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Monk beams. He's one of the guys. Then he notices: a SMUDGE on the plexiglass shield.

~~MONK
A smudge.
HAL
What?
MONK
On the glass.
(sighs)
It's on the inside. We'll never get it. Just forget it. Just think about something else...
HOCKEY GAME- ON THE ICE (STOCK FOOTAGE)
On the ice: ONE PLAYER checks ANOTHER PLAYER against the glass.
RESUME- SCENE
The TWO PLAYERS SLAM against the plexiglass, directly in front of Monk. Their faces are pressed against the glass.
Monk stands up. He excitedly points to the smudge.
MONK (cont'd)
(to the Player)
GET THE SMUDGE! THERE'S A SMUDGE!
IT'S RIGHT THERE!~~

"MONK" - SURLY FAN

The CHECKED PLAYER is stunned, dazed. He sees Monk gesturing, and groggily wipes off the smudge. Then skates away.

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MONK (cont'd)
THERE'S STILL SOME LEFT! COME BACK!
YOU DIDN'T GET IT ALL!

During this, Monk has been standing in front of a SURLY FAN.

SURLY FAN
Down in front.

Hal turns to the FAN.

HAL
You got a problem?

SURLY FAN
With him. Not with you.

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SURLY FAN

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HAL

You got a problem with him, you got
a problem with me.

Hal throws a protective arm around Monk. The Surly Fan backs
down.

SURLY FAN

Okay, okay. No big deal.

// END

Monk beams. He's got a real friend.

HOCKEY GAME- ON THE ICE (STOCK FOOTAGE)

Later. On the ice. The game continues. A PLAYER hits the
PUCK! It goes sailing- over the plexiglass shield-

RESUME- SEATS- CONTINUOUS

The PUCK flies toward Monk like a bullet! It misses Monk by
inches! Monk reacts, stunned.

9 INT. ARENA - CORRIDOR - MOMENTS LATER

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Moments later. In a corridor. Near a SOUVENIR STAND.

Monk has bought a PLASTIC TEAM HELMET to protect his head.
Hal has bought one, too. They're putting the helmets on,
as...

MONK

It's embarrassing...

HAL

No. It's a great idea. It's like a
battle zone out there. They should
hand these out at the door.

A fan named LAWSON is walking past. Lawson is hardened,
tattooed; an ex-con. He notices Hal.

LAWSON

Hal? I thought that was you.
(reminding him)

Eddie Lawson. From the farm. You
look good, man. How long you been
out?

HAL

A year and a half.

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