



# The Rangers Review

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## President's Message



Dear fan club members,

With this newsletter, I am hoping everyone is doing well. We are hoping that our team is going to make the playoffs, as we come down to the end of the season. The race for the final playoff seeds is very tight and exciting!

To date, we do not have a meeting place set for next season. So if any readers can help us find a place for our meetings for the next season, it would be appreciated and please let us know about it as soon as possible.

The Fan Club is now voting on the "E Awards" to give to the players on the team. (See below)

The Board is considering having fewer meetings in the near future to cut the costs. We were able to have a raffle at last month's meeting with a few items the front office gave us. We had a Nick Fotiu hat and two picture cards; one was a assistant coach and the other was Dan Blackburn.

I would like to thank all of you that took chances for these and other items we had. Our April 12, 2010 meeting will have a few items to be raffled off also. I am looking forward to seeing some new faces. Let's go Rangers!

*-Kerry Tricarico, President*

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## General Club News

Tickets are available to select games throughout the remainder of the season.

Please contact President Kerry Tricarico at (917) 797 – 9118 for details!

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## Trips and Events

We will continue to have a speaker from Blueshirt Bulletin at each meeting, so be sure to come down and support the Fan Club! There will be more joint ventures to come!

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## Player Sightings

*If you know of an upcoming event or want to share your story, please email us at: [sightings@nyrfanclub.com](mailto:sightings@nyrfanclub.com).*

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## Happy Birthday Wishes:

### *March*

#### Players

Henrik Lundqvist - 3/2

Ryan Callahan - 3/21

#### Current Members

John Little - 3/3

Luis Lantschner - 3/7

Kerry Tricarico - 3/8

Jo-Ann Wordley - 3/10

Sonny Mukhopadhyay - 3/13

Bev Gibbs - 3/15

Joe Scumaci Jr. - 3/21

### *April*

#### Players

Sean Avery - 4/10

Enver Lisin - 4/22

Brandon Dubinsky - 4/29

Dan Girardi - 4/29

#### Current Members

Ralph Gorgone - 4/1

Barbara Shapiro - 4/2

Katja Lantschner - 4/3

Steven Cohen - 4/5

Matthias Lantschner - 4/13

Sandra Van Essendelft - 4/19


Mike Shapiro - 4/20

Eric Sposito - 4/28

Richard Wierzbicki - 4/29

## The Metro Mug

The Metro Mug is awarded to the local NHL team that has the most success against their cross-town rivals.

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	OT/SO Losses	POINTS
	7	3	1	15
	6	4	2	14
	4	7	0	8

Points are awarded as follows:

2 Points for a Win

1 Point for a Shootout or OT loss

0 Points for a Loss

Thanks to Elyse Greenberg

Meetings will be announced monthly in the *Rangers Review* as well as the Fan Club website, [NYRFanClub.com](http://NYRFanClub.com) including the new location.

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## My Fan Club

As a NY Rangers Fan Club member, you have full access to all of your membership records through the "My Fan Club" area of our website. Once you sign in, you can update your address and contact information, manage subscriptions to our email services, and even renew your membership.

Our newest perk to being a fan club is a complimentary associate subscription to *Blueshirt Bulletin*, the Independent Monthly Publication covering the New York Rangers. All current members will receive a complimentary one-year (10 issues) subscription with a reduced renewal rate.

Additional information can be found on [NYRFanClub.com](http://NYRFanClub.com) and [BlueshirtBulletin.com!](http://BlueshirtBulletin.com!)

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## Meeting Schedule

### - General Membership Meetings -

Month	Date
September	- no meeting -
October	TBD
November	TBD
December	TBD
January	TBD
February	Monday, February 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2010
March	Monday, March 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2010
April	Monday, April 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2010
May	TBD
June	TBD

There are no July/August meetings.

### - Board Meetings -

Month	Date
September	- no meeting -
October	Tuesday, October 28
November	TBD
December	- no meeting -
January	TBD
February	TBD
March	TBD
April	TBD
May	TBD
June	TBD

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## "E" Awards

Each year, the Fan Club presents awards to three Players:

- **"Rookie of the Year:"** Awarded to the top rookie for the Rangers.
- **"Ceil Saidel:"** Awarded to the team's "Unsung Hero" (based on heroism not popularity).
- **"Frank Boucher:"** Award to the Most Popular Ranger.

In order to vote, current paid (and Honorary) members must go to [NYRFanClub.com](http://NYRFanClub.com), click on "My Fan Club" and sign in. This takes you to your personal Fan Club page. You'll see the 'Go' button at the top of the page, which then takes you to the voting page.

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## From The Bench

Welcome back fans to another edition of *"From The Bench."*

It's a difficult time to be a fan of the New York Rangers. Granted, the team has infused some terrific youth this season and made strides in the right direction, but they sit very tight to the bottom

of the Eastern Conference and may miss the playoffs for the first time since the lockout.

The current roster has a lot to do with the struggles of the team this season. Many fans recognize this and were disappointed in the lack of movement by the Rangers at the trade deadline to address that.

Truth be told, Rangers GM Glen Sather tried very hard to make a move, but was smartly unwilling to part with his young prospects and players.

Strapped by certain high-priced contracts, the Rangers had a choice to make: lose a valuable prospect in order to move a bad contract or simply stay pat and hope the bad contracts, at some point, work out.

They chose the latter.

However, that doesn't excuse the lackluster and inconsistent on-ice play that the Rangers have exhibited throughout the season.

Whether it's a function of team leadership, chemistry, or simply the culture of the organization, the Rangers need to instill a greater sense of pride and desperation in their locker room. Furthermore, these attributes need to be carried down to the minor leagues and to the various prospects.

Players like Ryan Callahan have done a terrific job in playing with heart, but unfortunately, that cannot be said for every player on the roster.

Until the Rangers create an accountable and proud atmosphere, they will never build a true winning franchise.

That starts with smart drafting, good free agent signings, a motivated and driven coaching staff, and understanding fan base.

*As always, feel free to email me at [danielakeson@blueshirtbulletin.com](mailto:danielakeson@blueshirtbulletin.com) or visit me at [blueshirtbulletin.com](http://blueshirtbulletin.com).*

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**The King:** Henrik Lundqvist will need to be on top of his game to get the NYR to the playoffs

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