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Binghamton Devils vs. Rochester Americans

Friday, January 12, 2018 @ The Blue Cross Arena, AHL Regular Season Game #548

TONIGHT'S GAME

- The Rochester Americans (22-8-4-3) put a three-game point streak on the line tonight as they host the Binghamton Devils (11-19-4-2) in a North Division matchup at The Blue Cross Arena. The 7:05 p.m. contest will be the fifth of 10 scheduled meetings between the the two teams this season and will be carried live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM ESPN Rochester. Tonight's game will also be televised on MSG.

LAST TIME OUT

- The Amerks were 15 seconds away from coming out with a 2-1 win against the Belleville Senators at Yardmen Arena Wednesday but the Sens tied the game late before escaping with a 3-2 overtime win.
- Despite the loss in the extra frame, the Amerks have managed to pick up at least one point in 24 of their last 28 games and have collected 43 points dating back to Nov. 1. Additionally, the overtime loss kept the Amerks as the only team with one regulation loss away from The Blue Cross Arena as they show a 12-1-4-2 record in 19 road games this season.
- The Amerks were led by **Hudson Fasching** (1+1) and **Colin Blackwell** (0+2) as they each turned in multi-point efforts while **Taylor Fedun** netted his first goal of the season as he appeared in just his third game since returning from an injury that kept him out nearly two months. Goaltender **Adam Wilcox** made 32 saves but took the overtime loss to drop his record to 5-3-4 in 14 appearances this season.

ROAD AHEAD FOR AMERKS

- The Amerks travel east down the I-90 to face-off with the Syracuse Crunch on Saturday, Jan. 13 at the War Memorial Arena. The matchup will be the fifth of 10 meetings between the two teams this season and will be carried live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM ESPN Rochester.

TEAM & PLAYER NOTES

- The Amerks enter the matchup with a 7-2-1-0 record in their last 10 games and have collected at least one point in 30 of their first 37 games of the season. Rochester is just one point behind the Toronto Marlies for the top spot in the North Division with 51 points and rank second in the Eastern Conference with a .689 win-percentage behind only the Marlies coming into tonight.
- Goaltender **Linus Ullmark** and rookie defenseman **Brendan Guhle** are expected to return to the Amerks this weekend after the pair were recalled by the parent Buffalo Sabres earlier in the week. Both appeared in Buffalo's 3-1 win over Columbus last night, with Guhle notching his first NHL point with an assist on Kyle Okposo's

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TOTAL GOALS
92-115



11-19-4-2 (28 points)

22-8-4-3 (51 points)

AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
C.J. Smith	37	11	20	31	12	10
Sahir Gill	37	12	13	25	2	-6
Zach Redmond	29	8	16	24	22	8

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Linus Ullmark	26	17-5-3	1,483	722	.928	2.27
Adam Wilcox	14	5-3-4	771:14	348	.904	2.88

NEXT THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 13	@ Syracuse	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 15	vs. Utica	1:05 p.m.
Jan. 17	@ Utica	7:00 p.m.

LAST THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Jan. 10	Belleville	OTL 3-2	23-35	0-2	3-4
Jan. 6	Lehigh Valley	W 3-1	35-27	1-5	3-3
Jan. 5	Bridgeport	OTW 3-1	28-30	1-2	6-6

YEARLY RECORD	GF	GA	POINTS	
HOME	10-7-0-1	57	50	21
AWAY	12-1-4-2	58	48	30
TOTALS	22-8-4-3	115	98	51

SENATORS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Jacob MacDonald	35	12	17	29	23	-16
Nick Lappin	30	13	9	22	19	-13
Bracken Kearns	36	7	15	22	20	-10

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Mackenzie Blackwood	19	4-10-3	1,025	427	.868	3.81
Ken Appleby	15	5-7-2	836:43	354	.892	3.08
Eddie Lack	9	3-4-2	546:58	232	.913	2.41



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game-winning goal. Ullmark, meanwhile, had a solid showing, turning aside an NHL career-high 44 saves in his season debut, the most in a win by a Sabres goaltender since Anders Nilsson stopped 46 of 47 shots on Nov. 19, 2016 vs. Pittsburgh.

