



//// BINGHAMTON DEVILS ////  
**GAME NOTES**  
 //// ROCHESTER AMERICANS ////



## Binghamton Devils vs. Rochester Americans

Sunday, March 10, 2019 @ The Blue Cross Arena | AHL Regular Season Game No. 928

### TODAY'S GAME OVERVIEW

- After a quick turnaround, the Rochester Americans (37-18-3-2) and Binghamton Devils (24-33-5-0) close out the weekend this afternoon in Rochester as the home-and-home series shifts to The Blue Cross Arena. The 3:05 p.m. matinee will be carried live on The Sports Leader AM 950/95.7 FM ESPN Rochester and on AHLTV. Additionally, the contest will be televised locally on MSG Network.

### LAST TIME OUT

- On the strength of a pair of goals from forwards **Taylor Leier** and **Victor Olofsson**, as well as another two-point (1+1) night from **Alexander Nylander**, the Amerks won their fifth straight road contest by a 5-3 score over the Devils last night at Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena. It was the seventh meeting between the intrastate rivals this season and the first of two on the weekend as the Amerks look to complete the sweep this afternoon when the home-and-home series shifts to the Flower City.

- Along with the win, which keeps the Amerks within a point of the Syracuse Crunch for the first place in the AHL's North Division standings, the team has collected 33 out of a possible 46 points in its last 23 games. The victory also gave Rochester points in 12 of the last 16 games against the Devils dating back to the start of the 2017-18 slate. The Amerks show a 9-4-2-1 record during that span.

- In addition to Leier and Olofsson each tallying a pair of goals in the win, **Rasmus Asplund**, who had his first multi-goal of the season Friday night, added two assists as did **Danny O'Regan**. Nylander extended his goal-scoring streak to four games as he scored his fourth during that span and 12<sup>th</sup> of the campaign to go with an assist while goaltender **Adam Wilcox** improved to 10-7-3 on the slate as he made 30 saves.

### ROAD AHEAD FOR AMERKS

- The Amerks return to action on Wednesday, March 13 as they conclude their season-series against the Utica Comets with a 7:05 p.m. North Division showdown. The contest from The Blue Cross Arena will be carried live on The Sports Leader AM 950/95.7 FM ESPN Rochester as well as AHLTV.

### RACE TO 20

- After failing to produce a 20-goal scorer last season for just the second time in franchise history, the Amerks could potentially have five or more by the season's end. **Zach Redmond**, **Victor Olofsson** and **C.J. Smith** all completed the feat earlier this season. **Wayne Simpson** has scored a career-high 19, **Danny O'Regan** has 18 coming into the today and **Taylor Leier** is approaching his first 20-goal season since the 2015-16 campaign as he has tallied 17. The last time the Amerks had five 20-goal scores in the same season was in 2000-01.

### 2018-19 REGULAR SEASON



**TOTAL GOALS**  
165-200



**24-33-5-0 (53 points)**

**37-18-3-2 (79 points)**

### AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Victor Olofsson	57	23	27	50	12	5
Zach Redmond	49	21	26	47	32	11
C.J. Smith	47	20	27	47	18	18
GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Scott Wedgewood	37	23-10-2	2,106	961	.913	2.59
Adam Wilcox	22	10-7-3	1,242	521	.897	2.90
Jonas Johansson	5	4-1-0	265:52	126	.926	2.26

### NEXT THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Time
Mar. 13	vs. Utica	7:05 p.m.
Mar. 15	@ Charlotte	7:00 p.m.
Mar. 16	@ Charlotte	6:00 p.m.

### LAST THREE GAMES

Date	Opponent	Result	SF-SA	PP	PK
Mar. 9	Binghamton	W 5-3	30-33	1-5	4-5
Mar. 8	Bridgeport	W 5-0	39-27	1-4	4-4
Mar. 3	Syracuse	L 4-1	37-27	0-5	5-8

YEARLY RECORD	GF	GA	POINTS	
<b>HOME</b>	18-12-0-1	102	88	37
<b>AWAY</b>	19-6-3-1	98	82	42
<b>TOTALS</b>	37-18-3-2	200	170	79

### DEVILS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Blake Pietila*	43	16	19	35	36	-22
Michael McLeod*	52	6	25	31	37	3
John Quenneville*	32	16	14	30	35	-6
GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	SVS	SV%	GAA
Cam Johnson	22	8-13-1	1,263	537	.870	3.80
Evan Cormier	9	4-3-0	474:09	226	.926	2.28

\*Currently on NHL recall with New Jersey



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### OLOFSSON HITS THE 50-POINT MARK

• Coming off his eighth game-winning goal last night in Binghamton, which is second-most in the league behind only teammate **Zach Redmond**, forward **Victor Olofsson** leads the club with 50 points (23+27) in 57 games this season and is one of just three Rochester skaters to surpass the 40-point mark. A year after pacing the SHL with 27 goals, Olofsson became the first Amerk to reach the 50-point mark since Cole Schneider during the 2016-17 campaign with his second of two goals last night. Olofsson also holds a share of the team-lead in assists (27) while his 23 goals are most among all Rochester skaters. Olofsson, who earned CCM/AHL Player of the Month honors for October, is tied for 14<sup>th</sup> in the AHL in power-play assists (15) while ranking inside the league's top 20 top point-getters. He hasn't gone more than four straight games without a point all season.

