

ROCHESTER AMERICANS HOCKEY CLUB

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ROCHESTER AMERICANS GAME NOTES

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TONIGHT'S GAME OVERVIEW

The Rochester Americans (8-5-0-0) embark on another three-game week tonight as they welcome the Belleville Senators (5-6-1-0) for the second of eight scheduled meetings between the two teams this season. Game time from downtown Rochester is slated for a 7:05 p.m. start and will be carried live on The Sports Leader 95.7 FM/950 AM The Fan Rochester as well as AHLTV on FloHockey.

SEASON SERIES SNAPSHOT

Tonight's divisional matchup marks the first of four in Rochester between the two clubs after the Amerks claimed a 4-1 victory in the season series opener back on Oct. 29. **Red Savage** scored his first goal as an Amerk in the first period. **Anton Wahlberg** and **Jake Leschyshyn** capped off the scoring.

Rochester has won seven of its last 10 games against Belleville dating back to the 2023-24 season.

Konsta Helenius (5+7) led all players in the 2024-25 season series with five goals and 12 points in eight games opposite Belleville last season, including his first-career AHL hat trick in the 4-0 win on April 5.

Both teams, who were unbeaten last season when leading after the first and second periods, enter tonight also without a loss this year with Rochester boasting a combined 11-0-0-0 record while Belleville is 6-0-0-0.

Ryan Johnson, who is three games removed from skating in his 100th AHL game, scored his first professional goal against Belleville back on Feb. 21 as part of a three-game point streak (1+2). The goal ended up being his first of two over a three-game stretch from Feb. 21 to Feb. 26, 2024 and was also his last only goal against a divisional opponent.

The Amerks are 9-7-0-1 over the last five seasons in Belleville, earning at least one point in 10 of the last 17 matchups over that span. Conversely, Rochester sports a 6-7-1-2 mark in the Flower City.

ALONG CAME JONES

The arrival of newcomer **Zac Jones** has provided a significant boost to the Amerks blueline, but it's his offensive contributions that have made the most impact, which earned him his second recall to Buffalo last Friday.

Sparked by a career-high three-assist effort in Rochester's 4-0 shutout win over Laval on Oct. 24, Jones ranks second in the league with 13 assists and continues to pace all AHL defensemen in points through his first 11 games.

More impressively, Jones has recorded all but two of his team-leading 13 assists on the power-play, which are also most in the league coming into the second week of November.

Jones, whose been held scoreless just four times since the start of the season, has recorded two or more assists on three occasions. Rochester is a perfect 3-1-0-0 this season when Jones records a multi-assist game.

With 13 points through his first 11 games, it's the most productive start to the season for Jones, who is well on pace to shatter his previous career-high of 35 points from his 2021-22 rookie campaign with Hartford.

Since making his pro debut with the New York Rangers during the COVID-shortened 2020-21 season, the sixth-year blueliner has amassed 62 assists and 80 points across 119 games at the AHL level with Rochester and Hartford while also notching 28 points (4+24) with the New York Rangers, who drafted him in the third round (68th overall) of the 2019 NHL Draft.

2025-26 AMERKS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Zac Jones*	11	0	13	13	-4	2
Isak Rosén*	8	5	7	12	1	4
Konsta Helenius	13	4	6	10	-33	8

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Devon Levi	7	6-1-0	171	.905	2.59
Topias Leinonen	3	1-2-0	61	.884	2.70
Alexandar Georgiev	2	0-2-0	60	.896	3.57

*=Currently with Buffalo (NHL)

2025-26 SENATORS OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Stephen Halliday	12	1	10	11	-5	8
Xavier Bourgault	12	4	6	10	-5	2
Arthur Kaliyev	10	4	4	8	-1	4

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	SVS	SV%	GAA
Hunter Shepard	6	2-4-0	194	.915	3.01
Leevi Meriläinen*	3	2-1-0	99	.900	3.67
Mads Søgaard	3	0-1-1	39	.830	3.80

=Currently with Ottawa (NHL)

2025-26 HEAD-TO-HEAD BREAKDOWN

Belleville Senators vs Rochester Americans

5-6-1-0	Record	8-5-0-0
3-3-0-0	Home Record	4-1-0-0
2-3-1-0	Away Record	4-3-0-0
5-4-1-0	Last 10 Games	6-4-0-0
0-1	Overtime Record	1-0
1-0	Shootout Record	0-0
2-1-0-0	Record When Scoring First	6-0-0-0
15.9% (23rd)	Power-Play	25.0% (6th)
85.4% (T-5th)	Penalty Kill	82.4% (T-11th)

2025-26 SERIES BREAKDOWN VS. BELLEVILLE

Date	Result	Score	SF-SA	PP	PK
Oct. 29	W	4-1	39-24	1-6	5-6



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ROCHESTER REINFORCEMENTS

Just over a full month into the start of the 70th anniversary season, Rochester has dressed 16 different forwards, nine defensemen, and four goaltenders.

