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The New Voters

One of the biggest honors in Metroho has come to those who were named Inaugural Members of the Metroho Hall Of Fame Nomination Committee. Following the leave of noted members DB13, evilrunt and Rick1424; it was time for the committee to vote on three more members to join their ranks in nominating the next in line for the Status of Metroho Hall Of Famer, joining elite members like Adam, R.Wirtz and Trogdor1009.

The idea was that candidates would send an essay of why they believe they should be entered into the committee, and the members of the committee would then vote on who they believe is right for the job. Three out of the ten candidates were voted in, and the Newsletter got exclusive interviews with all three of the winners. They will be ranked in the order in which they won, being Lord Mike (1524), Demonous_Xodus (2974) and barneyg (3083).

First Place: Lord Mike

-Introduce Yourself

Hey all, I am Lord Mike, GM of The Doom. You can call me Mike or Your Majesty, whichever you prefer. 😊

-First of all, how do you feel about being nominated to the committee?

I am very happy to be part of the HoF committee, I love this game a lot and anything I can do to "give back" to the MetroHo universe, I am all for.

-What do you feel was the biggest factor in you being nominated?

Well, I have been here playing this daily for a long time now, I was very active and also hosted my own tournament. (DoomsDay Cup) I've played in almost all of the major tourneys and battled a lot of the vets many times over. Oh and I may have greased a few palms. hehe

-Do you feel you'll be a valued member of the committee?

Hell yeah, I feel I am a fair, honest and good GM here now, I had a "shady" past a long time ago and I have worked hard to put that behind me and move on, this is another step on the path of redemption for me. 😊

-How do you think it will be working with the well-known veterans on the committee.

Easy, they're all fun people. I've spoken to most of them a lot before anyways and have either become friends with them or earned mutual respect from battling them through different seasons or tourneys.

-Do you think anybody else should've been voted in? If so, why?

Sure, there are a lot of good GM's that could do well here but for whatever reason, I was chosen so I will do this job to the best of my abilities.

-Who wins your first vote come the first vote in March?

Top Secret bud. 😊

Cheers.

Second Place: Demonous_Xodus

- Introduce Yourself

I'm Demonous_Xodus, President and General Manager of the Quebec Demons. As well as being Editor in Chief of the Newsletter.

-First of all, how do you feel about being nominated to the committee?

Its a great feeling. I feel like the veterans on the game know me well and know what I can bring to the table.

-What do you feel was the biggest factor in you being nominated?

I've been around for 550+ days and know a lot of the guys. I've learned a lot about Metroho and its history. So I believe I earned a spot here.

-Do you feel you'll be a valued member of the committee?

I hope to be. I'll work hard at it.

-How do you think it will be working with the well-known veterans on the committee.

Probably a lot of fun. I talk to a lot of these guys everyday.

-Do you think anybody else should've been voted in? If so, why?

I thought Bodazafa had a good chance. Guy's a genius with his betting theory.

-Who wins your first vote come the first vote in March?

Definatley Erik. The guy totally deserves the nod into the HOF!

Third Place: Barneyg

- Introduce Yourself

I'm 31 and I've been playing fantasy hockey for as long as I can remember, starting in the early 90s with HLS, then EHM. I especially loved EHM and how lousy farm players could become good players -- the development stuff. That's how I got hooked into Metroho -- drilling, planning, etc. I can't remember how I got introduced to Metroho. I joined in September 2009; I probably learned about the game on a forum site such as hfboards.com or dobberhockey.com.

Outside of Metroho, I have a 4-year-old daughter and a 3-year-old son, and I teach at a large Canadian university. That's why I have WAY more time on my hands on weekdays than on weekends.

-First of all, how do you feel about being nominated to the committee?

I feel great! I've played other online games with a competitive flavor and the forums on those sites are often filled with low-flying insults, people with long memories (holding grudges), etc. Here I found a community with a good number of people dedicated to making the game and new GMs better, and most importantly a game creator (Adam) who listens and isn't a "1 forum post in 90 days" kind of guy.

So long story short, I've found Metroho has been taking more and more of my time because games is so addictive, and the tone of the discussions is generally rather courteous. So to be a part of

the group of people whose purpose is to reward the most important figures of the game -- it feels great.

