



## **2015 ICE HOCKEY CLASSIC CAPTAINS & COACHES**



### **CANADA – COACH**

#### **Keith Primeau**

Ex-NHL Player, 15 seasons, former Captain of the Philadelphia Flyers

CAREER: 909 games, 266 goals, 353 assists, 619 points  
Center -- NHL

Born Nov 24 1971 -- Toronto, ONT [42 yrs. ago]

Height 6.05 -- Weight 220 [196 cm/100 kg]

**Keith Primeau** A 15-year NHL veteran, Keith played with the Red Wings, Whalers, Hurricanes and Captain for the Philadelphia Flyers. He suffered four documented concussions during playing career. Primeau played on Canada's Olympic Team at the 1998 Nagano Games.

During his 2003-04 season, Primeau was instrumental in leading the Flyers to the Eastern Conference Final, while reaching the 900-game and the 600-point plateau. Keith is now an American citizen and has become one of the top minor league coaches in the United States. Keith proudly announced retirement on September 14, 2006 as a result of ongoing post-concussion syndrome. On May 5, 2000, Primeau scored the game-winning goal in the longest game in modern **NHL playoff** history (five overtime periods for a total of 152 minutes and one second) against Ron Tugnutt of the Pittsburgh Penguins in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference Semifinals.

Drafted by Detroit Red Wings – Round 1 #3 overall 1990 NHL Entry Draft



### **USA – COACH**

#### **Wayne Primeau**

Ex-NHL player, 14 seasons, former Toronto Maple Leafs

CAREER: 744 games, 69 goals, 125 assists, 194 points  
Center – NHL

Born Jun 4 1976 -- Scarborough, ONT [37 yrs. ago]

Height 6.03 -- Weight 230 [191 cm/104 kg]

**Wayne Primeau** was drafted in the 1<sup>st</sup> round, 17<sup>th</sup> overall by the Buffalo Sabres. He played in 774 registering 69 goals, 125 assists for 194 points for Sabres, Flames, Lightning, Penguins, Sharks, Bruins and the Toronto Maple Leafs. He is the younger brother of Keith Primeau and one of

stopconcussions.com co-founders. Wayne is now a top level junior coach in Toronto, Canada.

Drafted by Buffalo Sabres – Round 1 #17 overall 1994 NHL Entry Draft

## SIBLING RIVALRY

### Coach Primeau VS Coach Primeau

In Wayne Primeau's very first NHL game, he played his big brother Keith. Taking the normal brothers' biff, from the bunk beds, to the ice - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Ydg5leZpFI>



### CANADA – CAPTAIN

#### Kyle Quincey

Detroit Red Wings

Defense -- shoots L

Born Aug 12 1985 -- Kitchener, ONT [29 yrs. ago]

Height 6.02 -- Weight 206 [188 cm/93 kg]

Kyle Quincey was born August 12, 1985 in Kitchener, Ontario. He was selected in the fourth round, 132nd

overall selection by the Detroit Red Wings in the 2003 NHL Entry Draft.

A solid defenseman, Quincey played three years in the OHL with stops in London and Mississauga while registering 113 points (35-78-113). Following his junior career Quincey joined the AHL's Grand Rapids Griffins and subsequently went on to make his NHL debut with Detroit during the 2005-06 season. Over the next two seasons, Quincy spent most of his time with the Griffins, however he managed to appear in six regular season games with a Red Wing club that captured the 2008 Stanley Cup championship.

Quincey played in the first game in Australia back in 2013 and was unable to compete last year but as an ambassador of [stopconcussions.com](http://stopconcussions.com) he was excited to throw his hat in the rink again and bring back the series to Canada.

Quincey has risen in importance on the blueline for the Detroit Red Wings and is enjoying one of his best seasons so far in his 8th year in the National Hockey League.



### USA – CAPTAIN

#### Zenon Konopka

Free Agent

Center -- shoots L

Born Jan 2 1981 -- Niagara-on-the-Lake, ONT

[33 yrs. ago]

Height 6.00 -- Weight 213 [183 cm/97 kg]

Konopka is exactly what USA needs this year to triumph over the Canadians. He knows as the captain

of the Americans will have his hands in all player decisions with Keith Primeau and Kerry Goulet. He is determined to bring the trophy back to his US home in Buffalo. Konopka has dual citizenship and chose the US because that is where he works and lives and will settle down south after his playing career. He is rough and tough with well over 600 stitches but is also the heart and soul of the US team. He will lead by example and was instrumental in winning the series last year with fellow linemate Emerson Etem. He coached Team USA in the first year and was unable to play because of a foot injury. But he's back again and he is the real deal. Zenon has taken the first part of the season off in the NHL due to a suspension and is resting his injured back. He will use the Australian Tour to get himself back and prepared to play in the NHL again for the 2015/16 season.