

Mauro Biello recognized at Marymount Academy



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Last week Marymount Academy International in NDG inaugurated the Mauro Biello Field to honour Marymount alumnus Mauro Biello for his years as an Impact player and time as head coach. Biello had a 19-year career with the Impact and holds the record for goals and appearances.

Biello attended Marymount from 1984 to 1989. Prior to that he was a student at St. Monica Elementary School. His children presently attend EMSB schools. "My favourite Marymount memory would be all the great friendships I made over the years and still have today," Mauro Biello said. "Marymount was a platform for me to learn and grow, as a student and person, which has helped me in my career."

Rocket take pair over Belleville in opening weekend

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The official launch to the 2017-2018 American Hockey League campaign got off to a great start for the Laval Rocket as they took both games last Friday and Saturday over the visiting Belleville Senators.

Laval came away with a 3-0 win in the opener and on Saturday afternoon, dropped the Sens by a 6-2 tally. IN both games the Rocket swept the three-star selections.

Friday kick-started the weekend as there was a Fan Jam prior to the doors opening at Place Bell for the inaugural match. To allow the sold-out crowd of 10,062 to clear the turnstiles and head for their seats.

Fans were treated to music, activities, food

trucks and special guests who walked the Rocket red carpet. Among those on hand were Habs president and CEO Geoff Molson who was greeted and thanked by countless fans for the arrival of the Rocket as well as Canadiens' alumni Guy Lafleur, Yvan Cournoyer and Rejean Houle. Once it was game time, there were fireworks as the team was introduced to their faithful and when the ceremonial puck drop took place it was Andre Richard, son of Maurice "Rocket" Richard and the team's namesake doing the honours. Laval did not disappoint as they provided their own brand of fireworks, building to a 2-0 lead that ended in a 3-0 final when LaSalle born Nicolas Deslauriers recorded the first empty-netter in the franchise's history. Daniel Audette and Mike McCarron had the other markers

for the Rocket while goalie Charlie Lindgren recorded the club's first shutout as he turned aside 26 Senators shots. The story of the game was the penalty killing as the Belleville powerplay went 0-for-8. "The PK should have been first star," Charlie Lindgren, who earned second star consideration said. "Going 8-for-8 in the first game is pretty impressive and we have to build on that."

Also amazing was the vibe in the building, the noise for the Rocket provided by the full

house. "It was absolutely incredible, it was so fun," Lindgren said. "The boys were talking about it when we went back into the locker room. It's so fun to play in front of a crowd like that, just amazing and as a player that's what you love to see."

Laval will look to continue their winning ways this Friday night at 7:30 and Saturday afternoon at 3 pm as the Binghampton Devils pay a visit to Place Bell. ■

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Doing the honours (from Left) Vincent Lucier, president Place Bell Amphitheatre, Louis Caron, VP Sales Bell Quebec, Dave Andrews, president of the AHL, Andre Richard, son of Maurice "The Rocket" Richard, Guy Lafleur, Geoff Molson and Laval mayor Marc Demers are set to drop the puck for Belleville's Mike Blunden and the Rocket's Chris Terry.

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Rocket goalie Charlie Lindgren earned Laval's first shutout on Friday night and second star consideration and picked-up his second win in two games on Saturday afternoon against the Belleville Senators

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