-What do you feel was the biggest factor in you being nominated?

Forum participation is probably the main factor. My attitude in trade talks may also have been a factor -- I'm not a fan of lowball offers and back-and-forth counteroffers. I always try to start out with an offer that I think is fair to both parties so things usually move rather swiftly. I think a lot of people like that.

-Do you feel you'll be a valued member of the committee?

I hope I will. I try to get along with everyone and focus on the job at hand, I'm sure those are valued qualities in the HOF committee as with any team.

-How do you think it will be working with the well-known veterans on the committee.

I look forward to it. I've been in leagues with some of the veterans and I'm sure they can attest I'm not there to wreak havoc.

-Do you think anybody else should've been voted in? If so, why?

I don't know! I think all 3 people voted in (especially Lord Mike and D_X) deserved to be voted in!

-Who wins your first vote come the first vote in March?

I won't commit to that right away, but probably zigzag (Warthogs). He's had a very good team for a good stretch of time.

Thanks and congratulations to all three of the winners for having been voted into such a great committee. We're hoping to see a lot of good things out of all three of the users!



Q&A With Ajgray_13

By Kwest

Q – How did you first come across Metroho?

A – Hmmmm I was just finished college and one of my friends sent me the link (he was trying to get the damn referrals haha) tried it out... and was addicted... he has since stopped playing...

Q – You’ve got quite a few teams that you run. How can you possibly keep them all straight?

A – To be exact.. I just named them off a little while ago. I have 7... I keep them straight through A LOT of organization. Every team is at a different stage. I have a lvl 1 team (hopefully for not to much longer..) and teams all the way up to lvl 5

Q – What keeps you coming back to Metroho, day after day?

A – A couple things really... the drills. I love waking up and doing my drills. It’s honestly like crack! Who will go up today! Haha, 2nd.. the gm’s I have a good relationship with a lot of the gm’s and its pretty fun getting to know them. I also like the ability to build my own dynasty

Q – What do you like and dislike about the game?

A – Kwest... cmon! That’s the most lame question ever lol.. joking

Like

Drafting.. I love being able to draft who I want and when.. I spend a lot of time studying the draft

Signing.. as some of you know I always meticulously analyze my signings.. should I do 1 year 1mill deals or straight out 8 years.. I’m risking.. usually do the 1 year deal

Dislike

The fact that there are certain teams that will always try to screw other teams... I feel the biggest part of this game is the respect another GM has for you.... I would rather trade with the same 10 teams over and

over again because I know we can get a fair deal that works for both of us.

Q – What does the '13' in your name stand for?

A – Hahaha.. my lucky number..i always use it...

Q – You're going on a 'hockey holiday' soon. Can you tell us about that?

A – haha well, as some of you know.. I live in Ottawa, Ontario... moved here a couple years ago for work. My fav player is Teemu Selanne. He's probably retiring after this year. So I told myself... I want to go to Anaheim to watch him play at his home rink before he retires. I'll be in California for his last 2 home games!

Q – How did Teemu Selanne become your favourite player?

A – I've liked him ever since grade 4... I had a friend and we both liked The Mighty Ducks, I liked Selanne, he liked Kariya.. Ever since I have always followed him. I'm 24 now so it's been a while

Q – Imagine if you get to attend one of these events live in the arena in your lifetime. Would you pick the Leafs winning the cup or Selanne getting a natural hat trick in his last NHL game?

A – Wow.. that is a really hard question.... The Leafs are my favourite team but Selanne is my fav player ... If you said meet Selanne I'd pick that in a second! But I'd have to go with the Leafs winning the Stanley Cup!!!!

Q – In your opinion, will we ever see an NHL team in Winnipeg again?

A – Unfortunately I don't think so. I would LOVE to see the Jets come back.. but it probably won't happen. I think Quebec City or Hamilton would get one... Winnipeg is a small market (in the eyes of the NHL) I feel they would easily be able to support a team but hey.. the NHL is run by a idiot....

Q – What is your best piece of hockey memorabilia?

