

# Kings full of spies

## Another commie plan backfires

by G. Gordon Liddy

The Los Angeles Kings have Russian spies for an owner and leading scorer.

Reports from the official American news agency, V.P.U., are saying that Bernie Nicholls, who is off to a phenomenal start for the Kings, has been a KGB agent since birth, while McNall, a failed Los Angeles businessman who emigrated to the Soviet Union, has been an agent since 1980.

Nicholls, reportedly raised in Leningrad and schooled in the Soviet style of hockey until he was 15-years-old, was planted in Kingston, Ont., where he played junior hockey for the Kingston Canadians. He was scouted (pre-

sumably by another KGB agent posing as a Kings scout) and picked up by the Kings in 1988.

McNall, who lost an estimated \$15 million from his childhood hobby — business of hockey card collecting, disgruntledly left the U.S. "for the Soviet dream" — to be a spy. Upon arriving in Moscow, he was immediately picked up and taught the ways of the KGB.

The plan was this: McNall would be supplied loads of cash which he would invest in certain L.A. businesses. His primary goal was to purchase the Kings — the team Nicholls was now playing for — and acquire NHL superstar Wayne Gretzky, no matter how

high the price.

Here's where the story gets interesting. The KGB's reasoning behind the Gretzky 'deal' was to learn his style of play firsthand and teach Soviet players so they could win future Canada Cups and Rendez-Vous.

Their plan backfired, though.

The KGB had no idea that Nicholls would grow up to be such a prolific scorer, leaving Gretzky in the dust.

Now, according to reports from the official Soviet news agency, Tassle, McNall is to trade Gretzky to the M-I-C-K-E-Y M-O-U-S-E New Jersey Devils for a fifth round draft pick, and bring Nicholls back to his home land.

# Bitchin' Bears bomb Bisons

by Al Iterate

One wacky Wednesday won a wee bit of wonder for those bombastic bears this week. In a lucky lapse of location, the brutally booed bisons bit the big banana and gave up goal after gory goal, gloriously guiding the gleeful bears to a gruesome but grateful victory.

"Cranston could'a cut those crazy kooks like Christmas crack-

ers" quipped the quintessential but queer coach Clare Cake "ceptin the slippery surface seemed to seduce his skates into sliding some seemingly super shots somewhat astray."

Heralding hockey hell, the helpless hammered herbivores succumbed to a senseless succession of psychotic, seemingly sentient skewed spheroids sent sequentially netward.

# Our hockey pool

by Big Small

Who needs the NHL? All the NHL does is give the Original Six Hockey League a great database for stats. Otherwise the league would draft Taro Tsujimoto from the Tokyo Katanas.

Some hockey pools just scratch the surface. This league states facts, while most hockey pools state opinions and think of them as facts.

Not just any hockey pool turns normally sane people into hockey trading maniacs. Let's take a look at the 17 teams, some of which are powerhouses, while others are just houses (and condemned ones at that).

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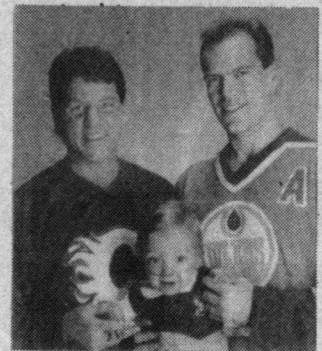
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