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## SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
10.19	@Iowa	5:35 p.m.
10.20	@Iowa	5:35 p.m.
10.27	KANSAS CITY	7:05 p.m.
10.28	KANSAS CITY	7:05 p.m.
10.31	@Kansas City	6:05 p.m.
11.03	@Kansas City	6:35 p.m.
11.04	@Kansas City	5:05 p.m.
11.05	@Tulsa	3:05 p.m.
11.09	TULSA	7:05 p.m.
11.10	TULSA	7:05 p.m.
11.11	TULSA	7:05 p.m.
11.17	@Wichita	6:05 p.m.
11.18	@Wichita	6:05 p.m.
11.19	@Wichita	3:05 p.m.
11.22	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
11.24	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
11.25	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
12.03	@Wichita	3:05 p.m.
12.07	WICHITA	7:05 p.m.
12.08	WICHITA	7:05 p.m.
12.09	WICHITA	4:05 p.m.
12.13	@Idaho	7:10 p.m.
12.15	@Idaho	7:10 p.m.
12.16	@Idaho	7:10 p.m.
12.20	@Allen	6:10 p.m.
12.22	@Allen	6:10 p.m.
12.23	@Allen	3:10 p.m.
12.29	IOWA	7:05 p.m.
12.30	IOWA	7:05 p.m.
12.31	IOWA	7:05 p.m.
01.05	@Tulsa	6:05 p.m.
01.06	@Tulsa	6:05 p.m.
01.07	@Tulsa	3:05 p.m.
01.10	FORT WAYNE	7:05 p.m.
01.12	FORT WAYNE	7:05 p.m.
01.13	FORT WAYNE	7:05 p.m.
01.15	ECHL ALL-STAR GAME	Savannah, Ga.
01.19	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
01.20	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
01.24	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
01.25	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
01.26	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
02.02	@Maine	5:15 p.m.
02.03	@Maine	4:00 p.m.
02.04	@Maine	1:00 p.m.
02.09	KANSAS CITY	7:05 p.m.
02.10	KANSAS CITY	7:05 p.m.
02.14	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
02.16	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
02.17	IDAHO	7:05 p.m.
02.22	@Greenville	5:05 p.m.
02.24	@Greenville	5:05 p.m.
02.25	@Greenville	1:05 p.m.
02.28	SAVANNAH	7:05 p.m.
03.01	SAVANNAH	7:05 p.m.
03.02	SAVANNAH	7:05 p.m.
03.08	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
03.09	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
03.11	@Utah	7:10 p.m.
03.15	@Kansas City	6:35 p.m.
03.16	@Kansas City	5:05 p.m.
03.22	UTAH	7:05 p.m.
03.23	UTAH	7:05 p.m.
03.24	UTAH	4:05 p.m.
03.27	ALLEN	7:05 p.m.
03.29	ALLEN	7:05 p.m.
03.30	ALLEN	7:05 p.m.
04.03	@Idaho	7:10 p.m.
04.05	@Idaho	7:10 p.m.
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04.13	WICHITA	7:05 p.m.

All times listed MT

## TONIGHT'S MATCHUP



**RAPID CITY RUSH** (0-0-0-0, T-1<sup>st</sup> Mountain)  
at  
**IOWA HEARTLANDERS** (0-0-0-0, T-1<sup>st</sup> Central)



Friday – October 19, 2023  
Xtream Arena – Coralville, Iowa  
6:35 p.m. MT

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## HEADLINES

### RUSH FACE HEARTLANDERS FOR THE FIRST TIME AT XTREAM ARENA

Rapid City will open the 2023-24 season by making their first trip to Coralville in team history. The Heartlanders visited The Monument in the 2021-22 season, but will now have the opportunity to host in the rush in inter-division play. Iowa won the final two games of the three-game series in their inaugural season, a 4-3 overtime win on Saturday, Jan. 8 and a 9-1 thrashing of the Rush on Sunday, Jan. 9. Rapid City will end the calendar year by hosting Iowa for three games Dec. 29-31 of this year.

### SCOTT BURT GOES FOR CAREER WIN 70

Since taking over as bench boss for the Rush in 2021, Scott Burt has changed the team culture and has led the Rush to the playoffs and nearly got them there again last season. Burt is hanging on to 69 career ECHL head coaching victories. Between his tenure in Rapid City, coupled with his time as an assistant in Idaho and Alaska and his playing career, Burt has appeared in 946 ECHL games in some capacity.

### CAPTAINS NAMED FOR 2023-24 SEASON

Announced to all Rush season ticket holders at their annual banquet on Tuesday night, Head Coach Scott Burt revealed that Alex Aleardi and Logan Nelson will share the "C" designation and Jimmy Soper and Tyson Helgesen have been named alternate captains. For the first half of the season, Aleardi will wear the "C" on the road and an "A" at home, while Nelson will be the home captain and a road alternate. The two will switch home and road duties at the halfway point of the year. Soper will suit up as a road alternate, with Helgesen wearing an "A" at home for the opening half of the year. The pair will also swap home and away honors at the midpoint of the year.

### GRIND

Always one to turn a phrase, Scott Burt has coined the term "Grind" for this season. Burt's mantra appears on the official team workouts shirt and puts an emphasis on embracing the daily struggle of ECHL hockey.

## BY THE NUMBERS

### RAPID CITY

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### GOALS FOR

GOALS FOR PER GAME

GOALS AGAINST

GOALS AGAINST PER GAME

PPGF/PPA PP% Rank

PK/PKA PK% Rank

**SEASON SERIES WITH IOWA**

Fri. – October 20	@Iowa	5:35 p.m.
Sat. – October 21	@Iowa	5:05 p.m.
Fri. – December 29	@RC	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
Sat. – December 30	@RC	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
Sun. – December 31	@RC	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>

**ECHL MOUNTAIN DIVISION**

Team	W	L	OTL	SOL	PTS
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0
Allen	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0
Utah	0	0	0	0	0
Wichita	0	0	0	0	0
<b>RAPID CITY</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Tulsa	0	0	0	0	0

**LAST TIME OUT VS. IOWA****IOWA 9 @ RAPID CITY 1****Sunday, January 9, 2022**

Iowa charged out to a 4-0 lead in the first period and did not look back. Leading the offensive onslaught was Jake Smith who had a five-point afternoon (2g-3a) and Billy Constantinou who tallied four assists. Gabriel Chabot scored the loan goal for Rapid City, 4:10 into the third period. Corbin Kaczperski earned the Iowa win turning away 36 of 37 shots faced in the game.