A – Ohhh that is really hard. I'm a hockey card collector and an avid Selanne Collector. I would have to say the best piece I have... would be

my Teemu Selanne Signed Winnipeg Jets Jersey.. got that last November.. still look at it and can't believe I have it. 2nd would be my Mark Messier Edmonton Signed Jersey

Q – What type of job do you do?

A – I'm a Personal Banker and I work for the Royal bank.. I take peoples money! Haha

Q – Do you enjoy it?

A – Love it! Went through school for Accounting but after school I got a job in a 5 person firm... was not for me.. I always say, you have to find a job you enjoy.. if you don't love going to work you will never succeed

Q – Living in Ottawa, do you speak any French?

A – Enough to get by at work but other than that nope!

Q – If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

A – Italy... I'm English and Irish but man do I ever love Italian food.. I honestly think I have the wrong genes.. haha,

Q – How about if you could live anywhere in the world?

A – I'd stay in Canada... I love it here.. I like the snow but I love the heat.. I have a friend that went to Australia for a year of school. I don't know how I'd be over there and not be able to go to a NHL game

Q – What about meeting anyone, who would you want to meet

A - Well if we're talking about Metroho users.. I really want to know what kind of guy Adam is haha. Real life people.... Selanne obviously.. but Adam Sandler! Haha he has the same birth DAY as me.. always wonder how chill he is or if he's a prick

Q – Name your top three movies.

*A – 1) I Love You Man
2) Gladiator*

3) *Saving Private Ryan*

Q – Beatles or Rolling Stones?

A – Beatles, they were way before my time but I love them

Q – Cake or Pie?

A – Apple pie.. if its not an Apple pie then cake!

Q – SUV or Car?

*A – Car... i don't need an SUV I don't have kids! I want a BMW...
haha*

Q – Finally, what is the single best piece of advice you could give a guy on day 0 of Metroho?

A –GET A MENTOR!!!!!!! When I first started I had NO CLUE what to do.. I can't imagine with all the updates how overwhelming a new GM is to the game.. there are so many questions a new GM has that need to be answered. I think the mentor is a GREAT idea. Metroho will only grow if we are able to keep the new GM's if they leave us oldies, we will only slowly fade away....

Thanks to ajgray_13 (954) for being part of our Q&A for the month of March! We appreciate it!

The Ultimate Challenge League

by: Demonous_Xodus

It's been a while since I've encountered a very good and fresh idea regarding "closed" leagues. Closed leagues being a league in which only the same teams can keep joining. It has been debated over the forums so many times that I personally never thought it would ever been added to the game, and it still hasn't.

However, one of our members decided to take the lead. Thanks to tfont (1806), some of them can now look forward to the "Ultimate Challenge League". This league is formed with a ton of users, who will open up a multi and use the multi to be part of the league. Free agents, trading, and everything to do with Metroho will happen in the league. Players will only be able to trade with the teams in the league, and will only be able to sign Free Agents who have been drafted in the league.

The challenge is that it basically becomes just like the NHL would be. GMs have to deal with the challenge that you must be a contender while managing to stay young, as well as dealing with the salary cap. Not all free agents can be signed, but it would be near-impossible to have an all 90+ line-up through trading. It will be very interesting to see what happens in the league during its tenure.

Personally, I hope it does work out. It's a very great concept when you think about it. One of the competitive edges of Metroho today is the fact that you must rebuild quickly and then either trade most of it to guarantee great line-ups, or have them all blossom quickly into top-notch players. You wouldn't have that in The UCL.

The challenge is that you must stay competitive while being able to draft very well. It becomes much more realistic. Draft picks that don't develop very well become failures, and everyone will know it. Failing to be a good trading partner will keep teams away from their phones, and that will result in some bad season play for your team.

The UCL offers plenty of good opportunities for good GMs to show they have a flair for being a good GM in a pressure situation like this. Who will flourish, and who will fail? Its going to be an interesting thing to see.

So stay tuned everyone! We're all in for possibly what could be a Metroho revolution. Are closed leagues the future of Metroho? I would personally love the suggested idea of "two sides of Metroho". One of them is the current situation we have know, with complete trading power with every team in the league.

The alternative would be something like the UCL. A closed league that would happen through your entire career. However, we'll have to see how this one does before we get any ideas about changing the game.

