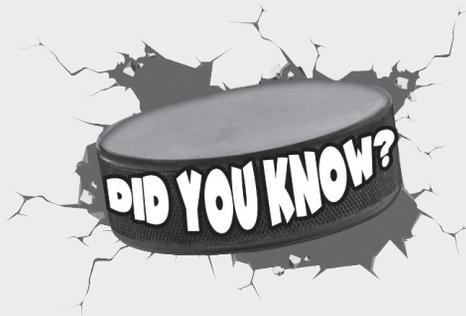


When One Was Enough

When the Los Angeles Kings played the Minnesota North Stars on November 10, 1979, the puck they were using was never shot into the stands. They played the whole game with just one puck, which is on display at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.



Arthur Farrell, who played for the Montreal Shamrocks, wrote the very first hockey book — way back in 1899. It's called Hockey: Canada's Royal Winter Game. Only three copies are known to exist.

Pucks in Space

Not only is hockey an international game, but it's had its adventures in space too. In October 1984, Dr. Marc Garneau, Canada's first astronaut, blasted into space aboard the shuttle *Challenger*. He carried a puck with him, which was later used in the ceremonial faceoff for the 1985 All-Star Game in Calgary. On January 22, 2013, astronaut Chris Hadfield — a huge Toronto Maple Leafs fan — took part in a ceremonial puck drop at the Air Canada Centre while he was on board the International Space Station. Of course, he needed a little help from some television special effects and a few former Maple Leafs stars here on Earth! Felix Potvin, Darcy Tucker and Darryl Sittler carried the puck from the roof of the arena down to centre ice.



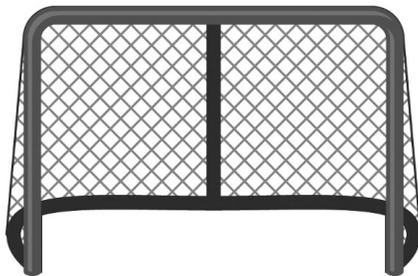
Their Cups Runneth Over

The Montreal Canadiens have won the Stanley Cup more than any other team in hockey history — 24 times! The Canadiens' first Stanley Cup victory happened back in 1916, before the NHL was formed.

What's It Worth?

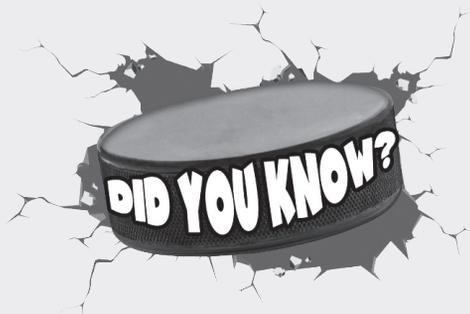
The original Stanley Cup bowl cost Lord Stanley 10 guineas at a silversmith's shop in London, England, in 1893. Ten guineas was worth a little bit more than \$50 at the time. While that doesn't sound like a lot of money, the average Canadian worker in the 1890s wouldn't have been paid much more than about \$50 a *month*!

As for the current trophy, it has an insurance value of \$75,000. But, of course, the thrill of winning the Stanley Cup is priceless!



Outta This World

The Stanley Cup visited the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral, Florida, for a day in the summer of 2004 with Tampa Bay Lightning general manager Jay Feaster and the team's director of public relations, Jay Preble. The Cup visited *Discovery* as the shuttle prepared for its March 2005 launch and got a VIP tour of the orbiter (shuttle) as it was being prepared (but the Cup had to wait outside since it couldn't fit through the hatch). The Cup also toured the massive Vehicle Assembly Building and visited the launch pad. Later on, 600 NASA employees were able to see Stanley for themselves.



Mike Sillinger holds the NHL record for the most teams played for. He suited up with 12 different clubs in his 17-year career.