

# ROCHESTER AMERICANS HOCKEY CLUB

SIX-TIME CALDER CUP CHAMPIONS 1965 | 1966 | 1968 | 1983 | 1987 | 1996

Tues. | **Feb. 11, 2025** | 7:05 PM | Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse | AHL Game 708 | AHLTV on FloHockey, The Fan Rochester

## ROCHESTER AMERICANS GAME NOTES

Blue Cross Arena at the Rochester War Memorial | 1 War Memorial Square | Rochester, NY, 14614 | Amerks.com/Media | @AmerksPR



### TONIGHT'S GAME OVERVIEW

The Rochester Americans (28-12-3-1) open an arduous stretch of four games in six nights tonight while also seeking their sixth straight win when they take on the Cleveland Monsters (24-13-4-4) at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse. The 7:05 p.m. matchup will be carried live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM The Fan Rochester as well as AHLTV on FloHockey.

The Amerks come into the matchup with the most road wins (18) across the AHL and sit just three points behind Laval for first place in the North Division standings with 60 points through 44 games season.

Rochester has scored a division-leading 155 goals, which are second-most in the AHL behind only the Calgary Wranglers. Additionally, the Amerks have an AHL-best 37 points on the road this season and have outscored their opponents by an astounding 89-67 margin as the visiting team.

### HEAD-TO-HEAD RESULTS AGAINST CLEVELAND

Rochester boasts a 45-22-8-4 record against Cleveland over the last 11 years dating back to the start of the 2011-12 campaign and has earned at least one point in 36 of the last 53 games overall.

The Amerks have scored at least one power-play goal in 17 of the 34 games (21-for-116) against Cleveland since the 2020-21 season. Despite the club killing off 103-of-134 penalties during that same span, they have successfully cleared 17 of the last 18 shorthanded situations over the last five games. Rochester did not take a penalty in the previous meeting back on Dec. 22, 2024.

Amerks forward **Isak Rosén** has totaled 16 points (5+11) in 20 career games against Cleveland dating back to the start of the 2022-23 season. His best outing over that span came back on Nov. 18 of last season when he finished with four points (2+2) along with a plus-four rating in a 7-5 Amerks win.

Rochester enters tonight having outshot Cleveland 216-142 this season. The Amerks had 40 or more shots in the first four games against the Monsters, a feat they had not done against an opponent in at least 10-plus years.

The Amerks have also outscored the Monsters 18-14 and 21-8 in the first and second periods, respectively, since the start of the 2023-24 campaign.

### LAST TIME OUT

The Amerks picked up right where they left in their return from the annual AHL All-Star break and **Devon Levi** again lived up to his All-Star status as the second-year netminder turned in another flawless 29-save performance to pick up his third shutout of the season while backstopping the club to a 4-0 win over the Belleville Senators Friday at The Blue Cross Arena.

The win extended Rochester's win streak to five straight games and improved the Amerks to 6-0-0-1 over their last seven home contests. Rochester has outscored Belleville 22-8 through four meetings this season, which includes a 19-6 margin in the previous three since Dec. 13, 2024.

**Kale Clague**, **Konsta Helenius**, and **Anton Wahlberg** (1+1) all recorded two points with a goal and an assist each. **Graham Slaggert** (1+0), **Jack Rathbone** (0+1), **Viktor Neuchev** (0+1), **Vsevolod Komarov** (0+1), and **Nicolas Aubé-Kubel** (0+1) rounded out the scoring in the win.

Levi pushed his record to a 15-4-2 mark through his first 21 appearances with Rochester this season. The netminder, who has helped the Amerks to at least one standing point in 37 of his 47 games since making his debut in December of 2023, stopped all 29 shots he faced to pick up his 15th win.

### 2024-25 AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Isak Rosén	41	23	16	39	5	8
Brett Murray	44	20	16	36	11	18
Zachary Metsa	44	3	29	32	13	10

### GOALTENDER

GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA	
Devon Levi	21	15-4-2	522	.917	2.22
Felix Sandström*	14	9-4-1	341	.900	2.89
Michael Houser	11	4-4-1	237	.891	2.92

### 2024-25 MONSTERS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Trey Fix-Wolansky	39	16	23	39	-2	29
Rocco Grimaldi	41	12	26	38	0	8
Luca Del Bel Belluz*	34	17	20	37	9	6

### GOALTENDER

GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA	
Zach Sawchenko	17	8-5-3	379	.894	2.90
Jet Greaves	27	13-7-5	781	.908	3.05

\*=Currently with Columbus (NHL)

### 2024-25 HEAD-TO-HEAD BREAKDOWN

Cleveland Monsters	Rochester Americans
27-24-4-4	<b>Record</b> ..... 28-12-3-1
12-6-2-3	<b>Home Record</b> ..... 10-6-2-1
12-7-2-1	<b>Road Record</b> ..... 18-6-1-0
4-2-3-1	<b>Last 10 Games</b> ..... 7-3-0-0
6-4	<b>Overtime Record</b> ..... 3-3
2-4	<b>Shootout Record</b> ..... 3-1
15-3-2-2	<b>Record When Scoring First</b> ..... 17-6-1-0
19.8% (8th)	<b>Power-Play</b> ..... 18.0% (T-13th)
81.6% (19th)	<b>Penalty Kill</b> ..... 83.9% (10th)
Feb. 8 @ WBS (5-4 OTL) ...	<b>Last Game</b> ..... Feb. 7 vs BEL (4-0 W)
Trent Vogelhuber (3rd).....	<b>Head Coach</b> ..... Michael Leone (1st)

