



# World Hockey Association Game Summary



New England Whalers 1 at Houston Aeros 4  
The Summit  
February 4, 1977

## First Period

1. Houston, P. Popiel (L. Lund) 11:51.

### Penalties:

T. Ruskowski, Hou 9:25; B. Callighen, NE 14:45; M. Lukowich, Hou 15:09; T. Earl, NE 18:29; P. Popiel, Hou 18:29; R. Busniuk, NE 18:31; G. Howe, Hou 18:31.

## Second Period

2. Houston, Mark Howe (Marty Howe) 0:32. 3. Houston, R. Preston (M. Lukowich, T. Ruskowski) 15:33.

### Penalties:

J. McKenzie, NE 1:36; J. McKenzie, NE 1:36; P. Popiel, Hou 1:36; P. Popiel, Hou 1:36; R. Busniuk, NE 1:36; M. Lukowich, Hou 1:59; C. Connor, Hou 8:57; G. Lyle, NE 8:57; R. Busniuk, NE 17:44; G. Howe, Hou 17:44; B. Callighen, NE 18:43.

## Third Period

4. New England, G. Lyle (T. Webster, G. Roberts) 6:40. 5. Houston, J. Tonelli (Mark Howe) 12:12.

### Penalties:

R. Preston, Hou 0:12; G. Roberts, NE 0:44; T. Ruskowski, Hou 5:49; C. Connor, Hou 8:04; R. Backstrom, NE 11:44; C. Connor, Hou 11:44; NE bench (served by T. Earl) 13:19; J. Tonelli, Hou (major) 13:19; C. Connor, Hou 15:45; T. Webster, NE 19:24.

### Shots:

New England	9	9	14	- 32
Houston	15	12	9	- 36

### Goaltending:

C. Raeder, NE (60:00 36 shots, 32 saves L). W. Rutledge, Hou (60:00 32 shots, 31 saves W).

**Attendance:** 11,959.

**New England Coach:** Harry Neale.

**Houston Coach:** Bill Dineen.