

# Maple Leafs Recipe for Success

by Chris McCarron

TSN hit the nail on the head when they said that the problem with the Leafs of the last ten years is that the team lacks an identity. Everyone knows that Les Canadiens are a defensive team and the Bruins are a hard working hitting team. The Leafs are not alone in lacking an identity. Recently the Flyers have become pathetic and just what is the Detroit Red Wings? A hard working club, not hard enough is the answer.

Tom Watt and Maple Leafs management must bring the '91 Leafs back to the team identity in the 60's and early 70's. Back to the days when Eddie Shack, Ron Ellis, Tiger Williams, Dave Keon, Norm Ullmane et al were busy checking, grabbing, and mugging their opponents. The former Maple Leafs were a successful team, a hockey power house which won 4 Stanley Cups in the 60's. The clutch and grab Leafs of the sixties were the model for the tremendous Bruins and

Flyers teams of the 70's. In 1991 head coach Tom Watt is blessed with some players who do work hard and punish opponents. These guys are Wendel Clark, Craig Berube and Todd Gill. What general manager Cliff Fletcher must do is trade any Leaf who doesn't live up to team expectations.

Any player isn't sweating his balls off must be traded to Winnipeg or somewhere. Get rid of Dave Reid, Thibadeau, etc. Toronto had been wise in not purchasing those expensive and inadequate Soviet players. (Boston's Rozika is an exception)

Wendel Clark is having a great Season so far. He was leading the NHL in scoring until he was injured. Expect a healthy Wendel Clark to explode in the top ten in NHL scoring this year. Take if form Wendel himself who had this to say to his team mates during practice "you guys better put butter on your heads, 'cause you're all toast."

## WEEKLY RINK SCHEDULE

**MONDAY:** 1:15-3:00pm open skate  
3:15-4:30 pick up hockey  
7:00-9:30 intramurals

**TUESDAY:** 9:00-11:00am pick up hockey  
1:15-2:00 pm figure skating  
2:00-3:00 open skate  
3:00-4:30 pick up hockey  
7:00-9:30 intramurals

**WEDNESDAY:** 7:30-8:30am vet  
9:00-10:30 pick up hockey  
11:30-12:30 open skate  
1:45-3:00pm pick up hockey  
3:15-4:30 open skate  
7:00-9:30 intramurals

**THURSDAY:** 7:30-8:30am vet  
9:00-11:00 pick up hockey  
1:15-3:00 open skate  
3:00-4:30 pick up hockey  
7:30-9:30 intramurals  
9:45-11:00 ringette

**FRIDAY:** 9:00-11:00am pick up hockey  
1:15-2:00 figure skating  
2:00-3:00 open skate  
3:00-3:45 pick up hockey

**SATURDAY:** 10:00-11:45am women's hockey  
3:30-5:30 family skate

**SUNDAY:** 10:00-12:00 men's hockey  
7:00-8:30 open skate

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