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The Amerks and Bruins conclude their season series tonight as Providence makes its lone visit of the season to Blue Cross Arena. Entering the week, four points is all that separated the two teams in the Eastern Conference standings with the Bruins having earned at least one point in seven of their last 10 games.

* STAR PLAYERS *

GEORGII MERKULOV

Merkulov has performed at nearly a point-per-game pace all season for Providence, leading the team with 32 assists and ranking second with 45 points in 50 games. An AHL All-Rookie Team selection in 2023, Merkulov has also skated in 10 NHL games with Boston, including six this season which produced his first NHL point.

ERIK BRÄNNSTRÖM

Brännström has had a productive season, putting up 16 points (3+13) despite appearing in only 17 games. Acquired by Buffalo at the NHL trade deadline, the former first-round pick has now played at least one game for three different AHL organizations this season after making his Amerks debut on Wednesday.



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JERSEY NUMBER: 74 POSITION: DEFENSE

AGE: 21

HOMETOWN:

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	Roster as of March 10, 2025															
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29	Houser, Michael^	6-1	195	9-13-92	Youngstown OH	1	Rochester	ahl Ahl	7		19	3-1-		3.39	.871	Undrafted
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32	Sondström, Felix	6-2	214	1-12-97	Gavle, Sweden	1	Philadelphia	NHL	5		63	1-2-		3.87	.823	2015, 3 rd Round
32	Jerramont, Felix	4.5	214	-12-77	Julia, Judgett		Lehigh Valley	AHL	24	1,41		13-7-		3.15	.884	2013, 3 NOUNG
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5	Rathbone, Jack (D)	5-10	185	5-20-99	Boston, MA	L	W-B/Scranton	AHL		67	8	16	24	12	21	2017, 4 th Round
7	Prow, Ethan^ (D)	5-11	182	11-17-92	Sauk Ropids, MN	Ř	Rochester	AHL		56	4	15	19	-7	6	Undrafted
8	Joshua, Jagger (LW)	6-3	210	3-29-99	Dearborn, MI	L	W-B/Scranton	AHL		63	10		25	14	93	Undrafted
11	Rousek, Lukáš (RW)	5-11	202	4-20-99	Ostrov nad Ohri, Czechia	R	Buffalo	NHL		15	0	2	2	-1	0	2019, 6th Round
							Rochester	AHL		51	10	31	41	-5	16	
12	Fiddler-Schultz, Riley (C)	6-0	200	5-13-02	Fort Saskatchewan, AB	l	Rochester	AHL		6	1	0	1	-5	10	Undrafted
							Jacksonville	ECHL		51	23	20	43	12	26	
18	Rosén, Isak (RW)	6-0	180	3-15-03	Stockholm, Sweden	ι	Buffalo	NHL		7	0	0	0	-3	0	2021, 1* Round
							Rochester	AHL		67	20		50	- 4	12	
19	Slaggert, Graham (C)	5-11	195	4-6-99	South Bend, IN	L	Rochester	AHL		46	6		12	-1	24	Undrafted
	Metsa, Zach (D)	5-9	195	10-19-98	Delafield, WI	R	Rochester	AHL		54	7		24	15	16	Undrafted
23	Johnson, Ryan (D)	6-1	195	7-24-01	Newport Beach, CA	R	Buffalo	NHL		41	0	7	7	3	12	2019, 1* Round
							Rochester	AHL		27	0	9	9	5	6	
26	Jobst, Mason (C)	5-8	185	2-17-94	Speedway, IN	L	Rochester	AHL		64	22	28	50	-9	49	Undrafted
28	Brännström, Erik (D)^	5-10	185	9-2-99	Eksjö, Sweden	l	Ottowa	NHL		7	3	17	20	5	36	2017, 1* Round
44	Kozak, Tyson (C)	5-11	185	12-29-02	Souris, MB	L	Rochester	AHL		41	5	7	12	-5	14	2021, 7 th Round
45	Warren, Brendan (RW)	6-0	194	5.7.97	Carleton, MI	L	Rochester	AHL		3	5	1	6	4	27	Undrafted
52	Kisakov, Aleksandr (LW)	5-10	170	11-1-02	Solikamsk, Russia	1/	Rochester	AHL		32	5		13		12	2021, 2 nd Round
55	Dunne, Josh (C)	6-4	211	12-8-98	O'Fellon, MO	K		AHL		25	2	5	1		24	Undrafted
56	Clague, Kale (D)	6-0	190	6-5-98	Regina, SASK	ι	Buffolo	NHL		3	0	1		0	2	2016, 2 rd Round
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71	Tullio, Tyler (RW)	5-11	185	4-5-02	Detroit, MI	K	Bakersfield	AHL		54	9		21	-]	36	2020, 5th Round
74	Novikov, Nikita (D)	6-4	205	7-25-03	Moscow, Russia	L		AHL		65	3		23	20	42	2021, 6th Round
79	Neuchev, Viktor (LW)	5-11	171	10-25-03	Chelyabinsk, Russia	L	Rochester	AHL		57	11		28	10	8	2022, 3 rd Round
81	Murray, Brett (LW)	6-5	228	7-20-98	Bolton, ON	L	Buffalo	NHL		2	0	0	0	-1	2	2016, 4 th Round
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63	Komarov, Vsevolod* (D)	0-4	208	1-11-04	Chelyabinsk, Russia	R		QMJHL		22	3	16	19	3	51	2022, 5 th Round
97	Octored Names com	6.11	171	2 11 04	Stockhalm Sunder		Drummondville Podester	QMJHL		38	11	39	50	44	54	2022 14 8
60	Ostlund, Noah* (LW)	5-11	171	3-11-04	Stockholm, Sweden	ι	Rochester Values NC	AHL		2	0	11	22	10	2	2022, 1° Round
01	Halanias Vanetas (C)	5.11	100	5.11.04	Vloisori Dielend	р		SHL		38	12		23	12	10	2024 1¢ Pourd
	Helenius, Konsta* (C) Wahlberg, Anton* (C)	5-11	189	5-11-06 7-4-05	Ylojarvi, Finland Malmö, Sweden	R L	Jukurit Mikkeli Rochester	SM-liiga AHI		51	14	22	36	-3	10	2024, 1* Round 2023, 2≈ Round
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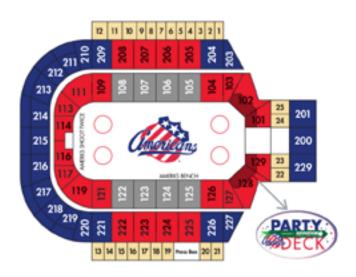
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A Message from The President

