## **ROCHESTER AMERICANS HOCKEY CLUB**

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Saturday | March 8, 2025 | 3:00 PM | Place Bell | AHL Game 876 | 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



#### **TODAY'S GAME OVERVIEW: BATTLE FOR SUPREMACY II**

The Rochester Americans (34-15-3-3) will look for redemption following a quick turnaround as they close out the weekend with a rematch against the Laval Rocket (36-15-2-1) today at Place Bell. The 3:00 p.m. matinee 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 at least one point in 13 of their last 16 games dating back to Jan. 25 and sit just one point behind Laval for first place in the North Division and the entire AHL with 74 points.

Rochester has scored the second-most goals in the AHL (191), trailing only Coachella Valley, which has played one more game than the Amerks. The Amerks currently lead the AHL in road wins (20) while the Rocket have the second-most points on home ice in the Eastern Conference at 40.

#### **HEAD-TO-HEAD RESULTS AGAINST ROCKET**

Rochester has picked up at least one point in 18 of its first 25 road games in Laval, going 16-7-2-0 over that span. Conversely, since the start of the 2017-18 campaign, the Amerks have posted a 14-5-1-0 mark at The Blue Cross Arena versus Laval, including all four meetings last season.

Rochester has never had a losing season versus the Rocket and have gone 4-3-1-0 in back-to-back seasons. The Amerks posted a 6-2-0-0 mark in eight games during the 2023-24 campaign while currently showing a 2-3-1-0 record through the first five games this season, with both wins coming in Place Bell back on Nov. 20 and Dec. 11.

Throughout his career, Amerks captain **Mason Jobst** has been able to use the Rocket's jet fuel for his own momentum, amassing nine goals and 17 points against Laval through 23 career games against them.

Goaltender and Quebec native **Devon Levi** has made five career starts against Laval, earning a win in three appearances. In his first three contests versus the Rocket, Levi allowed just three combined goals before allowing four tallies each of his last two games.

Both teams have near-perfect records when leading after the first period: Rochester is 20-4-0-1 while Laval is 17-4-0-0 in that regard.

# **LAST TIME OUT**

The Amerks carried a one-goal lead into the third period of Friday's contest at Place Bell, but could not endure a four-goal run by Laval, who emerged with a 4-3 win in the first of back-to-back meetings between the AHL's top two teams.

Despite the loss, Rochester has picked up at least one point in 18 of its last 25 road games in Laval, going 16-7-2-0 over that span. The Amerks, who have logged at least one point in 13 of their last 16 games overall dating back to Jan. 25, will look to reclaim the top spot in the AHL's standings with a rematch today against Laval.

Captain **Mason Jobst** scored his 14th goal of the season before also logging an assist for a multi-point game for Rochester while **Tyson Kozak** and **Noah Östlund** each found the back of the net. Östlund's tally marked his fourth in as many games while Kozak added his eighth, which is a career-best.

**Lukas Rousek, Zachary Metsa, Brett Murray, Anton Wahlberg**, and **Konsta Helenius** all chipped in an assist in the defeat. Goaltender **Devon Levi** (19-7-3) made 28 saves, which included 25 in the first 40 minutes of play, but suffered his first career loss in his home province.

2024-25 AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS							
SKATER	GP	G	Α	PTS	+/-	PIM	
Isak Rosén	51	26	24	50	10	10	
<b>Brett Murray</b>	52	23	16	40	13	20	
Zachary Metsa	55	5	32	37	13	14	

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Devon Levi	29	19-7-3	718	.917	2.25
Felix Sandström	15	10-4-1	370	.900	2.90
Michael Houser	14	5-4-2	292	.893	2.83

2024-25 LAVAL	OVE	RALL SCOR	ING & GO	DALTEN	IDING LEA	DERS
SKATER	GP	G	Α	PTS	+/-	PIM
Alex Barré-Boulet	47	16	31	47	9	34
Laurent Dauphin	46	18	22	40	17	34
Josh Roy	45	19	15	34	4	10
GOALTENDER		GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Cayden Primeau	J	15	13-2-0	356	.908	2.37
<b>Connor Hughes</b>		24	13-9-2	575	.907	2.55

