1982: 5/27: John McMullen, John Whitehead and Brendan Byrne purchase Colorado Rockies and receive NHL approval to shift franchise to New Jersey Meadowlands...6/30: New Jersey franchise officially christened as "Devils" in fan balloting...8/20: Don Lever named Devils' first captain...9/13: Devils open first training camp at Totowa's Ice World ... 9/21: Devils' debut at Meadowlands concludes in 3-2 pre-season defeat to Rangers...10/5: Opening night. Devils tie Penguins 3-3 in NHL, Meadowlands' debut. Don Lever scores first Devils' goal...10/8: Devils gain first victory before capacity 19,023 at Meadowlands, downing Rangers 3-2. 1983: 7/5: Devils purchase AHL Maine Mariners for top development farm team. 1984: 1/31: Glenn Resch is winning goaltender and Joe Cirella scores goal as Wales Conference defeats Campbell's, 7-6, in 36th NHL All-Star Game, played at Meadowlands Arena before capacity crowd of 18,939. 1986: 10/29: Kirk Muller records his first NHL hat trick, adds three assists to establish franchise single-game record of six points, as Devils defeat Penguins 8-6 at Pittsburgh. 1987: 1/22: Blizzard creates "334 Club." Devils defeat Calgary. 7-5, at Meadowlands before 334 fans who brave 15 inches of snow. Match is delayed 106 minutes as only 13 Devils' players arrive by scheduled game time. Contest ended at 11:44 P.M...4/23: Devils shift AHL Maine Mariners to Utica, New York ... 4/30: Lou Lamoriello, former head coach and athletic director at Providence College is named new Devils' president. 1988: 4/3: Biggest game in franchise history is decided when John MacLean scores at 2:21 of OT to propel Devils to 4-3 win at Chicago. clinching first playoff spot... 4/6: Devils play first-ever playoff game, taking 4-3 OT loss at Nassau Coliseum...4/7: Mark Johnson scores game-winner in Devils' first playoff victory, a 3-2 win at Long Island...4/9: Sean Burke records ShO, as Devils earn 3-0 win over Isles in first Meadowlands' playoff match ever...4/14: Devils hold on for 6-5 home win to take series from Islanders in six games...4/22: Patrik Sundstrom sets NHL playoff record (since tied) with eight points (3g-5a), Mark Johnson nets four goals as Devils drop Caps 10-4 in game three ... 4/30: Devils down Caps 3-2 in game seven to take Patrick Division Playoff crown...5/6: More fireworks after this game than during, as Bruins drop Devils 6-1 in game three of Wales Conference Championship and Schoenfeld/Koharski incident ensues...5/8: Devils even series at two all with 3-1 win following 66-minute delay as amateur officials work the match in the wake of Schoenfeld suspension, no formal hearing or appeal for same, restraining order vs. NHL and referee walkout. 1989: 6/26: Ending 18 months of rumor and speculation, the Devils announce the signings of Soviet defensemen Viacheslav Fetisov and Sergei Starikov...7/7: At a historic Meadowlands Arena press conference, the Devils introduce Viacheslav Fetisov and Sergei Starikov. 1991: 10/5: Devils begin their tenth anniversary season with 7-2 win over Blues. 1992: 1/10: Devils name Sherry Ross new radio commentator...1/29: Devils announce that the club will modify its uniform design for the 1992-93 season...4/1: Devils' game vs. the Caps is postponed as a result of the Players' Association strike...4/12: NHL resumes play, Devils lose to Caps. 4-3 in OT...9/24: Scott Stevens is named the fifth captain in Devils' history. 1993: 5/5: Devils announce they have established a new, three-year working agreement with the AHL's Capital District franchise. The team will be known as the Albany River Rats and will play their home games at Knickerbocker Arena...6/28: Hall of Famer Jacques Lemaire is introduced as the Devils' eighth head coach...6/30: Larry Robinson, a member of six Stanley Cup Championship teams is named assistant coach...12/28: With game-winning goal vs. Hartford, John MacLean surpasses Kirk Muller as the Devils' all-time leading scorer with 521 points. 1994: 4/27: Devils play sixth longest game in league history at the time in 1-0 loss at Buffalo. Game is decided when Dave Hannan scores the GWG at 5:43 of the fourth OT...5/27: One of the best seasons in club history comes to an end with 2-1 double OT loss to NY Rangers in deciding game of Eastern Conference Finals. Valeri Zelepukin sent the game into OT by scoring goal with 7.7 seconds remaining in the third period...6/16: Martin Brodeur captures Calder Trophy as top rookie and Jacques Lemaire picks up Adams Award as the league's top coach. Scott Stevens is named to the NHL's First All-Star Team...10/25: Executive VP Max McNab retires after spending nearly 50 years in hockey. 