- Similar to last season, no other goaltender has played more games than Ullmark, who has won 16 of his last 22 starts and is 14-2-3 in his last 19 games. Recently named to his second straight AHL All-Star appearance, Ullmark enters the weekend third in the AHL in saves (722) and minutes played (1,483) and is tied for first in wins (17) and shutouts (2). The former Swedish Goaltender of the Year and reigning team MVP is also tied for fourth and fifth amongst all AHL goaltenders with a .928 save percentage and 2.27 goals-against average, respectively.

- Joining Ullmark at the 2018 AHL All-Star Classic is rookie forward **C.J. Smith**, who ended a season-long seven-game scoring drought with his 11th goal of the year in last Saturday's win over Lehigh Valley. The 23-year-old forward paces the team with 20 assists and 31 points while being one of just three skaters to appear in all 37 games thus far this season. His plus-10 on-ice rating is also tops on the team. The Des Moines, Iowa, native currently ranks fourth in scoring among all AHL rookies, while his 20 assists are second between all first-year skaters and are tied for 13th-most in the league.

- The Amerks own three of the top 16 point-producing defensemen in the AHL in **Zach Redmond**, **Stuart Percy** and **Guhle**. Redmond, who leads all Amerks defensemen with 24 points (8+16) through 28 games, is tied for third in goals by a defenseman with eight, matching the career-high he previously set twice as a member of the St. John's IceCaps. His 24 points place him third among all AHL defensemen in scoring. Guhle is tied for second in scoring among all AHL rookie defensemen with 20 points (7+13) while his seven goals are also second-most among first-year blueliners in the league.

SCOUTING THE DEVILS

- Following a pair of home losses, the Devils come into the matchup with a 3-5-1-1 record over their last 10 outings.
- Binghamton has allowed 123 goals this season while scoring 92, which are fewest among all Eastern Conference teams. Of the 92 goals for the Devils, 37 have come in the opening 20 minutes of play.
- Following his second three-point (1+2) effort of the season in last Friday's matchup with Belleville, Binghamton defenseman Jacob MacDonald has taken of the scoring lead for the Devils with 29 points (12+17), in addition to a team-high 95 shots, through 35 games this season. The 24-year-old shows seven points (2+5) in his last 14 games after starting the season with 22 through 21 games.
- Goaltenders Mackenzie Blackwood and Ken Appleby have shared the majority of the duties this season for the Devils. Blackwood shows a 4-10-3 record in 19 appearances while Appleby carries a 5-7-2 record in 15 games. Newcomer Eddie Lack, who was acquired by New Jersey on Dec. 30 from the Calgary Flames, has started three of the last four.

AMERKS-DEVILS 2017-18 SEASON SERIES BREAKDOWN

ROCHESTER						
SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Sahir Gill	4	0	6	6	2	0
Evan Rodrigues	3	2	3	5	0	3
Steve Moses	4	2	2	4	0	1
GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Linus Ullmark	2	2-0-0	120:00	3	.952	1.50
Adam Wilcox	2	1-1-0	122:02	8	.855	3.93
BINGHAMTON						
SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Bracken Kearns	4	1	3	4	4	1
Jacob MacDonald	4	1	3	4	4	-4
Viktor Loov	4	2	1	3	0	-1
GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Mackenzie Blackwood	4	1-1-1	201:21	10	.896	2.98
Ken Appleby	1	0-1-0	39:05	6	.667	9.21

2017-18 SEASON SERIES GAME-BY-GAME BREAKDOWN

Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Nov. 15	W	3-0	36-31	2-5	1-1
Nov. 18	L	5-0	18-36	0-7	4-5
Nov. 24	W	10-3	29-32	3-4	3-5
Nov. 25	OTW	4-3	32-19	1-7	4-5
Jan. 12					
Feb. 3					
Feb. 17					
Feb. 18					
Mar. 23					
Mar. 31					

AMERKS ALL-TIME RECORD VS. BINGHAMTON: 14-16-0

(Includes totals carried over from when the franchise was located in Albany)

SERIES NOTABLES

- The last three 10-goal games by the Amerks have all come on home ice against a different Binghamton-based AHL franchise.
 - Nov. 24, 2017 vs. Binghamton Devils
 - Dec. 16, 2006 vs. Binghamton Senators
 - Mar. 24, 1996 vs. Binghamton Rangers
- Earlier this week, the Devils signed forward and Rochester native Phil Lane to a Pro Tryout. Lane, the older brother of former Amerk Matt Lane, has one goal in four games since joining Binghamton.