## 2024-25 HEAD-TO-HEAD BREAKDOWN

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Laval Rocket	Rochester Americans
36-15-2-1 <b>Rec</b>	ord34-15-3-3
19-6-1-1 <b>Home F</b>	<b>lecord</b> 14-8-2-1
17-9-1-0 <b>Road R</b>	ecord 20-6-1-2
4-4-0-0 <b>Last 10</b>	Games 5-3-0-2
7-2 <b>Overtime</b>	<b>Record</b> 4-3
3-1 <b>Shootout</b>	t <b>Record</b> 4-3
24-8-1-0 <b>Record When</b>	Scoring First20-7-1-1
17.9% (21st) <b>Power</b>	- <b>Play</b> 19.2% (16th)
81.4% (T-19th) <b>Penalt</b>	y Kill85.5% (2nd)
Mar. 7 vs ROC (4-3 W) <b>Last G</b>	iame Mar. 7 @ LAV (4-3 L)
Pascal Vincent (1st)Head (	Coach Michael Leone (1st)

	2024-25 SERI	ES BRE	EAKDOV	VN V	S. LAVAL	
Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK	
Nov. 13	OTL	3-2	31-25	0-4	2-4	
Nov. 16	L	4-1	26-18	0-3	2-2	
Nov. 20	OTW	2-1	39-27	1-4	5-5	
Dec. 11	W	3-1	29-26	1-4	2-2	
Feb. 11	L	5-2	36-23	0-3	2-2	
Mar. 7	L	4-3	25-32	1-2	4-4	



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## **ROSEN TO THE OCCASION**

With 10 goals and 18 points in his last 15 outings, **Isak Rosén** enters the weekend tied for third in the AHL in goals (26) and fourth in points (50) through 51 games this season while earning a recall to the Sabres.

The third-year pro has already surpassed last year's mark of 20 goals in an astonishing 20 fewer games and is on pace to become the first Amerk to reach 30-goal mark since fellow Swede Victor Olofsson in 2018-19.

Coming off his one-goal, one-assist effort in last Wednesday's win over Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, Rosen has recorded eight multi-point outings since the turn of the new year.

Named the AHL Player of the Week for period ending Feb. 2, Rosén leads all Amerks in goals (26), points (50), unassisted tallies (5), power-play assists (13) and shots (136). The two-time AHL All-Star selection has been held without a point just 11 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.



## **LEVI EARNS TOP GOALTENDER HONORS FOR FEBRUARY**

A week after earning AHL Player of the Week honors, **Devon Levi** was recognized again for his overall performance during the month of February as the league's top goaltender.

Levi made seven starts in February and allowed a total of 11 goals on 175 shots, good for a 5-2-0 record, a 1.66 goals-against average and a .937 save percentage. He also posted three shutouts while leading Rochester atop the AHL standings in the process.

Levi made 29 saves in a 4-0 win over Belleville on Feb. 7, and turned aside 21 of 22 shots to help the Amerks to a 5-1 win in Cleveland on Feb. 11. After getting pulled in the second period of a loss to Laval on Feb. 16, Levi responded with back-to-back shutouts, making 26 saves in a 4-0 win over Cleveland on Feb. 19 and stopping 30 shots in regulation and overtime plus all five shootout attempts to earn a 1-0 win over Toronto on Feb. 22. Levi closed out the month by registering 28 saves in a 5-2 win over Wilkes-Barre/Scranton on Feb. 28.

Levi currently has a record of 19-7-3 in 29 games for Rochester this season, ranking fourth in the league with a 2.25 goals-against average, fifth with a .917 save percentage and tied for first with five shutouts. The 23-year-old native of Dollard-des-Ormeaux, Que., represented the Amerks at the 2025 AHL All-Star Classic last month, and has made nine NHL appearances with Buffalo in 2024-25 as well.



# OSTI, OSTI, OSTI

Noah Östlund was among Rochester's top point-producers in the month of February. The rookie forward has tallied 11 goals and 23 points on the season, with 14 of his points (8+6) coming over the last four weeks and has goals in four straight.

The Stockholm, Sweden, native recorded five multi-point games in February, and on Feb. 15th in Utica, the Sabres' prospect scored his first career overtime-winner to lift the Amerks to a 4-3 win over the Comets.

Since Jan. 17, Östlund has amassed 20 points (10+10) over his last 20 games. The first-year pro's reliability in both the defensive and offensive zone shows, as Östlund leads all Rochester forwards in plus/minus (+15). His plus/minus also is third across all AHL first-year forwards.

Östlund, who turns 21 in three days, was taken in the first round of the 2022 NHL Draft when Buffalo selected him 16th overall. He was drafted 12 spots ahead of **Jiri Kulich** and a year after fellow Swede **Isak Rosén** was taken in the first round of the 2021 Draft.





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