1995: 1/11: The NHL announces season will resume following 105 day lockout...6/13: Devils defeat the Philadelphia Flyers in game six of conference finals (4-2) to advance to the Stanley Cup Finals for the first time in franchise history...6/24: Devils become Stanley Cup Champions by sweeping the Detroit Red Wings in four straight...6/28: Devils and their fans celebrate the Stanley Cup victory at an outdoor Meadowlands' celebration...10/7: Devils open 1995-96 season by unveiling the Stanley Cup, complete with the names of the 1994-95 Stanley Cup Champions and raising the Stanley Cup Championship banner in a pre-game ceremony...11/7: The Devils and the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority announce that they have finalized the documents of the Devils' lease that will make the Meadowlands Arena the Devils' home for the next 12 seasons. 1996: 1/6: Devils play first-ever game in newlyrenamed Continental Airlines Arena...12/23: Devils play their first-ever scoreless tie vs. Buffalo. 1997: 4/12: Despite not playing, Devils clinch their first-ever divisional title as a result of Philadelphia's 3-3 OT tie vs. Montreal...4/17: Martin Brodeur becomes the second goalie in NHL history to record a goal (19:15 of 3rd period) in post-season play during Devils' 5-2 win in game one of East. Conf. Quarterfinals vs. Montreal. 1998: 4/18: Despite 2-1 loss to the NY Islanders, Martin Brodeur wins his second consecutive Jennings Trophy. Devils edge Dallas, who defeated Chicago 3-1 earlier in the day by one goal ... 5/8: Jacques Lemaire, the most successful head coach in Devils' history, announces his plans to step down...7/28: Former Devil Viacheslav Fetisov is named assistant coach...8/21: Devils unveil new and improved training facility at South Mountain Arena...11/18: Former Devil Peter Stastny, who appeared in 217 games for New Jersey, is inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame. He becomes the first Devils' player elected to the shrine...12/8: Ken Daneyko becomes Devils' all-time games played leader by appearing in his 935th contest. 1999: 1/4: NHL determines St. Louis Blues tampered by negotiating the terms of a free agent offer sheet

with Scott Stevens prior to July 1, 1994, the expiration date of his then-current contract...4/3: Devils/FSNY play-by-play announcer Mike Emrick broadcasts his 2,000th professional hockey game at Pittsburgh...4/8: With 1-0 decision vs. Capitals, Devils clinch Atlantic Division Championship and become the first Atlantic/Patrick Div. club to win three straight titles since Philadelphia ('84-85 to '86-87)...4/17: In season finale at Nashville, Devils set NHL mark with 28th road victory in 4-1 decision...5/26: Larry Robinson re-joins Devils as an assistant coach...10/29: In 4-2 win at Carolina, Ken Daneyko becomes the first player to appear in 1,000 games in a Devils' sweater. 2000: 2/15: Goaltender Martin Brodeur is credited with his second career goal (first regular-season) as the last player to touch the puck on a delayed penalty. His tally is the first game-winner by a netminder in NHL history...3/16: The Devils and Puck Holdings, an entity affiliated with the YankeeNets organization, announce they have signed a definitive agreement for the transfer of the franchise to Puck Holdings...3/23: Larry Robinson is promoted to the position of head coach...5/26: Patrik Elias' late third period goal gives Devils 2-1 win over Flyers and Eastern Conf. Championship. New Jersey becomes the first team to erase a 3-1 deficit in a best-of-7 conference championship series...6/10: Jason Arnott's goal at 28:20 of OT gives Devils their second Stanley Cup Championship in six vears...6/14: Devils celebrate championship with their fans at Continental Airlines Arena...6/15: Center Scott Gomez receives the Calder Trophy as the league's top rookie, while defenseman Ken Daneyko is awarded the Masterton Trophy for perseverance, sportsmanship and dedication to hockey at the NHL Television Awards Special in Toronto...6/29: GM Lou Lamoriello announces his intentions to remain with Devils following sale of the team to Puck Holdings...10/6: The Devils raise their Stanley Cup Championship banner in opening night ceremony. The team honors founder Dr. John J. McMullen, who brought professional hockey to New Jersey in 1982 and owned the team during its first 18 seasons. 