The Famous Canada Day Server Crash

By The Demogoblins

On July 1st, 2010, the first ever epic server crash happened on Metroho. This crash set the entire game back a few days, and was so large that Adam then decided to back-up the game's files everyday instead of on a 5 day basis. The Demogoblins decided it was time to act and write some poetry:

[The Lounge]: The Demogoblins has entered at 4:02 am

My glorious drills reversed,
Like so much meat
Thrown in my face by a butcher named server crash,
O will we never be blessed by tiny pixels and text based lifeforms as we
were before this terrible rapture
Have not, each one of us suffered enough,
and now to be forced to remember
In the dead of night,
406 eastern standard time
I cry foul world,
Cruel and steely like the guillotine
You slice at me

love,
The Demogoblins

Stay Tuned!

We're looking for more Community Works! If you have anything interested to submit to the newsletter, go ahead and send it to [Demonous_Xodus \(2974\)](#)!

Ask the Community

By: Demonous_Xodus

We decided to change up the Ask The Community format for this month. Instead of asking the community different questions in small segments (small Q&As), we randomly chose 10 General Managers to answer one question, and see what answer comes up the most.

The question was: "[If you could lace up the skates for any team in Metroho, other than your own, which team would it be?"

Flyguy424 answered:

I would want to play for The Kanzis Habs4Cup. Losing is not an option with Kanzi and winning is always fun.

Sama answered:

The Greedy Millionaires. Perfect team to make sum o' dat cash money!

Cubuffs222 answered:

Hmm... I am going to have to say The Robbles. Their GM is a RLF (Real Life Friend) who I introduced to the game. He has ruffled some feathers along the way, but he always ices a really good team.

Darth liam5 answered:

I would say The Shadows because he knows a lot of things about metroho and I would love to go to practice to find out some of his secret plans.

DynamiteDG answered:

I'd probably like to play for the Kanzis Habs4Cup because

they're usually pretty high in the power rankings and they seem to do well consistently.

Steve3141 answered:

It would have to be for Pilla & The Badonkadonks. I first thought this would be a tough one to answer, but after going through a few teams, I saw Pilla's team and said YEP!!!! I feel Pilla is the only other GM in Metro that resembles myself. That is the only type of GM I can lace my skates up for.

Drake answered:

The Yabba Dabbas

Master Greg answered:

You.

Renegades answered:

Who wouldn't want to play for the original Metroho team? The Slayers of course would be my pick, filled with rich history in awards, championships, individual player success and etc, which really holds well when they have awesome management from the GM. Classy team IMO by far in this league. That team truly represents what Metroho is.

Stay Tuned!

You could be one of the next randomly selected users to take place in the next issue's Ask The Community Survey! A fresh batch of 10 people will be selected to do so, and we're hopeful all of them will come up with answers for us!

From the Mind of the Veteran GM DB13, comes the following exciting challenge:

"Crush The Regina Riders" Challenge

The goal of this challenge is to score as many goals against The Regina Riders as possible. You can shinny them a maximum of 3 times between the time frame. Whichever team scores the most combined goals will win the challenge. You must post a reply to the "Crush The Regina Riders Challenge" thread with the scores and url's to each game as proof that you actually played the game. You can only take this challenge with one team, anyone that attempts to do this with multiple accounts will be disqualified immediately. There is no practicing allowed, you will **not** be able to shinny more than 3 times and choose which results you want to submit. The winner will receive a months VIP courtesy of GM: Kwest (1152). This contest will begin March 1st and end on March 5th. Good luck and HAVE FUN!

-DB13



Fun And Games



Hockey Trivia

By IronDogg

1. Who was the Albanian Assassin?
2. In what year did the Zamboni first appear on NHL ice?
3. In which city was the first Stanley Cup parade held?
4. Which player was responsible for starting the 'rat throwing' craze for the Florida Panthers and how many goals did he score in the season the craze started?
5. In MetroHO, is it possible to get to level 5 without ever winning a trophy?
6. Which MetroHO GM designed the graphics for the Dominance Trophy, Finalist Trophy, Metro Cup and Denslow Cup? (Hint, it's not Adam).

