November 12th. All other trips are still in the pricing stage. I am still waiting for a call back from the Boston Bruins regarding group tickets against the Hurricanes. Zach from the front office will get Bob contact info. He said he believes that group tickets are \$30 to \$35.

**Laurie Hadamovsky, Secretary**

Please review the meeting minutes from the September meeting. Motion to accept. Seconded & approved. Also, please try to get your membership renewals in. Last year we had over 220 members and we have only received about 75 renewals. So far they are coming in slowly. If you do not renew by November, you will be taken off the membership roster until you renew. Attached to the meeting minutes is an outline of the proposed changes in the by-laws. Please review. We will discuss them in old business. Ilene Tatroe, our Executive Chair, is under the weather today, but did request that I mention a few things for her. The Potluck Supper is Wednesday, November 9th at the VFW Hall on Plain Street in Lowell. It is at Exit 4 off the Lowell Connector. It will run from 6:30 to 9PM. The American Legion Hall in Dracut was not available on the nights that Tom Rowe approved. Ilene is looking for volunteers to help set-up. She will have a sign-up sheet at the booster club table at upcoming games or you can also email her. Last month she asked for pin designs. If you have any, please bring them up to the table at the end of the meeting or email them to her. If there are not any new ones, what the board has been discussing is to use the jersey pin from a few seasons ago but make the jersey red. The white jersey pin was a big seller.

**Mike Breneman, Treasurer**

I have straightened out the checkbook. Beginning balance as of August 31 was \$4,161.30. We had total expenses of \$634 and no charitable contributions last month. We had deposits of \$377.50. Ending balance as of 10/3/05 is \$3904.80. We have \$450 owed in outstanding checks. When paid, it will increase our balance by that amount. Motion to accept. Seconded and approved.

**Old Business**

Golf Committee Update: Kevin states that we are sold out on golfers—over 100 this year. We have about 45 hole sponsors so far and hopefully will have around 50 by the day of the tournament. We are all set on volunteers. All volunteers please be at Amherst Country Club by 9:30AM unless you speak to me. Starbucks of Drum Hill will be donating coffee and danish for breakfast.

By-Law Discussion: The secretary read the outline of proposed changes. Much concern from the members as to why so many are changing. Some members felt that they should have more input. Others felt that we only had to change the by-law article concerning elections since that was the issue that brought this to a head. Kevin states, for instance, the golf committee is not listed as a standing committee on the current by-laws. Laurie states that the golf committee has its own treasurer which is not covered in the current by-laws and that some officers last year did not know what they were getting into so we further defined what the duties of each officer is. Also, concerns from members regarding the new article for a code of conduct. Kevin explained that we need to have a procedure in place in case some problems arise. Kevin asks that everyone review the proposed changes and bring any questions or comments to the next meeting. We will vote on the changes article by article.

Fundraising: Mike Breneman has arranged for a bowl-a-thon at Brunswick Lanes for Thursday November 3rd from 9-11PM. The money raised will be donated to the Red Cross hurricane relief. Sign-up and pledge sheets will be available at the booster club table and on the website. The cost is \$6 and includes shoe rental and 3 strings of bowling. Kris Cormier will look into the Butler Middle School as a recipient of our Box Tops for Education drive. More information will be available at the next meeting.

**New Business**

USHL Gamblers Booster Club—Steve Costa states that the Gamblers Booster Club will be coming to our area sometime in December and asks that we host them somehow. He will get more information on exact dates.

Player Of The Month – None yet.

**50-50 Raffle**

winner, Kevin Doyle

**Next Meeting**

Monday, November 7th at the Club Room

REMINDERS

Booster Club membership cards can be picked up at the Booster Club table behind Section F at all home games.

The November meeting may run a bit longer than usual due to voting on the new Club By-Laws, article by article.

## November Celebrations!



### Birthdays

Bob Blicher  
 Kerri Bruner  
 Robbie Crawson  
 Jim Imbrogna  
 Allison Joyce  
 Richard Milot  
 Douglas Newman  
 Mary Newman  
 Daniel O'Grady  
 Roland Poitras  
 LLM Keith Aucoin

### Anniversaries

Kevin & Sue Doyle

*My apologies if I have forgotten anyone this month. If I have, just email the Editor.*

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with the weather not being too cooperative that day. After an afternoon of golfing and having some great fun, the golfers and Team members were treated to a nice hot buffet dinner, prize ceremony as well as a great raffle afterwards. This year's Tournament winners were Steve Sylvia's group in 1st Place, Bob Roy's group in 2nd Place and Frank Shultz's group in 3rd Place. Chad LaRose came up aces with both the Longest Drive and Closest to the Hole for the hockey players, Great job!!!

All in all, it was an eventful day at the Amherst Country Club and all who were involved should be proud that their efforts have led to raising some much needed funds to benefit two great charities. Marie Masotta, Coordinator of Development & Public Relations for the Paul Center was a great help at the tournament this year. She was able to provide people with information on the organization and how it benefits the community.