**ALL-TIME RECORD VS. IOWA: 1-1-1-0****IOWA HEARTLANDERS STAFF**

Position	Name	Yrs. w/IOWA	Hometown
Head Coach	Derek Damon	3 (2 <sup>nd</sup> as H.C.)	Bangor, Maine
Associate Coach	Joe Exter	2	Cranston, R.I.
Video Coordinator	Eric Michaud	2	Lewiston, Maine
Equipment Mgr.	Greg Angus	2	San Jose, Calif.
Strength Coach	Bryan Rohrbach	3	Iowa City, Iowa

**IOWA HEARTLANDERS MEDIA RELATIONS**

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**QUICK HITTERS****THE SHUTOUT DROUGHT**

While Rapid City came within three points of cracking the Kelly Cup Playoffs for the second straight season last year, there was a notable statistic missing from the team's resume – a shutout. Not only did the Rush find themselves without a single shutout recorded last year, but fell on the wrong side of four separate shutout losses. Rapid City has been shutout in six appearances since Lukas Park recorded the team's last shutout in the 2021-22 season.

**AND NO ONE IS BACK THERE BUT AN ECHL ROOKIE**

Whether it's Matt Radomsky, Connor Murphy, or Jason Pawloski, the Rush only have rookie netminders to choose from when it comes to a starting goaltender. Murphy, a highly-touted prospect out of Union College, is the early favorite to win the starting job. Radomsky played his last season of college hockey at Alaska-Fairbanks last season, and while he has been in camp the longest, still does not have a professional game on his resume. Inactive for this trip, Jason Pawloski has 40 professional wins (3 of them coming in the ECHL), but he has spent the majority of the last two years backstopping the SPHL's Fayetteville Marksmen.

**WHOA NELLY!**

Leading the veteran leadership charge is Logan Nelson who resigned with the Rush late this past off-season. Nelson is entering his 10<sup>th</sup> ECHL season and has tallied 452 games in his ECHL career. He is also the only player on his second stint with the team as he first donned the red-and-black for 31 games during the 2016-17 season. He is the most veteran ECHL player on the Rush roster this year.

**THE FLOYD OF ROSEDALE**

Originally, the Rush were supposed to play on Friday and Saturday instead of the Thursday-Friday split they have now. The Saturday game was moved because of an arena and medical staff shortage due to the annual University of Iowa vs. University of Minnesota

football game. The game is played for a bronze pig trophy, named "The Floyd of Rosedale" in honor of an actual prized-pig, bet by the governor of Iowa and Minnesota prior to the 1935 game (Minnesota won). While Minnesota has the all-time series lead 62-52-2, Iowa has won the last eight meetings between the schools.

**ONCE A JUNIOR...**

Assistant Coach Peter Drikos will be making his ECHL debut on Thursday night. Drikos was hired in August after a 10-year career in the OJHL, most recently with the 32-win Cobourg Cougars. Drikos was the head coach of an OJHL team for seven of his 10 years in the league. He will be primarily responsible for the Rush penalty kill and video study sessions.

**BAND OF BROTHERS**

The Rush are a well-connect hockey family with multiple brothers suiting up in other leagues as soon as this weekend. Keanu Yamamoto's brother, Kailer, signed over the offseason with the NHL's Seattle Kraken after spending the last four years with the Edmonton Oilers. Blake Bennett's brother, Shane, has been a consistent forward in the Quad City Storm (SPHL) lineup. Kyle Soper, Jimmy's brother, will dress with the SPHL's Fayetteville Marksmen this season. Lastly, Kenton Helgesen, at least for now, has hung up his skates after playing alongside his brother Tyson in Rapid City last year.

**THE NINE**

Rapid City features nine rookies on the team, opposite of only two veteran players. While Maurizio Colella, Weiland Parrish, Charles Martin, Rhett Kingston, Blake Bennett, and Jason Pawloski have all experience some time in the ECHL – Riley Ginnell, Connor Murphy, Matt Radomsky have not.

**ROAD, SWEET ROAD**

The Rush will play six games on the road before playing even three at home this season. Those six road games are split between Iowa (2), Kansas City (3) and Tulsa (1) over a mere 17-day span.



## **RUSH SPLITS**

Home:	0-0-0-0
Away:	0-0-0-0
Leading after 1:	0-0-0-0
Trailing after 1:	0-0-0-0
Tied after 1:	0-0-0-0
Leading after 2:	0-0-0-0
Trailing after 2:	0-0-0-0
Tied after 2:	0-0-0-0
When scoring first:	0-0-0-0
When not scoring first:	0-0-0-0
When scoring PPG:	0-0-0-0
When allowing PPG:	0-0-0-0
When scoring SHG:	0-0-0-0
When allowing SHG:	0-0-0-0
In overtime:	0-0
In shootout:	0-0
Wearing black:	0-0-0-0
Wearing white:	0-0-0-0
Wearing red:	0-0-0-0
Wearing specialty:	0-0-0-0
On Sunday:	0-0-0-0
On Monday:	0-0-0-0
On Tuesday:	0-0-0-0
On Wednesday:	0-0-0-0
On Thursday:	0-0-0-0
On Friday:	0-0-0-0
On Saturday:	0-0-0-0
In Mountain Time zone:	0-0-0-0
In Central Time zone:	0-0-0-0
In Eastern Time zone:	0-0-0-0
In October:	0-0-0-0
In November:	0-0-0-0
In December:	0-0-0-0
In January:	0-0-0-0
In February:	0-0-0-0
In March:	0-0-0-0
In April:	0-0-0-0
vs. Mountain division:	0-0-0-0
vs. Central division:	0-0-0-0
vs. South division:	0-0-0-0
vs. North division:	0-0-0-0
vs. Allen*:	0-0-0-0
vs. Fort Wayne	0-0-0-0
vs. Greenville:	0-0-0-0
vs. Idaho*:	0-0-0-0
vs. Iowa:	0-0-0-0
vs. Kansas City*:	0-0-0-0
vs. Maine:	0-0-0-0
vs. Savannah:	0-0-0-0
vs. Tulsa*:	0-0-0-0
vs. Utah*:	0-0-0-0
vs. Wichita*:	0-0-0-0

