

ROCHESTER AMERICANS HOCKEY CLUB

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Wednesday | **Feb. 19, 2025** | 7:05 PM | The Blue Cross Arena | AHL Game 762 | AHLTV on FloHockey, The Fan Rochester

ROCHESTER AMERICANS GAME NOTES

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vs



TONIGHT'S GAME OVERVIEW

The Rochester Americans (30-14-3-1) continue their five-game homestand as they welcome the Cleveland Monsters (26-14-4-4) back to The Blue Cross Arena for a North Division showdown tonight. 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 having won seven of their last nine games and sit just one point behind of Laval for first place in the AHL's North Division standings with 64 points through 48 games.

Rochester, which ranks second in the AHL with 167 goals, became just the third team this season to reach the 30-win mark, joining Laval and Hershey. After last Saturday's win at Utica, the Amerks have successfully reached the 30-win mark in each of the last nine seasons dating back to 2015-16.

HEAD-TO-HEAD RESULTS AGAINST CLEVELAND

Rochester boasts a 46-22-8-4 record against Cleveland over the last 11 years dating back to the start of the 2011-12 campaign, including five of the first six meetings this season. The Amerks also went a perfect 4-0-0-0 in the road portion of the season series in 2024-25.

The Amerks have scored at least one power-play goal in 17 of the last 35 games (21-for-121) against Cleveland since the 2020-21 season. Despite the club killing off 107-of-138 penalties during that same span, they have successfully cleared 21 of the last 12 shorthanded situations over the last six games.

Amerks forward **Isak Rosén** has totaled 18 points (6+12) in 22 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 253-164 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 20-15 and 22-8 in the first and second periods, respectively, since the start of the 2023-24 campaign.

LAST TIME OUT

Playing their third game in as many days, the Amerks rallied back from a 2-0 deficit only to see Laval pull away with three straight unanswered goals over the second half of the contest to close out the weekend on the wrong side of a 5-2 loss Sunday afternoon at The Blue Cross Arena.

Despite the loss, Rochester's second straight on home ice, the Amerks have posted a 14-5-1-0 record at The Blue Cross Arena against Laval dating back to the 2017-18 season.

Defenseman **Jack Rathbone** scored his second goal in as many games and fifth of the campaign in the first period while forward **Mason Jobst**, who celebrated his 31st birthday on Monday, added his 11th in the middle stanza. **Ethan Prow**, **Ryan Johnson**, **Josh Dunne**, and **Anton Wahlberg** capped off the scoring, each recording an assist.

Goaltender **Devon Levi** (16-6-2) drew his second start of the weekend and made his 24th appearance with Rochester. The Quebec native, who entered Sunday with a 3-0-0 mark in his three previous appearances against the Rocket, suffered his second regulation home loss since Dec. 18. **Michael Houser** (4-4-1) stopped 11 of the 12 shots he faced in 24 minutes of relief.

2024-25 AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Isak Rosén	45	25	18	43	6	8
Brett Murray	48	21	16	37	9	20
Lukas Rousek	48	6	27	33	10	36

GOALTENDER

	GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Devon Levi	24	16-6-2	573	.911	2.36
Felix Sandström	15	10-4-1	370	.900	2.90
Michael Houser	12	4-4-1	248	.800	2.92

2024-25 MONSTERS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Rocco Grimaldi	44	12	31	43	3	10
Trey Fix-Wolansky	41	18	24	42	-1	31
Luca Del Bel Belluz	37	18	21	39	9	6

GOALTENDER

	GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Zach Sawchenko	18	9-5-3	402	.895	2.85
Jet Greaves	29	14-8-5	845	.910	3.01