Rules

- Send your responses to IronDogg via PM on Metroho.com before the end of March 26th, 2010.
- Only 1 submission per user, if more are sent the first one will be the ONLY one used.
- 1 point per correct answer.
- If there are multiple winning submissions, then a random winner will be selected from the winning submissions as the October Edition trivia winner.
- Winner's prize is 1 month of **VIP**.
- Newsletter team members are not eligible to win but can still submit answers.

Answers from last month's Trivia

Volume 8^s Answers.

1. Gretzky wore number 99.
2. Brett Hull was originally drafted by the Calgary Flames.
3. The Montreal Canadiens, Toronto Maple Leafs, Chicago Blackhawks, New York Rangers, Boston Bruins and Detroit Red Wings
4. Mario Lemieux was Captain of the Pittsburgh Penguins.
5. Game News, Personal News, Team News, League News
6. Earning a Shutout, Scoring At Least 5 Goals

Congratulations to Le Syd (4396), last issue's winner!

Hockey Jokes

St. Peter and Satan were having an argument one day about hockey. Satan proposed a game to be played on neutral ice between a select team from the heavenly host and his own hand-picked boys. "Very well," said the gatekeeper of Heaven. "But you realize, I hope, that we've got all the good players and the best coaches." "I know, and that's all right," Satan answered unperturbed; "We've got all the referees."

Two boys are playing hockey on a pond in the park in Toronto, when one is attacked by a rabid Rottweiler. Thinking quickly, the other boy takes his stick, wedges it down the dog's collar and twists, breaking the dog's neck. A reporter who was strolling by sees the incident, and rushes over to interview the boy. "Young Leafs Fan Saves Friend From Vicious Animal," he starts writing in his notebook. "But I'm not a Leafs fan," the little hero replied. "Sorry, since we are in Toronto, I just assumed you were," said the reporter and starts again. "Little Jays Fan Rescues Friend From Horrific Attack" he continued writing in his notebook. "I'm not a Jays fan either," the boy said. "I assumed everyone in Toronto was either a Leafs or Jays fan. "What team, do you root for?" the reporter asked. "I'm a Boston Bruins fan." the child said. The reporter starts a new sheet in his notebook and writes, "Little Bastard from Boston Kills Beloved Family Pet."

Teemu Selanne and Chris Pronger accidentally walked into a gay bar. They had just sat when a man walked up to Teemu and asked him to dance.

Horrified, he turned to Pronger and whispered, "Help me out of this!" So Pronger grabs the guy, slams him up against the wall and mumbles something menacingly into his face. Once let out of his clutches, the guy apologized and hurried away.

Wow, Teemu says, "Thanks, what did you say to him?" Prongs shrugged and replied, "Told him we're on our honeymoon."

Metroho Word Search

By: DB13

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playmaker

goalie

medallion

forums

endorsements

shinny

betting

power rankings

free flow

all out attack

schedule

standings

level

metro cup

fire ring

sniper

injury

fatigue

drills

points

Letter From The Editor

Hey everybody, its Demonous here. Its been a fun time getting this newsletter out in the last few months, which will be the first one which we've done without the help of Alfie or Trogdor.

I think you'll all enjoy it, as we've worked pretty hard on it to get it done in a month. Every idea was pretty fresh and I thought it worked out great in the end, so hopefully I have something impressive to show off for my first time as Editor in Chief.

I'd like to thank IronDogg for his site, which we all work out to get this site together. He also pieces together some great trivia. DB13 is also a very helpful guy, coming up with one of our very first contests and a crossword! I'd also like to thank The Demogoblins, ajgray_13, Lord Mike, Barneyg and you guys in the community for your contributions to the Newsletter once again. It wouldn't happen without you guys.

Mostly importantly, I'd like to thank Kwest. The guy was constantly there to help me through all of this, set up some great stuff and even had the great interview with Ajgray_13. Thanks Kwest! Would've been hard as hell to do it without you.

So hope you all enjoyed the Newsletter! We'll be back in our Bi-Monthly was to bring you an article on May 1st, chronicling all of what happened from the beginning of March to April's end! Thanks again!

-Demonous_Xodus