# **RAPID CITY RUSH ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Shoots	Ht	Wt	Hometown
3	Zack Hoffman	D	R	6-3	216	Newcastle, Ont.
9	Keltie Jeri-Leon	F	R	6-0	201	Kelowna, B.C.
10	Maurizio Colella	F	L	6-0	187	Tottenham, Ont.
11	<i>Riley Ginnell</i>	F	L	6-4	205	<i>Calgary, Alb.</i>
12	Weiland Parrish	F	L	6-1	170	Bloomington, Minn.
13	Jimmy Soper	F	L	6-1	181	Waterloo, Ont.
14	Conner Bleackley	F	R	6-0	192	High River, Alb.
15	Will Riedell	D	L	6-2	205	Greensboro, N.C.
19	T.J. Fergus	D	L	6-0	191	Oakville, Ont.
20	Keanu Yamamoto	F	R	5-10	170	Spokane, Wash.
23	Brett Gravelle	F	L	6-0	185	Forest Lake, Minn.
28	Logan Nelson	F	R	6-1	209	Rogers, Minn.
29	<i>Jason Pawloski</i>	G	L	6-0	198	<i>Omaha, Neb.</i>
31	Matt Radomsky	G	L	6-2	191	Winnipeg, Mb.
32	Connor Murphy	G	L	6-4	201	Huston Falls, N.Y.
42	Alex Aleardi	F	R	5-9	170	Fort Wayne, Ind.
44	Tyson Helgesen	D	L	6-3	205	Fairview, Alb.
47	Charles Martin	D	R	6-0	185	Blainville, Que.
59	Rhett Kingston	F	L	6-1	194	Black Diamond, Alb.
60	Jarrod Gourley	D	L	6-2	212	Calgary, Alb.
82	Carter Robertson	D	L	6-3	200	Holling Landing, Ont.
89	Mark Duarte	F	R	6-2	187	Hamilton, Ont.
91	Blake Bennett	F	L	5-9	183	Grand Island, N.Y.

*Italics denote reserve player*

## **2023-24 RAPID CITY RUSH HOCKEY OPERATIONS STAFF**

Position	Name	Years with Rush	Hometown
Head Coach	Scott Burt	3	MacKenzie, B.C.
Assistant Coach	Peter Drikos	1	Mississauga, Ont.
Goaltending Consultant	Danny Battocchio	1	Lively, Ont.
Equipment Manager	Anthony Camelio	1	Rochester, N.Y.
Head Athletic Trainer	Justin Ullom, MAT, LAT, ATC	2	Wildwood, Mo.
Medical Director	Dr. Christopher Dietrich	8	Huron, S.D.

## **RAPID CITY RUSH ODDS & INSIDE INFORMATION**

## RUSH BY COUNTRY

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Americans: 9  
Canadians: 13

## PLAYERS WITH AHL CONTRACTS

Duarte	Calgary (AHL)
Gourley	Calgary (AHL)
Murphy	Calgary (AHL)
Radomsky	Calgary (AHL)
Riedell	Calgary (AHL)

## PLAYERS WITH AHL EXPERIENCE

CITIES WITH AN EX-PLAYER	
Aleardi	Springfield, Charlotte
Bleackley	Chicago (AHL), San Antonio, Texas, Hartford
Gourley	Utica
Jeri-Leon	Providence, Abbotsford
Nelson	Tucson
Riedell	San Jose (AHL)
Helgesen	Tucson, Calgary (AHL)

## NHL DRAFT PICKS

Player	Year	Round	Pick	Team
Bleackley	2014	Rd. 1	Pick 23	COL
	2016	Rd. 5	Pick 155	STL
Nelson	2012	Rd. 5	Pick 133	BUF

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

9	<b>KELL-tie</b>	<b>JERRY-LEE-yon</b>
10	ma- <b>REETZ</b> -ee-oh	<b>KOH-lell-luh</b>
11	Riley	<b>JIN-nell</b>
12	<b>WEEL-lund</b>	<b>PARE-ish</b>
13	Jimmy	<b>SOAP-per</b>
14	Conner	<b>BLEEK-klee</b>
15	Will	<b>RYE-dell</b>
19	T.J.	<b>FUR-gus</b>
20	key- <b>YAHN-new</b>	<b>YAH-muh-moe-toe</b>
23	Brett	<b>GRUH-vell</b>
29	Jason	<b>puh-LAW-skee</b>
31	Matt	<b>ruh-DOM-skee</b>
44	Tyson	<b>HELL-guh-sin</b>
60	<b>JARE-ed</b>	<b>GORE-lee</b>
89	Mark	<b>d-WART</b>
<b>AC</b>	<b>Peter</b>	<b>DREE-kohs</b>
<b>EQ</b>	Anthony	<b>kuh-MEEL-lee-oh</b>
<b>AT</b>	Justin	<b>UH-lum</b>

**RAPID CITY RUSH STATISTICAL LEADERS****GOALS**

No.	Player	G
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**PIMS**

No.	Player	PIM
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**ASSISTS**

No.	Player	A
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**GWGs**

No.	Player	GWG
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**POINTS**

No.	Player	P
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**WINS**

No.	Player	W
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**+/-**

No.	Player	+/-
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**SV%**

No.	Player	SV%
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**GAA**

No.	Player	GAA
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**RUSH ECHL RECORDS****TEAM RECORDS**

Most Points:	83	2021-22
Fewest Points:	56	2017-18
Most Wins:	37	2014-15
Fewest Wins:	25	2017-18
Most Losses:	41	2017-18
Fewest Losses:	25	2021-22
Most Goals For:	241	2021-22
Fewest Goals Allowed:	206	2014-15

**STREAKS**Winning

Longest Overall:	8	3/13-4/1/15
Longest Home:	9	10/25-1/16/19
Longest Road:	6	1/30-2/21/15

Losing

Longest Overall:	10	12/1-12/22/17
Longest Home:	7	12/22/18-1/16/19
Longest Road:	8	1/16-2/6/16

**PLAYER RECORDS**Most Points, Season

Jesse Schultz	77	2014-15
Most Points, Game		

Josh Macdonald	6	3/14/16
Most Goals, Season		

Most Goals, Season

Josh Macdonald	34	2014-15
Most Goals, Game		

4 - Three times, most recent...

Peter Quenneville		1/10/20
Most Assists, Season		

Jesse Schultz	43	2014-15
Most Assists, Game		

Daniel Leavens	5	4/7/2018
Most PIM, Season		

Garrett Klotz	161	2018-19
Most PIM, Game		

Garrett Clarke	27	1/2/16
GOALIE RECORDS		

Most Appearances, Season

Danny Battochio	52	2014-15
Most Wins		

Danny Battochio	25	2014-15
Most Losses		

Danny Battochio	20	2015-16
Most Shutouts		

Adam Carlson	4	2018-19
Danny Battochio	4	2014-15

Lowest GAA

Danny Battochio	2.47	2014-15
Best SV%		

Adam Carlson	.916	2018-19
ECHL MEDIA		

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Detailed ECHL records may be found at [echl.com](http://echl.com)**ASSORTED RUSH STATISTICS**Goals By Period