With five "dry" tournaments under our belt, this was the first time that the weather really did not cooperate with us. I think that we will have to pray a bit harder to those weather gods in the future. It's a good thing that Amherst has an enclosed pavilion area where dinner was in a nice dry area and the usual speeches and thank you's were made. Some lucky people won some great raffle prizes such as a Team autographed Eric Staal helmet and some great "baskets of cheer."

This tournament took months of planning by the Golf Committee, Chaired by Greg Gibson as well as the commitment of golfers, sponsors, donations and especially the Lock Monsters Organization. Thank you to everyone that was involved!!!!

## Events and Happenings

- ◆ **Bowl-A-Thon: Thur., Nov. 3, 8:30 PM**  
Brunswick Zone - Pawtucket Blvd - Lowell, MA
- ◆ **Booster Club General Meeting: Mon., Nov. 7, 7 PM**  
Tsongas Arena Club Room - Lowell, MA (Use East Entrance)
- ◆ **Pot Luck Supper: Wed., Nov. 9, 6:30 - 9 PM**  
VFW Hall - 190 Plain St - Lowell, MA
- ◆ **Group Outing- LLM Away Game: Sat., Nov. 26, 7:05 game**  
Cumberland County Civic Center - Portland, ME (sign up by Nov 12)

## Booster Club Thoughts and Expressions

Thank you to all members that volunteered their time at the Charity Golf Tournament. We appreciate your help and thank you for helping make this event a great success!!!

Thank you to the LLMBC Golf Committee who's tireless work went into producing another great Golf Tournament. Good work everyone and see you again next year!!!

Thank you to all of our sponsors, item donators and general help that we received for this year's tournament. Thank you to the Lock Monsters Organization for your support!!!

### Come see some NHL action!!!

The Booster Club has group tickets available for the Bruins vs. Carolina game on Saturday, March 18th, 12pm at the TD Banknorth Garden in Boston. Tickets are only \$32 each and there are 24 available for purchase. Please sign up for these tickets today!!!

Catch your Booster Club news at:  
[www.lockmonstersbc.com](http://www.lockmonstersbc.com)  
 and Team news and info. at:  
[www.lockmonsters.com](http://www.lockmonsters.com)

### BUS TRIP

December 31, 2005  
 Lowell @ Bridgeport CT  
 Game time is 1:05 PM  
 Members - \$43  
 Non members - \$48  
 (Sign up deadline is Dec. 10th)



*Sign up sheets for advertised  
 Booster Club Trips/Tickets or  
 Events are available at the Club  
 Table in the Tsongas Arena  
 behind Section F.*

Tickets for Portland Game 11/26  
 Group tickets for the Lowell game @  
 Portland ME are still available.  
 They are \$8 each and sign up deadline  
 is November 12th.



## 5TH ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER

Wednesday, November 9, 2005 • 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm  
 VFW Hall • 190 Plain Street (Hannaford Plaza) • Lowell, MA

Join the Booster Club and the Lock Monsters players in the shared culinary delights of our *Fifth Annual Pot Luck Dinner*. All attending Booster Club members must bring a food item. Sign up at the Booster Club table on game nights, or at the next general meeting. **The deadline to sign up is Monday, November 7th** (LLMBC meeting). For more information or to volunteer to help with set-up or clean-up, contact Ilene Tatroe at [executivechair@lockmonstersbc.com](mailto:executivechair@lockmonstersbc.com).

**Directions (from the Tsongas Arena):** Go straight through the lights on to Dutton Street. Continue on Thorndike Street through several lights. Take the ramp toward I-495 / Route 3 and merge onto the Lowell Connector heading South. Take the Plain Street exit (Exit 4) and turn left onto Plain Street. The VFW is located a short distance from the exit on the left, across from Hannaford Plaza. Please park in the lot to the right of the building Phone: (978) 453-6231.



**Next Meeting:**  
 Monday • November 7, 2005 • 7 PM  
 Tsongas Arena Club Room • Lowell



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# November 2005 Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 <b>BowlaThon</b> Brunswick Zone 8:30 PM	4 <b>LOW vs. PORT</b> 7:35 PM	5 <b>LOW @ PORT</b> 7:05 PM
6 <b>LOW vs. NOR</b> 4:05 PM	7 <b>General Meeting</b> Tsongas Arena 7 PM	8	9 <b>Pot Luck</b> VFW Hall-Plain St. 6:30-9 PM	10	11 <b>LOW @ MCH</b> 7:35 PM	12 <b>LOW vs. HART</b> 7:35 PM
13 <b>LOW @ BRI</b> 4:05 PM	14	15	16 <b>LOW vs. ALB</b> 7:05 PM	17	18 <b>LOW vs. PORT</b> 7:35 PM	19 <b>LOW @ MCH</b> 7:35 PM
20 <b>LOW vs. MCH</b> 4:05 PM	21	22	23 <b>LOW @ SPR</b> 7:05 PM	24	25 <b>LOW vs. SPR</b> 7:35 PM	26 <b>LOW @ PORT</b> 7:05 PM
27	28	29	30			
				vs. =Home Game @ =Away Game		