Forwards **Josh Dunne**, **Noah Östlund**, and **Isak Rosén** have all earned multiple call-ups to the Sabres, with all three scoring their first NHL goals within eight days of one another on home ice at KeyBank Center.

It marked the first time three different Sabres have done so in eight or fewer days since Richard Smehlik (Oct. 10, 1992 at Hartford), Viktor Goudioug (Oct. 11, 1992 vs. Montreal) and Yuri Khmylev (Oct. 17, 1992 at Washington) did so in an eight-day span.

Defensively, **Ryan Johnson** began this season in Buffalo, appearing in three games for the blue and gold. The former first-round pick has appeared in 47 career NHL games with Buffalo since making his pro debut in 2023-24.

A day after celebrating his 27th birthday, Amerks captain **Zach Metsa** made his NHL debut Buffalo's 4-2 loss at Montreal on Oct. 20. Jones, meanwhile, has yet to appear in a game this season with the Sabres.

ROSEN TO THE OCCASION

Through his first eight games of the 2025-26 season, **Isak Rosén**, who was recalled to the Buffalo Sabres on Halloween day and named AHL Player of the Month for October, led all Amerks with five goals and 12 points during the first month of the season while his seven assists were second-most.

The Stockholm, Sweden, native scored his first NHL goal in Buffalo's 4-3 shootout win over Washington on Nov. 1.

During the 4-0 shutout win over Laval on Oct. 24, the fourth-year forward chipped in a pair of points on one goal and one assist in his 200th career game with Rochester. He became the second Amerk that week to reach the 200-game club, joining **Brendan Warren**, who achieved the feat the game prior.

In 105 career games against American-based opponents since making his debut in 2022-23, Rosén has recorded 79 points (34+45) with 97 shots.

Including his Amerks debut on Oct. 14, 2022, which was also a multi-point game, Rosén has tallied 42 contests with two or more points. Rochester has won each of the last 30 games during that span and show a 40-1-1-0 record overall. The club's lone regulation loss came back on Oct. 20, 2023 when he had two assists versus the Rocket whereas the only overtime defeat was on Nov. 11, 2022 (also recorded a pair of helpers) against the Cleveland Monsters.

Since the start of the 2024-25 campaign, the Amerks own a 25-1-0-0 mark when the two-time AHL All-Star has found the back of the opposition's net. The only loss came versus the Syracuse Crunch on Dec. 18, 2024.



PRECISION FROM LESCHYSHYN

With two goals last Wednesday and another on Friday night, newcomer **Jake Leschyshyn** surpassed Rosén for the team lead with six goals. The seventh-year pro has muscled nine points (6+2) through 13 games to start his tenure as an Amerk, with six points (5+1) over as many games since Oct. 25.

Across seven seasons and four teams, Leschyshyn has amassed 56 goals and 112 points over 284 AHL games.

The Raleigh, North Carolina, native will face his team from the last three seasons (Hartford) this weekend as the Amerks continue play against Atlantic Division opponents.

Leschyshyn is a second-generation pro, with his father, Curtis, being a veteran of over 1,000 NHL games and a Stanley Cup Champion with the Colorado Avalanche in 1996.



CALLING ON CARSON

Forward **Carson Meyer** is expected to make his Amerks debut tonight. Meyer, 28, began the season on the Buffalo Sabres roster, as he continued to recover from a season-ending injury sustained during last season that required surgery.

The sixth-year pro signed a two-year, two-way contract with Buffalo over the offseason after spending four of his first five pro seasons under the Columbus Blue Jackets umbrella. There, Meyer appeared in 41 NHL games, posting six points (2+4). His AHL numbers display at 65 goals with 66 assists through 201 contests, largely with Cleveland from 2020-2024. Meyer has finished each of his six seasons with double digits in assist and has plotted at least nine goals and 20 or more points.

Last season, the Powell, Ohio, native played for San Diego, amassing 21 points (9+12) over 29 games before his season ended abruptly Feb. 15. Despite appearing in a limited role, Meyer finished ninth in points and 10th in goals and assists amongst all Gulls' forwards.

Meyer, who was named as one of the Amerks' alternate captains ahead of the season opener, saw Belleville plenty during his first tour of duty in the North Division, scoring three goals and nine points over 13 games against the Senators.



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