Period	1	2	3	OT	Tot
Rush	0	0	0	0	0
Opponent	0	0	0	0	0
Goal Diff.	E	E	E	E	E

**Special Teams**

Powerplay	PPO	PPG	PP%	SHGA
	0	0	0.0%	0

Penalty Kill	xSH	PPGA	PK%	SHGF
	0	0	0.0%	0

RAPID CITY RUSH GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

GameDay	Date	Opponent	Score	Record	Goalies	GWG	PP	PK	Shots	Attn.
1	Fri	10/20	@Iowa							
2	Sat	10/21	@Iowa							
3	Fri	10/27	<b>KANSAS CITY</b>							
4	Sat	10/28	<b>KANSAS CITY</b>							
5	Tue	10/31	@Kansas City							
6	Fri	11/03	@Kansas City							
7	Sat	11/04	@Kansas City							
8	Sun	11/05	@Tulsa							
9	Thu	11/09	<b>TULSA</b>							
10	Fri	11/10	<b>TULSA</b>							
11	Sat	11/11	<b>TULSA</b>							
12	Fri	11/18	@Wichita							
13	Sat	11/19	@Wichita							
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23	Fri	12/15	@Idaho							
24	Sat	12/16	@Idaho							
25	Wed	12/20	@Allen							
26	Fri	12/22	@Allen							
27	Sat	12/23	@Allen							
28	Fri	12/29	<b>IOWA</b>							
29	Sat	12/30	<b>IOWA</b>							
30	Sun	12/31	<b>IOWA</b>							
31	Fri	01/05	@Tulsa							
32	Sat	01/06	@Tulsa							
33	Sun	01/07	@Tulsa							
34	Wed	01/10	<b>FORT WAYNE</b>							
35	Fri	01/12	<b>FORT WAYNE</b>							
36	Sat	01/13	<b>FORT WAYNE</b>							
----- ALL-STAR GAME: Monday, January 15 – Savannah, Ga. -----										
37	Fri	01/19	<b>IDAHO</b>							
38	Sat	01/20	<b>IDAHO</b>							
39	Wed	01/24	@Utah							
40	Thu	01/25	@Utah							
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43	Sat	02/03	@Maine							
44	Sun	02/04	@Maine							
45	Fri	02/09	KANSAS CITY							
46	Sat	02/10	KANSAS CITY							
47	Wed	02/14	<b>IDAHO</b>							
48	Fri	02/16	<b>IDAHO</b>							
49	Sat	02/17	<b>IDAHO</b>							
50	Thu	02/22	@Greenville							
51	Sat	02/24	@Greenville							
52	Sun	02/25	@Greenville							
53	Wed	02/28	<b>SAVANNAH</b>							
54	Fri	03/01	<b>SAVANNAH</b>							
55	Sat	03/02	<b>SAVANNAH</b>							
56	Fri	03/08	@Utah							
57	Sat	03/09	@Utah							
58	Mon	03/11	@Utah							
59	Fri	03/15	@Kansas City							
60	Sat	03/16	@Kansas City							
61	Fri	03/22	<b>UTAH</b>							
62	Sat	03/23	<b>UTAH</b>							
63	Sun	03/24	<b>UTAH</b>							
64	Wed	03/27	<b>ALLEN</b>							
65	Fri	03/29	<b>ALLEN</b>							
66	Sat	03/30	<b>ALLEN</b>							
67	Wed	04/03	@Idaho							
68	Fri	04/05	@Idaho							
69	Sat	04/06	@Idaho							
70	Thu	04/11	<b>WICHITA</b>							
71	Fri	04/12	<b>WICHITA</b>							
72	Sat	04/13	<b>WICHITA</b>							

HOME GAMES IN BOLD

**FIGHTING MAJORS TRACKER**

Date	Rush Player	Opponent/Team
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**TRANSACTION TRACKER**

Date	Player	Transaction
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10-17	Billy Roche	Released
10-17	Alex Carlson	Released
10-18	Connor Murphy	Assigned by Calgary (AHL)
10-18	Jarrod Gourley	Assigned by Calgary (AHL)

**SPECIAL TEAMS TRACKER**Powerplay Goals

Player	PPG	Most recent
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**INJURED RESERVE LIST**

Date	Player	Injury	Return
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**ACTIVE STREAKS TRACKER**

*all streaks will be considered streaks once they have reached three games in length.*

Goals

Player	Length	date began
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Assists

Player	Length	date began
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Points

Player	Length	date began
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Misc.

Player	Streak notes
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**RAPID CITY RUSH DIRECTORY**

Owner	Jeff Dickerson
Owner	T.J. Puchyr
President, Spire Hockey	Todd Mackin

Position	Name	Years with Rush	Hometown
President, Rapid City Rush	Jared Reid	4 / 1 <sup>st</sup> as President	Detroit, Mich.
Vice President of Sales	Scott Hull	2	Tulsa, Okla.
Vice President of Ticket Sales	Eric Moller	5	Rapid City, S.D.
Vice President of Business Development	Kayleigh Schmidt	4	Willmar, Minn.
Manager of Community Relations & Broadcast	Drew Blevins	1	Wake Forest, N.C.
Partnership Activation Coordinator	Georgia Veatch	1	Dallas, Texas
Senior Account Executive	Alex Lasky	2	Jackson, Mich.
Account Executvie	Zach Nelson	1	Grand Forks, N.D.

**THE MONUMENT**

Opened on June 21, 1977, The Monument, formerly known as the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center serves North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Wyoming as one of the premier main event hubs in the area.

On its opening night, The Monument hosted Elvis Presley performing on his final tour before he passed a month later. Since then, renowned artists and events have entertained the people of the Black Hills at The Monument.

The most recent addition to the complex is a 10,000-seat venue called The Summit Arena that sits on the opposite side of the complex from the ice arena.

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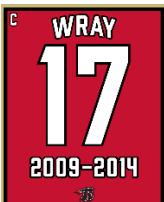
**MEDIA AVAILABILITY / INTERVIEWS**

All interview requests should be made through the team media relations contact – Drew Blevins. Drew's contact information is listed below.

There is no pre-game media availability. All day-of-game availability will either be immediately following morning skate or after the game is completed. If you wish to interview a player or coach after the game, please ensure that you have notified Drew via text message so he can notify the downstairs staff of your request.

**The locker room is a closed area.** All player interview requests will be handled through Drew and he will confirm your request via text/e-mail. Please make all requests prior to the end of the second intermission.

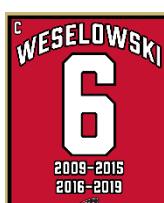
Drew Blevins – [dblevins@rapidcityrush.com](mailto:dblevins@rapidcityrush.com), (919) 818-1396

**RETIRED NUMBERS****17 SCOTT WRAY Retired: Saturday – April 4, 2015**

Wray joined the Rush after spending two seasons with the rival Rocky Mountain Rage in the CHL. His first season in Rapid City was his best year of professional hockey with 31 goals, 47 assists and 78 points. That season, Wray would help lead Rapid City to their only hockey championship, winning the CHL Ray Miron Presidents Cup. Wray is the only Rush player to ever eclipse 100 goals with the franchise (106) and his 314 games played rank second in franchise history. In 2010-11 and from 2012-14, Wray served as the Rush captain. After his retirement in 2014, Wray was the head coach of the Powassan VooDooos of the NOJHL and is currently an assistant with the OHL's North Bay Battalion where he has been since 2017.