Dear Fans.

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2024-25 American Hockey League season, the latest chapter in a tradition of excellence that can be traced back to our league's founding nearly nine decades ago.

The AHL is as proud as ever of its role as the top development league for nearly all of the players, coaches, executives, trainers, broadcasters and officials who you see throughout the National Hockey League today. Generations of our great fans have cheered on future superstars, Stanley Cup champions and Hockey Hall of Famers as they have come through the AHL.

This season is sure to be another memorable one, from the excitement of opening night to the pageantry of the AHL All-Star Classic in Coachella Valley to the pure emotion of the Calder Cup Playoffs.

On behalf of all of our teams, thank you for your continuing support of the AHL.

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THE BEGINNINGS

Embarking on its **89th season** in 2024-25, the American Hockey League is continuing a tradition of excellence that began in 1936 when the Canadian-American Hockey League joined with the International Hockey League to form what is today known as the AHL. Eight teams hit the ice that first season, representing Buffalo, Cleveland, New Haven, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Providence, Springfield and Syracuse.

Frank Calder, the

National Hockey League's president at the time, was instrumental in the forming of this new league, and his name would be given to its championship trophy. The first Calder

Cup was won by the

Syracuse Stars in 1937;

the Hershey Bears

captured their league-

best 13th championship

last spring.

From those roots, the
American Hockey League has
grown into a 32-team, coastto-coast league that provides
fans with exciting, high-level
professional hockey while
preparing thousands of
players, coaches, officials,
executives, trainers,
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careers in the NHL.

BY THE NUMBERS

87.0%

Percentage of all NHL players in 2023-24 who were graduates of the AHL

890

Former AHL players who skated in the NHL last season

349

AHL players who also played in the NHL in 2023-24

251

Former 1st- and 2nd-round NHL draft picks who skated in the AHL in 2023-24



THE PLAYERS

In today's National Hockey League nearly 90 percent of the

players are AHL alumni,

including 2023-24 Vezina
Trophy winner Connor
Hellebuyck, Lady Byng
Trophy recipient Jaccob
Slavin and Bill Masterton
Trophy winner Connor
Ingram. The 2024 Stanley
Cup champion Florida
Panthers were stocked
with AHL graduates
including former league
scoring champion Carter
Verhaeghe and two-time
AHL All-Star Brandon
Montour.

During the 2023-24 season, a total of 890 AHL alumni played in the National Hockey League. There were 349 players who skated in both leagues last year alone, and 251 former first- and second-round NHL draft picks developed their skills in the AHL last season, including Shane Wright, David Jiricek, Jiri Kulich, Lukas Reichel, Marco Kasper, Brad Lambert, Yaroslav Askarov, Brandt Clarke and 2024 Calder Cup Playoffs MVP Hendrix Lapierre.

THE LEGENDS

For nearly nine decades, the American Hockey League has been home to some of the greatest players in the history of our sport. In fact, there are 133 honored members of the Hockey Hall of Fame who have been affiliated with the AHL during their careers. All-time greats from Milt Schmidt and Gump Worsley to Roberto Luongo and Martin St. Louis came through the AHL ranks and now find themselves enshrined in Toronto, and the coveted Calder Cup is inscribed with the names of legendary AHL alumni like Johnny Bower, Larry Robinson, Gerry Cheevers, Andy Bathgate, Tim Horton, Al Arbour, Emile Francis, Patrick Roy, Doug Harvey and Billy Smith.

THE COACHES

At the start of the 2024-25 season, the National Hockey League featured 22 head coaches who were former AHL bench bosses, including Paul Maurice of the 2024 Stanley Cup champion Florida Panthers and Kris Knoblauch of the Western Conference champion Edmonton Oilers.

Tampa Bay's Jon Cooper, New Jersey's Sheldon Keefe, San Jose's Ryan Warsofsky, Colorado's Jared Bednar, Washington's Spencer Carbery and Seattle's Dan Bylsma are also among the current NHL coaches who spent time in the American Hockey League before making the jump.





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