### RED HOT 'REDS'

• With 17 points (5+12) over his last 12 games, which includes six multi-point efforts during that span, Redmond has scored a career-high 21 goals through 49 games, including 10 on the power-play, good enough for 10<sup>th</sup> in the league in that category. Redmond, who is currently averaging just under a point-per-game and had an AHL-best nine-game point streak to end the month of October, continues to lead all AHL defensemen with 47 points while his 21 goals and 174 shots are also the most by an AHL blueliner this season. In addition, his nine game-winning goals are tops in the AHL.

### A WEDGE-WALL BETWEEN THE PIPES

• **Scott Wedgewood**, who has won six of his last seven and 14 of his last 19 games, collected his 23<sup>rd</sup> win of the season Friday night as he made 27 saves. With his 23<sup>rd</sup> victory, Wedgewood established a new pro career-high in wins as he boasts a 23-10-2 record in 37 games for Rochester this season. The sixth-year netminder, who previously won a season-long five straight to close out the month of October, has allowed one goal-against or less in six of his last 11 starts, stopping 285 of 305 shots he faced. Over that span, he's posted a 6-3-1 record with a 1.81 goals-against average and a .934 save percentage. He comes into today tied for third among all AHL goaltenders in shutouts (4) while his career-high 23 wins are four off the league lead coming into this afternoon's home-and-home finale with Binghamton.

### SMITH PILING UP THE POINTS

• **C.J. Smith** has been piling up the points on an absolute torrid pace. With another assist Friday night against Bridgeport, the second-year pro has amassed a whopping 30 points (14+16) over his last 26 games dating back to Dec. 5, having been held scoreless just six times over that span. He also posted a season-long nine-game point streak in that time. Smith is just one of three Amerks skaters to reach the 40-point plateau this season having already established career-highs in both goals (20) and points (47) while tying a personal-best 27 assists in 11 fewer games (46) from his rookie campaign a year ago. Additionally, his plus-18 on-ice rating leads all Rochester forwards.

### AMERKS-DEVILS 2018-19 SEASON SERIES BREAKDOWN

#### ROCHESTER

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Victor Olofsson	7	4	2	6	4	-1
Taylor Leier	5	3	2	5	0	1
Alexander Nylander	6	2	3	5	0	0

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Adam Wilcox	3	2-0-0	157:48	6	.917	2.28
Scott Wedgewood	4	3-1-0	239:37	11	.912	2.75
Jonas Johansson	1	0-1-0	21:53	4	.600	10.97

#### BINGHAMTON

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
Blake Pietila	5	3	2	5	2	-2
John Ramage	7	1	3	4	2	-1
Marian Studenic	7	1	3	4	0	-1

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	MIN	GA	SV%	GAA
Evan Cormier	1	0-0-0	11:13	0	1.000	0.00
Mackenzie Blackwood	4	2-2-0	226:37	9	.932	2.38
Cam Johnson	1	0-1-0	58:20	4	.862	4.11

### 2018-19 SEASON SERIES GAME-BY-GAME BREAKDOWN

Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Nov. 24	W	4-3	28-38	0-2	5-5
Dec. 1	L	3-0	22-38	0-2	1-2
<b>Dec. 12</b>	L	5-1	31-37	0-4	1-1
<b>Jan. 23</b>	W	7-5	30-30	1-1	1-1
Feb. 1	W	3-2	34-18	1-5	4-4
<b>Feb. 17</b>	W	5-1	39-28	0-0	5-5
Mar. 9	W	5-3	30-33	1-5	4-5
<b>Mar. 10</b>					
Mar. 30					
<b>Apr. 13</b>					

**AMERKS ALL-TIME RECORD VS. BINGHAMTON: 21-21-1**  
*(Includes totals carried over from when the franchise was located in Albany)*

### SERIES NOTABLES

- The Amerks enter the matchup with points in 12 of the last 16 games against the Devils dating back to the start of the 2017-18 slate. Rochester holds an 9-4-2-1 record during that span.
- Goaltender **Scott Wedgewood** spent parts of seven seasons in the Devils organization after being drafted by New Jersey in the third round of the 2010 NHL Draft. He appeared in 116 games from 2012-17, including a lone appearance last season, posting an impressive 51-36-9 record with eight shutouts.