**30 DANNY BATTOCCHIO Retired: Saturday – March 31, 2018**

After a strong OHL career and three years at St. Francis Xavier University, Battochio joined the Rush and played every North American game of his career with the team. In 2010, he was named a CHL all-rookie team member and backstopped the Rush to a CHL title. With 131 career wins with Rapid City, no other goaltender has come close to the impact Battochio made during his tenure with the Rush. In every professional season, he posted a better-than-.900 save percentage and posted a winning record all but one season between the pipes. Still living in the Black Hills, Battochio has served as an emergency backup goaltender for the Rush in seasons past, donning his iconic number 30 each time.

**6 RILEY WESELOWSKI Retired: Saturday – October 29, 2022**

Touted out of Bemidji State, Weselowski began his career with the Idaho Steelheads before landing with the Rush in the 2009-10 season. A young bruiser on the 2010 championship team, he was awarded an "A" on his sweater in the 2011 season and became a fixture on the Rapid City blueline. He is the all-time leader in games played for the Rush with 571 appearances and has more penalty minutes than any other Rush player with 440. Weselowski would finish his playing career in Florida and then Wichita before hanging up his skates. He is now the assistant coach for the Kansas City Mavericks and coached against the Rush on the night of his jersey retirement.

## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES



# HEAD COACH, SCOTT BURT

MACKENZIE, B.C. | FEBRUARY 2, 1977 | 3<sup>RD</sup> SEASON AS HEAD COACH

Scott Burt was named head coach and director of hockey operations of the Rapid City Rush on July 7, 2021.

In his first season as head coach, Burt led the Rush to a record of 36-25-6-5, and an ECHL-era franchise record 83 points, as well as the first Kelly Cup Playoff appearance in seven years.

In June of 2022, Burt was promoted to head coach and general manager. The 2022-23 saw Burt lead the Rush to their second consecutive 30-win season with a record of 33-34-5-0, but the Rush missed the playoffs by a mere three points.

Prior to joining the Rush, Burt was the assistant coach of the Idaho Steelheads for two years. Before that, he spent six seasons as the assistant coach of the Spokane Chiefs in the WHL. In Spokane, Burt coached alongside Don Nachbaur, a former assistant coach with the NHL's Los Angeles Kings and current assistant coach with the AHL's Calgary Wranglers, and Dan Lambert, a former assistant coach of the NHL's Nashville Predators. The Chiefs made the playoffs in five of his six seasons in Spokane and advanced to the Western Conference Finals in 2019.

Burt's coaching career began with the ECHL's Alaska Aces as an assistant coach for a pair of seasons from 2011 to 2013. There, the former Aces Captain made playoffs in both of his seasons on the bench, reaching the 2012 Kelly Cup Playoffs Western Conference Finals and 2013 Western Conference Semifinals. He also helped coach the Aces to a 2013 Brabham Cup regular season championship with an ECHL-best 49-15-4-4 record and 106 standings points.

A native of Mackenzie, British Columbia Burt began coaching after 13 seasons as a forward in the WCHL, ECHL, and AHL. All but three seasons of his career were played in the ECHL with the Idaho Steelheads, Utah Grizzlies, and Alaska Aces, amassing career totals of 149 goals, 207 assists, 356 points, and 1,067 PIM in 586 ECHL games. As a player, Burt made the playoffs in all but two of his 13 seasons, played for his league championship on six different occasions, and twice was named the captain of his team, rotating as Steelheads Captain in 2007 while also serving as Aces Captain from 2009 to 2011. Burt is a three-time Kelly Cup Champion, one of only six people with his name on the ECHL's most coveted prize three times, winning titles with Idaho in 2004 and 2007, and in his final professional season with the Aces in 2011.

Overall, in his 13-year playing career in the ECHL, Burt recorded 203 goals, 259 assists, 461 points, and 1,266 PIM in 739 games. In his full career Burt dressed for the Toledo Storm, Wheeling Nailers, Alaska Aces, and Idaho Steelheads in both the ECHL and WCHL.

### PLAYING CAREER

Yr	Team	GP	G	A	P
97-98	Toledo	6	1	2	3
98-99	Toledo	58	18	19	37
99-00	Wheeling	43	10	14	24
00-01	<i>Idaho</i>	69	28	30	58
01-02	<i>Idaho</i>	49	14	14	28
02-03	<i>Idaho</i>	34	12	8	20
03-04	<i>Idaho</i>	64	14	22	36
04-05	<i>Idaho</i>	68	23	23	46
05-06	<i>Idaho</i>	59	9	28	37
06-07	<i>Idaho</i>	60	11	14	25
07-08	Utah	70	27	33	60
	<i>Bridgeport</i>	1	0	0	0
08-09	Alaska	65	20	18	38
09-10	Alaska	50	11	19	30
10-11	Alaska	43	5	15	20
<b>14 seasons</b>		<b>739</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>462</b>
ECHL totals		586	149	207	356

*Italics denote non-ECHL teams*

### QUICK HITTERS

- Burt was a WHL prospect who played with Seattle, Swift Current, Edmonton, and Red Deer. In his junior career he was teammates with future-NHLers Jan Hrdina (Seattle), Brent Sopel (Swift Current), and Arron Asham (Red Deer). He finished juniors with 254 games played, 85 goals, 87 assists, and 172 points.
- He is a three-time ECHL Kelly Cup champion... 2004 and 2007 with the Idaho Steelheads, and 2011 with the Alaska Aces.
- Served two seasons as assistant coach in Alaska (2011-13) before joining the WHL's Spokane Chiefs as an assistant. While in Spokane, he helped develop current NHL talent in Kailer Yamamoto (SEA), Luke Toporowski (BOS), and Ty Smith (PIT). He returned to the ECHL as Idaho's assistant coach for one season (2019-20) before accept the head coaching job in Rapid City.
- Married to his wife Audrey, a former Food Network personality. They have one daughter, Sophie.

## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# ASST. COACH, PETER DRIKOS

MISSISSAUGA, ONT. | FEBRUARY 15, 1986 | 1<sup>ST</sup> SEASON AS A.C.