2024-25 HEAD-TO-HEAD BREAKDOWN

Cleveland Monsters vs Rochester Americans

26-14-4-4.....**Record**..... 30-14-3-1

12-7-2-3.....**Home Record**..... 10-8-2-1

14-7-2-1.....**Road Record**..... 20-6-1-0

4-2-3-1.....**Last 10 Games**.....7-3-0-0

6-4.....**Overtime Record**..... 4-3

2-4.....**Shootout Record**..... 3-1

16-4-2-1.....**Record When Scoring First**.....17-6-1-0

18.5% (13th).....**Power-Play**..... 17.7% (19th)

82.5% (15th).....**Penalty Kill**.....84.9% (4th)

Feb. 16 @ CHI (3-2 W).....**Last Game**..... Feb. 16 vs LAV (5-2 L)

Trent Vogelhuber (3rd).....**Head Coach**..... 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	2-7	5-7
Nov. 27	L	5-4	41-25	0-6	4-4
Dec. 2	W	3-2	33-25	0-3	0-0
Feb. 11	W	5-1	37-22	0-5	4-4



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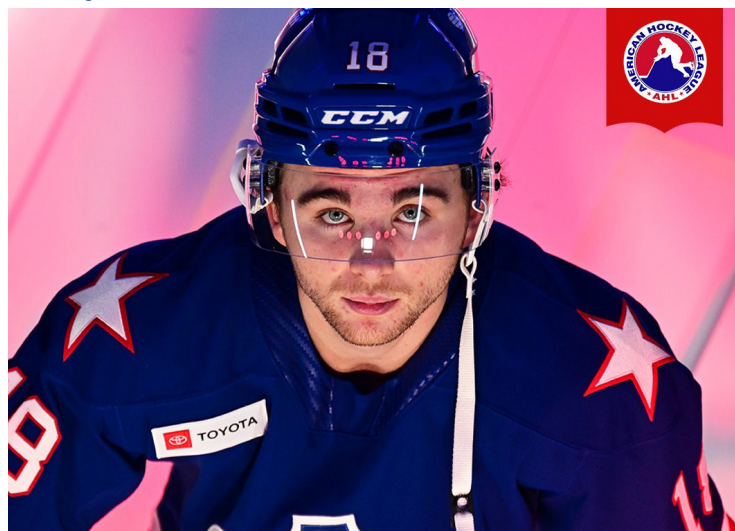
ROSEN TO THE OCCASION

With nine goals and 12 points in his last nine outings, **Isak Rosén** begins the week with the second-most goals (25) in the AHL, just four back of Toronto's Alex Steeves. The third-year pro has already surpassed last year's mark of 20 in an astonishing 25 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 seven 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 goals (25), points (43), unassisted tallies (5), tied for first in power-play assists (10) and second in shots (115). The two-time AHL All-Star selection has also logged at least one point in 25 of his 45 contests this season and has been held without a point just seven 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.



MURRAY MAKING HIS MARK

Eleven of **Brett Murray's** 21 goals this season have come on the power-play, including five which ended up being the game-winner.

Murray currently is tied for the AHL lead in power-play goals and ranks second on the Amerks with 37 points (21+16) through 48 games. He comes into the week with points in 14 of his last 23 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. Murray, who represented the North Division alongside teammates **Isak Rosén** and **Devon Levi** at the 2025 AHL All-Star Classic, has also now reached the 20-goal mark for the second time in three years.

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 Sunday, Murray became just the 27th forward in franchise history to appear in at least 307 games with the club, passing Phil Varone (306), who did so during the 2015-16 campaign. He's also 41 games away from tying Don McSween for 20th on the franchise's all-time games played list (348).



NO METSA'IN AROUND

Defenseman **Zachary Metsa** enters the contest fourth 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 48 games.

Metsa has points in nearly half of his 48 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 tied for sixth-most amongst all AHL defenseman, seven back of Syracuse's Derrick Pouliot and within two of former teammate and current Belleville Senator Jeremy Davies.

Metsa, who captained Quinnipiac University to its first-ever NCAA National Championship in 2023, is tied for fifth amongst all 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.



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