



Jon Cooper

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Jon Cooper is a leader for the ages. Even during the most unprecedented of times, Cooper demonstrated his ability to lead and inspire his team. Despite the implementation of a playoff bubble, isolation from family and friends and the inability to enter the outside world, Cooper was able to motivate his players to victory. The Tampa Bay Lightning defeated the Dallas Stars in six games to win the 2020 Stanley Cup Championship after months without team practices or games.

A native of British Columbia, Jon Cooper, played high school hockey at Notre Dame in Wilcox, Saskatchewan. He then moved on to Hofstra University, where he obtained his bachelor's degree in business administration. While at Hofstra Jon was a four-year letter-winner with the men's Division I lacrosse team while also playing one year on the school's club hockey team. He then went on to earn a law degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School (now Western Michigan University Cooley Law School) in Lansing, Michigan, where he practiced until 2003 when he closed his practice to pursue a career in coaching.

Prior to being named the bench boss of the Lightning, Jon was awarded the Louis A.R. Pieri Memorial Award as the AHL's top coach in 2012 after guiding the Admirals to the Calder Cup Championship. Along the way, Cooper and his team set a North American professional sports record, winning a remarkable 28 consecutive games.

Cooper was named the eighth head coach in Lightning franchise history in 2013. In a little more than six seasons as the Lightning's bench boss, Cooper has amassed a 304-159-44 record -- his .643 regular season points percentage is the highest in franchise history. In both 2014 and 2019, Cooper was named a finalist for the Jack Adams Award, given annually to the NHL's top coach.

He guided the Lightning to the best regular season in franchise history and one of the finest ever in the NHL in 2018-19, culminating in the franchise's first-ever Presidents' Trophy after finishing 21 points better than second place Boston and Calgary in the final regular season standings.

Jon is active with a number of charitable causes. Among others, he continually participates in the battle against pediatric cancer and holds an annual event called Coop's Catch for Kids, a charity fishing derby which benefits local childhood cancer research and care organizations.

In addition to being one of the best coaches in NHL history, Cooper makes it a point to give back to his community. His knowledge of leadership, business, law and team building are just the beginning of skills he can share with any organization or audience.



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