### PLAYING CAREER

Yr	Team	GP	G	A	P
09-10	West Michigan	27	5	20	25
10-11	Queen City	16	5	9	14
	Akwesasne	10	0	3	3
11-12	Brooklyn	9	1	2	3
	Mississippi	3	0	0	0
	1000 Islands	6	2	3	5
16-17	Brantford	2	2	0	2
17-18	Brantford	4	1	1	2

### PLAYING CAREER

Yr	Team	Pos.	Rec.
15-16	TOR Pats (OJHL)	Asst. Coach	18-28-1
16-17	Orangeville (OJHL)	Asst. Coach	17-33-1
17-18	Brampton (GOJHL)	Head Coach	16-33-1
18-19	Brampton (GOJHL)	Head Coach	8-34-1
19-20	Milton (OJHL)	Asst. Coach	17-28-4
20-21	TOR Pats (OJHL)	Head Coach	DNP*
21-22	TOR Pats (OJHL)	Head Coach	19-30-5
22-23	Cobourg (OJHL)	Head Coach	32-16-5

\*20-21 season cancelled due to COVID-19

### QUICK HITTERS

- Drikos was part of the Akwesasne Warriors team that won the first Federal Hockey League (now Federal Prospects Hockey League) Commissioner's Cup in 2011.
- Won an OPJHL championship with the St. Michael's Buzzers in 2006.
- Played one season of college hockey at Ryerson University in 2008-09. Ryerson was renamed Toronto Metropolitan University in 2022 and is the alma mater of ESPN personality Adnan Virk, TSN personality Jay Onrait, and actress Nina Dobrev.
- With the West Michigan Blizzard, Drikos was teammates with former-ECHL goaltender and current-SPHL head coach Nick Niedert.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 29 JASON PAWLOSKI | G

6-0 | 198 LBS. | OMAHA, NEB. | DECEMBER 4, 1995 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
		League	GP	Record	GAA	SV%	SO	GP	Rec.	GAA	SV%
2012-13	Austin Bruins	NAHL	24		2.52	.919		3	NA	2.03	,942
2013-14	Indiana Ice	USHL	42	25-8-4	2.46	.904	4	11	8-3-0	1.80	,928
2014-15	Green Bay Gamblers	USHL	37	8-21-3	3.33	.901	1				
2015-16	Minnesota State (Mankato)	NCAA	17	8-2-5	1.85	.901	1				
2016-17	Minnesota State (Mankato)	NCAA	17	8-5-2	2.10	.920	2				
2017-18	Minnesota State (Mankato)	NCAA	11	6-4-0	2.56	.895	2				
2018-19	Indy Fuel	ECHL	5	0-5-0	4.65	.840	0				
	Knoxville Ice Bears	SPHL	5	2-3-0	2.83	.920	0				
	Fayetteville Marksmen	SPHL	2	1-1-0	4.80	.886	0				
	Greenville Swamp Rabbits	ECHL	0	0-0-0	0.00	.000	0	3	1-2-0	2.39	,934
2019-20	DID NOT PLAY										1
2020-21	Huntsville Havoc	SPHL	19	7-10-0	3.21	.897	1				
2021-22	Fayetteville Marksmen	SPHL	22	17-4-1	2.14	.924	2				
	Worcester Railers	ECHL	1	0-1-0	8.14	.810	0				
	Kalamazoo Wings	ECHL	7	2-3-0	3.25	.888	0				
2022-23	Fayetteville Marksmen	SPHL	26	11-12-1	2.95	.913	1	3	1-2-0	2.33	.916
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>87</b>	<b>40-39-2</b>	<b>3.69</b>	<b>.898</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2-4-0</b>	<b>2.36</b>	<b>.925</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>2-9-0</b>	<b>4.22</b>	<b>.861</b>	<b>0</b>	HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS				

## QUICK HITTERS

- 2014 Clark Cup Champion with the USHL's Indiana Ice. Was awarded the Playoff MVP Award for his contributions to the championship run.
- Won the WCHA regular season championship at Minnesota St. (Mankato) in 2018.
- Finished the 2022 season with a perfect 6-0-0 record in Fayetteville after returning from a mid-season ECHL call-up to Worcester and Kalamazoo.
- Earned his 40<sup>th</sup> pro win on April 8, 2023 in a 3-2 Fayetteville win over Macon.
- Avid golfer, played a round at The Golf Club at Red Rocks less than 24 hours after arriving in Rapid City.
- He and play-by-play voice of the Rush, Drew Blevins, will be entering their third consecutive season in the same organization.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## MATT RADOMSKY | G

6-2 | 192 LBS. | WINNIPEG, MB. | JUNE 21, 1999 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS			
		League	GP	Record	GAA	SV%	SO	GP	Rec.	GAA
2016-17	Steinbach Pistons	MJHL	14	11-2-1	1.71	.936	1	4	NA	5.00
2017-18	Steinbach Pistons	MJHL	28	20-5-2	2.16	.912	8	6	NA	4.50
2018-19	Steinbach Pistons	MJHL	40	27-12-1	2.06	.929	6			
2019-20	College of the Holy Cross	NCAA	34	11-18-4	2.90	.903	2			
2020-21	College of the Holy Cross	NCAA	6	0-5-0	4.03	.870	0			
2021-22	College of the Holy Cross	NCAA	24	8-14-2	2.47	.906	1			
2022-23	Univ. of Alaska-Fairbanks	NCAA	34	22-10-2	2.05	.916	3			
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>				<b>ROOKIE</b>					<b>ROOKIE</b>	
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>				<b>ROOKIE</b>					<b>ROOKIE</b>	

## QUICK HITTERS

- Won the 2016 MMHL (U18 AAA) title and was named goaltender of the year with the Winnipeg Wild
- Was named AHA rookie of the month in October 2019 and goaltender of the month in January of 2020
- Tied for 6<sup>th</sup> in NCAA wins during the 2022-23 season with Alaska-Fairbanks. Ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in NCAA GAA.
- Assigned to Rapid City by Calgary (AHL) on October 7, 2023.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 32 CONNOR MURPHY | G

6-4 | 201 LBS. | HUDSON FALLS, N.Y. | SEPTEMBER 1, 1998 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON



Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					
		League	GP	Record	GAA	SV%	SO	GP	Rec.	GAA	SV%	SO
2016-17	Springfield Jr. Pics	USPHL Premier	10	-	3.48	.906	-	5		3.20	.913	-
2017-18	Jersey Hitmen	NCDC	16	-	2.72	.919	-					
	Topeka RoadRunners	NAHL	8	2-2-2	3.25	.901	0					
2018-19	Carleton Place Canadians	CCHL	47	31-8-7	2.07	.917	3	14	9-5-0	2.03	.922	0
2019-20	Northeastern Univ.	NCAA	2	0-0-0	7.04	.688	0					
2020-21	Northeastern Univ.	NCAA	21	9-9-3	2.72	.910	2					
2021-22	Union College	NCAA	37	14-18-3	2.66	.919	3					
2022-23	Union College	NCAA	31	12-17-1	3.34	.889	2					
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>ROOKIE</b>						<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>ROOKIE</b>						<b>ECHL ROOKIE</b>				