### 2024-25 SERIES BREAKDOWN VS. CLEVELAND

Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Oct. 23	W	6-1	49-26	0-3	5-5
Oct. 26	SOW	5-4	45-42	1-3	2-3
Nov. 6	W	4-2	48-24	1-3	2-3
Nov. 27	L	5-4	41-25	0-6	4-4
Dec. 2	W	3-2	33-25	0-3	0-0



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## ROSEN TO THE OCCASION

With seven goals and eight points in his last five outings, **Isak Rosén** enters the week with the second-most goals (23) in the AHL, just three back of Toronto's Alex Steeves. The third-year pro has already surpassed last year's mark of 20 in an astonishing 27 fewer games and is on pace to become the first Amerk to reach 30-goal mark since Victor Olofsson in 2018-19.

The Stockholm, Sweden, native is just 11 points back of his 50-point (20+30) campaign from 2023-24 that saw him tie **Mason Jobst** for the team lead. January was kind to Rosén, as the winger finished the month January with 12 points (9+3) in 11 games.

Named the AHL Player of the Week for period ending Feb. 2, Rosén currently leads all Amerks in shots (107), goals (23), points (39), game-winning goals (5), unassisted tallies (4) and is second in power-play assists (9). The third-year pro has also recorded at least one point in 23 of his 41 contests this season and has been held without a point just six times since Christmas.

A first-round choice (14th overall) by Buffalo in the 2021 NHL Draft, Rosén has totaled nine appearances and nine shots with the Sabres to date, including two this season.



## NO METSA'IN AROUND

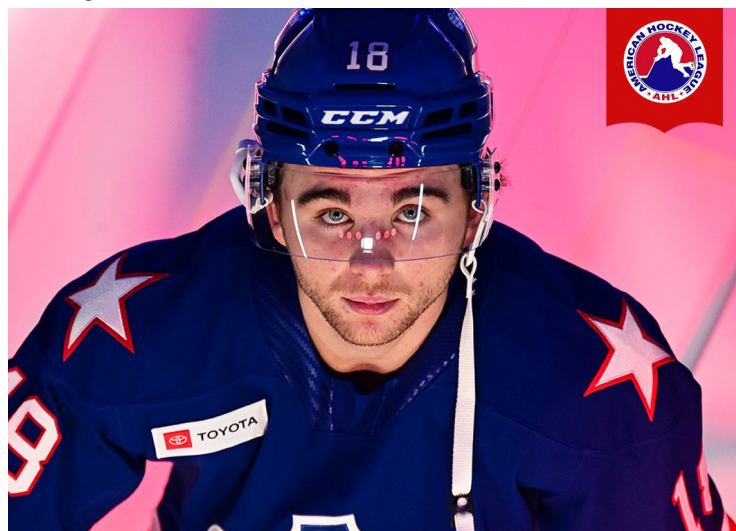
Defenseman **Zachary Metsa** enters the contest third on the team in scoring and first amongst all Rochester blueliners with a career-best 32 points (3+29) while being the only defenseman to appear in all 44 games.

Metsa has points in 23 of his 44 contests, which included stringing together an assist in five straight games for the first time in his career. He's totaled 16 points (2+16) since Dec. 22, punctuated by his second three-assist effort of the campaign in the win over Springfield back on Jan. 3.

The second-year blueliner's 32 points are third-most in league scoring by a defenseman, just four back of Syracuse's Derrick Pouliot and within two of Charlotte's Trevor Carrick.

Metsa, who captained Quinnipiac University to its first-ever NCAA National Championship in 2023, is second amongst all AHL players with 29 assists.

Last season, the Delafield, Wisconsin, native logged seven goals and 24 points in 54 games, earning co-Rookie of the Year honors.



## MURRAY SPECIAL

Eleven of **Brett Murray's** 20 goals this season have come on the power-play, including four which ended up being the game-winner.

Murray currently leads the AHL in power-play goals and ranks second on the Amerks with 35 points (20+16) through 44 games. He comes into the week with points in 13 of his last 19 games, including multi-goal efforts in back-to-back outings and goals in three straight games for the first time in his professional career. Murray has reached the 20-point mark in all six seasons with the Amerks since joining Rochester ahead of the 2019-20 campaign and has scored at least 17 goals in each of the last three years.

Last week, Murray represented the North Division alongside teammates **Isak Rosén** and **Devon Levi** at the 2025 AHL All-Star Classic, finishing with two points (1+1) and three shots during the tournament.

With the exception of his rookie season, the veteran forward has recorded at least six power-play goals in five of his first six professional seasons, which includes a new career-high (9) through the first 31 games of this season.

On Jan. 29 against Utica, Murray became just the 28th forward in franchise history to appear in at least 300 games with the club and first since Phil Varone (306) did so during the 2015-16 campaign. He enters tonight 45 games away from tying Don McSween for 20th on the franchise's all-time games played list (348).



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