2001: 3/23: The Devils win their 13th consecutive game. The streak is tied for the fourth longest in NHL history...4/6: Patrik Elias records 2g-2a-4pts in 5-2 win vs. Boston to set club's single-season scoring record with 96 points...4/7: The Devils defeat Montreal 2-0 at the Molson Centre and tie an NHL mark with their tenth consecutive road victory...6/14: At the NHL Television Awards in Toronto, center John Madden is the recipient of the Frank J. Selke Trophy as the league's top defensive forward...11/12: Devils' Assistant Coach Viacheslav Fetisov is one of five former players inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame. He joins Peter Stastny as the only former Devils' players to be honored. 2002: 2/24: Goaltender Martin Brodeur and defenseman Scott Niedermayer represent Gold Medal-winning Team Canada in their 5-2 win over Team USA at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games...Defenseman Brian Rafalski and Assistant Coach John Cunniff represent the U.S...2/25: Larry Robinson returns as an assistant coach as John Cunniff is unable to continue in his role due to personal reasons...5/10: Devils mourn the loss of John Cunniff who lost his battle with cancer...5/16: Devils' General Manager Lou Lamoriello is inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame of New Jersey...6/13: Pat Burns named Devils' head coach...9/29: John MacLean, the franchise's alltime leading scorer with 701 points, is added to the coaching staff. 2003: 2/5: Scott Niedermayer becomes the franchise's all-time scoring leader among defensemen with an assist in a 4-1 win at Washington...3/30: In a 6-0 victory over the NY Islanders, Martin Brodeur becomes the first goaltender in history to post four 40-win seasons, while Patrik Elias ties a franchise record with four goals...6/9: The Devils defeat the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim four games to three following a 3-0 victory in game seven of the Stanley Cup Finals to capture their third championship in nine years. New Jersey establishes an NHL record with their 12th post-season win on home ice, while Martin Brodeur sets an NHL record with his seventh shutout of the playoffs...6/12: At the NHL Television Awards, goaltender Martin Brodeur picks up his first Vezina Trophy as the league's top goaltender and is named to the NHL's First All-Star Team for the first time. Brodeur had already been named corecipient of his third Jennings Trophy for fewest team goals allowed...6/14: The club held their Stanley Cup Championship celebration for their fans adjacent to the Continental Airlines Arena...7/11: Defenseman Ken Daneyko, one of just five members of all three New Jersey Stanley Cup Championship teams, retired as an active player, but will remain with the organization...8/5: The Devils add former NHL Hall of Fame defenseman Jacques Laperriere to its staff as an assistant coach...10/16: Devils raise their third Stanley Cup Championship banner in Opening Night ceremony...10/30: New Jersey plays its 1,000th game at the Meadowlands: 839 regular-season, 92 playoffs, 65 pre-season and four exhibition outings...11/26: With a 3-3 OT tie at Anaheim, the Devils extend their undefeated streak to a franchise record-tying 13 games (10-0-3). Defenseman Scott Stevens passes his former Capitals' teammate Larry Murphy for most appearances (1,616) by a defenseman in NHL history. He is honored prior to the January 17 contest vs. Washington. 2004: 1/9: The Devils honor recently-retired defenseman Ken Daneyko prior to their game vs. Tampa Bay...2/5: Devils enter into a new multi-year agreement with Sports Radio 66 WFAN to broadcast its games beginning with the 2004-05 season ... 2/27: Pat Burn's becomes just the 11th individual in history to reach the 1.000 games coached mark. He is honored by the Devils and NHL just prior to that evening's game vs. Atlanta...3/23: Martin Brodeur becomes just the eighth goaltender in history to reach the 400-win mark...3/30: Burns becomes just the ninth coach to reach the 500-win mark. Brodeur becomes just the eighth netminder to record 75 career shutouts...4/4: Devils establish an NHL record for fewest goals allowed over an 80-plus game schedule - 164...4/12: Patrik Elias records two points to become the franchise's all-time post-season scoring leader with 28g-50a-78pts...6/10: Defenseman Scott Niedermayer receives the Norris Trophy as the league's top defenseman. Martin Brodeur picks up his second consecutive Vezina Trophy and fourth Jennings Trophy. Both are named to the NHL's First All-Star Team.

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