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2017 by the Cedar Rapids RoughRiders in the USHL Entry Draft (Rd. 7, 109 overall)
- Attended Detroit Red Wings Development Camp during the 2022 offseason.
- Murphy and Vincent Bujold-Roux combined to win the CCHL's lowest GAA award in 2019.
- Served as a team captain last year for Union, an honor not often given to goaltenders.
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## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## ZACK HOFFMAN | D

6-3 | 216 LBS. | NEWCASTLE, ONT. | FEBRUARY 4, 1998 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS							
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	
2015-16	LaSalle Vipers	GOJHL	47	1	14	15	38		13	0	4	4	8		
2016-17	LaSalle Vipers	GOJHL	50	4	15	19	53		10	2	3	5	2		
2017-18	Utah Outliers	WSHL	47	16	49	65	49		8	0	2	2	4		
2018-19	Navan Grads	CCHL	62	11	33	44	51		4	0	2	2	2		
2019-20	Saint Mary's Univ.	USports	14	0	0	0	8	-9							
2020-21	Saint Mary's Univ.	USports	0	0	0	0	0								
2021-22	Saint Mary's Univ.	USports	18	1	3	4	26	+1							
	Fayetteville Marksmen	SPHL	25	1	4	5	30	+22	3	0	1	1	7	-3	
2022-23	Wichita Thunder	ECHL	52	0	6	6	69	-11							
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>77</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>+13</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>52</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>-11</b>							
<i>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</i>															

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2014 by the OHL's Erie Otters (Round 7, 139 Overall)
- Drafted in 2015 by the NAHL's Topeka Roadrunners (Rd. 4, 85 Overall)
- Lost the entire 2020-21 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Canadian protocols.
- Was teammates in Fayetteville (SPHL) with current Rush goaltender Jason Pawloski
- Scored first professional goal on February 12, 2022 as Fayetteville defeated Roanoke 5-4.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## KELTIE JERI-LEON | F

6-0 | 200 LBS. | KELOWNA, B.C. | JANUARY 19, 2000 | 3<sup>RD</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2016-17	Tri-City Americans	WHL	46	2	1	3	4	-9						
2017-18	Tri-City Americans	WHL	2	0	0	0	0	-2						
	Kamloops Blazers	WHL	21	1	2	3	2	-5						
	Lethbridge Hurricanes	WHL	31	7	5	12	8	E						
2018-19	Lethbridge Hurricanes	WHL	30	5	9	14	11	-2						
	Seattle Thunderbirds	WHL	34	3	7	10	10	+4						
2019-20	Seattle Thunderbirds	WHL	63	23	18	41	18	-5						
2020-21	Seattle Thunderbirds	WHL	23	17	10	27	6	+7						
2021-22	Maine Mariners	ECHL	57	19	16	35	4	-9						
	Providence Bruins	AHL	2	1	0	1	0	+1						
	Abbotsford Canucks	AHL	4	0	0	0	0	-1						
2022-23	Maine Mariners	ECHL	38	8	11	19	6	+2						
	Wheeling Nailers	ECHL	11	4	0	4	2	-1						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>112</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-8</b>							
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>106</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-8</b>							
<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN PRO PLAYOFFS</b>														
<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</b>														

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2015 by the WHL's Tri-City Americans (Rd. 5, 93 overall)
- Acquired by Rush from Wheeling on August 11, 2023 in a trade for D Quinn Wickers
- Won Western Canada Challenge Cup bronze medal with Okanagan Prep (U18)
- Served as Seattle Thunderbirds alternate captain in 2020-21. Played alongside Flames prospect Lucas Ciona that same season.
- Played 250 total games in his WHL career.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## MAURIZIO COLELLA | F

6-0 | 187 LBS. | TOTTENHAM, ONT. | MARCH 21, 1997 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2013-14	Wellington Dukes	OJHL	33	4	5	9	32	-						
	Belleville Bulls	OHL	23	0	1	1	4	-4						
2014-15	Belleville Bulls	OHL	57	3	4	7	15	-14	3	0	0	0	0	-1
2015-16	Hamilton Bulldogs	OHL	37	3	5	8	21	-13						
	North Bay Battalion	OHL	29	5	7	12	14	+5	11	3	5	8	7	E
2016-17	North Bay Battalion	OHL	35	6	10	16	21	-11						
	Flint Firebirds	OHL	30	12	13	25	11	+15	5	2	2	4	6	-6
2017-18	Flint Firebirds	OHL	67	23	38	61	25	-23						
	Worcester Railers	ECHL	3	0	0	0	2	E						
2018-19	Acadia Univ.	USports	30	3	4	7	6	-	3	0	0	0	0	E
2019-20	Acadia Univ.	USports	30	9	9	18	28	-1	5	0	1	1	14	+1
2020-21	Acadia Univ.	USports	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2021-22	Acadia Univ.	USports	7	2	3	5	0	E						
	South Carolina Stingrays	ECHL	3	0	0	0	0	-3						
	Newfoundland Growlers	ECHL	10	1	1	2	13	-7						
2022-23	Meran/Merano	AlpsHL	19	10	12	22	12	E						
	Meran/Merano	Italy	3	0	2	2	0	+2						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN PRO PLAYOFFS</b>					
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</b>					

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2013 by Belleville Bulls in Priority Selection Draft (Rd. 5, 86 overall)
- Served as an alternate captain for Flint during the 2017-18 season.
- Led Flint Firebirds in points in 2017-18 with 61. He finished two points ahead of Dallas Stars forward Ty Dellandrea.
- Finished 6<sup>th</sup> on the team in points with HC Meran/O in the Alps Hockey League in 2022-23



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## RILEY GINNELL | F

6-4 | 197 LBS. | CALGARY, ALB. | MARCH 21, 1997 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2019-20	Brandon Wheat Kings	WHL	25	3	1	4	8	0						
2020-21	Brandon Wheat Kings	WHL	24	4	5	9	22	6						
2021-22	Brandon Wheat Kings	WHL	62	14	20	34	65	-1						
2022-23	Brandon Wheat Kings	WHL	2	0	0	0	4	-						
	Moose Jaw Warriors	WHL	14	1	2	3	22	2						
	Regina Pats	WHL	36	9	7	16	44	-1						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>ROOKIE</b>						<b>ROOKIE</b>					<b>ROOKIE</b>	
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>ROOKIE</b>						<b>ROOKIE</b>					<b>ROOKIE</b>	

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2017 by WHL's Kamloops Blazers (Rd. 7, 151 overall)
- Ranked 191<sup>st</sup> by NHL Central Scouting for 2021 NHL Entry Draft
- Played one season at Edge School Prep in Calgary. Edge also produced NHLers Thomas Hickey, Tyler Myers, Matt Dumba and Jake Bean.
- Finished 6<sup>th</sup> in total points for Brandon in 2021-22.
- Played alongside 2023 NHL Entry Draft number-one overall selection Connor Bedard in 2022-23 with Regina.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## WEILAND PARRISH | F

