

The “Sports” Model Just Keeps on Recycling

Description

[I discussed the binary nature of people](#), as made very clear to me while sitting in a crowd of about 15K fans last week.

I got thinking about that more about that last night and think I’ll call the spectators “Zeros” and the people on the field of competition “Ones.”

Anyhow, I’m stretched out on the couch two nights ago, watching the Lightning/Wild game in HD, and during the second intermission, which I’m not intently watching, there’s some discussion of the Wild’s inception, and a quote and a picture were tossed up on the picture tube. I didn’t recognize the person, but I assume it maybe was one of the Wild’s first coaches. The quote was about how he had looked for people who thought the name on the front of the jersey was more important than the name on the back of it.

Yep, echoed by the sentiment of [Coach Wooden](#), when I heard him a few year back on the radio. He turned away great players who thought the team was there to support them and not the other way around. I’d say [his track record](#) says he was right to do that.

“A player who makes a team great is more valuable than a great player. Losing yourself in the group, for the good of the group, that’s teamwork.” — John Wooden

Good philosophy, for the coaches, but equally important for the people wearing the jerseys to live up to.

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