6-1 | 170 LBS. | BLOOMINGTON, MINN. | NOVEMBER 19, 1997 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2016-17	Nashville Jr. Predators	NA3HL	46	26	36	62	31	30	2	1	0	1	2	-3
2017-18	Winkler Flyers	MJHL	52	25	26	51	23	-	10	5	6	11	19	-
2018-19	Hamline Univ.	NCAA III	25	10	5	15	18	-						
2019-20	Hamline Univ.	NCAA III	17	6	8	14	4	-						
2020-21	Hamline Univ.	NCAA III	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2021-22	Pensacola Ice Flyers	SPHL	50	15	42	57	22	22	3	2	3	5	0	-2
2022-23	Pensacola Ice Flyers	SPHL	23	10	19	29	6	-4						
	Kalamazoo Wings	ECHL	1	0	0	0	0	E						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	21	4	6	10	5	E						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>95</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>+18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>E</b>						
<i>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</i>														

## QUICK HITTERS

- Led 2021-22 Pensacola Ice Flyers in points and assists
- Named to 2022 SPHL All-Rookie Team
- Attended Thomas Jefferson High School in Bloomington, Minn. University of Mississippi head football coach Lane Kiffin also attended Jefferson.
- Drafted in 2016, in the first round (33 overall) by the Nashville Jr. Predators in the NA3HL draft.
- Was an alternate captain for Hamline in 2019-20.
- Uncle Mark Parrish played 722 NHL games split between Florida, New York Islanders, Los Angeles, Minnesota, Dallas, Tampa Bay, and Buffalo. Mark was an alternate captain for the Islanders and was the 2007-08 captain of the Minnesota Wild.
- Played alongside 2023 NHL Entry Draft number-one overall selection Connor Bedard in 2022-23 with Regina.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## JIMMY SOPER | F

6-1 | 181 LBS. | WATERLOO, ONT. | MARCH 19, 1995 | 4<sup>TH</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2012-13	Waterloo Siskins	GOJHL	48	29	24	53	50	-	6	2	2	4	10	-
2013-14	Kitchener Rangers	OHL	50	1	2	3	31	-1						
2014-15	Truro Bearcats	MJAHL	38	18	22	40	77	-	14	9	3	12	12	-
2015-16	Truro Bearcats	MJAHL	48	18	19	37	40	-	7	2	3	5	0	-
2016-17	Wilfrid Laurier Univ.	USports	22	2	2	4	16	-	3	0	0	0	0	-
2017-18	Danville Dashers	FHL	24	13	17	30	30	-12	2	1	0	1	2	-
	Macon Mayhem	SPHL	20	3	7	10	13	-1						
2018-19	Newfoundland Growlers	ECHL	2	0	0	0	0	-1						
	Macon Mayhem	SPHL	36	6	10	16	30	-6	2	0	0	0	2	-1
2019-20	Macon Mayhem	SPHL	17	6	5	11	29	-8						
	Greenville Swamp Rabbits	ECHL	29	3	3	6	18	-7						
2020-21	Macon Mayhem	SPHL	42	9	13	22	47	+15	4	0	0	0	2	-1
2021-22	Tulsa Oilers	ECHL	69	13	30	43	99	+10	6	1	2	3	16	-3
2022-23	Tulsa Oilers	ECHL	36	16	12	28	37	-3						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	28	7	12	19	29	+9						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>303</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>-4</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-4</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		164	39	57	96	183	+8		6	1	2	3	16	-3

## QUICK HITTERS

- Acquired February 4, 2023 from Norfolk in a trade for future considerations.
- Won 2016 MJAHL Character Award
- Finished 4<sup>th</sup> in total points for Waterloo in 2012-13
- Finished 4<sup>th</sup> in total points for Tulsa in 2021-22, his best statistical professional season
- Brother, Kyle, plays for Fayetteville (SPHL). They both played for Macon (SPHL), but never overlapped to play a game together.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## CONNER BLEACKLEY | F

6-0 | 192 LBS. | HIGH RIVER, ALB. | FEBRUARY 7, 1996 | 6<sup>TH</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2011-12	Red Deer Rebels	WHL	16	2	0	2	6	-	9	2	1	3	0	-1
2012-13	Red Deer Rebels	WHL	66	9	18	28	-4	-						
	Canada Pacific U17	WHC-175		3	1	4	12	-						
2013-14	Red Deer Rebels	WHL	71	29	39	68	48	3	1	0	1	1	0	-2
	Canada U18	WJC-18	7	1	1	2	4	0						
2014-15	Red Deer Rebels	WHL	51	27	22	49	49	13	5	1	1	2	4	-5
2015-16	Red Deer Rebels	WHL	55	13	33	46	49	13						
2016-17	Chicago Wolves	AHL	45	2	8	10	8	-3	2	0	0	0	5	-1
	Missouri Mavericks	ECHL	14	7	10	17	14	1						
2017-18	Chicago Wolves	AHL	7	0	1	1	2	4						
	San Antonio Rampage	AHL	13	1	0	1	7	-1						
	Tulsa Oilers	ECHL	40	19	19	38	82	-7						
2018-19	San Antonio Rampage	AHL	57	5	11	16	35	-15						
2019-20	Idaho Steelheads	ECHL	18	4	9	13	4	-4						
	Maine Mariners	ECHL	15	5	5	10	14	1						
	Texas Stars	AHL	10	3	2	5	6	1						
	Hartford Wolf Pack	AHL	1	0	0	0	2	0						
2020-21	Allen Americans	ECHL	32	4	5	9	17	8						
2021-22	Maine Mariners	ECHL	66	11	15	26	38	-15	6	1	1	2	10	-4
2022-23	Maine Mariners	ECHL	32	4	8	12	19	-6						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>350</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-5</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			217	54	71	125	188	-22	6	1	1	2	10	-4

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2011, number 21 overall by Red Deer
- Served as Red Deer Rebels team captain from 2013-2015. That Red Deer team included current NHLers Hadyn Fleury and Josh Mahura.
- Won 2013 Silver Medal in World Junior U17 Classic
- Won 2014 Bronze Medal in World Junior Classic
- Drafted 2014, number 23 overall by NHL's Colorado Avalanche
- Drafted 2016 by NHL's St. Louis Blues (Rd. 5, 144 overall)
- Played in 2018 ECHL All-Star Game in Indianapolis. Bleackley and the Mountain Division won the four-division contest.
- Has logged 122 AHL games in his career, most on the Rush roster.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## WILL RIEDELL | D

6-2 | 205 LBS. | GREENSBORO, N.C. | OCTOBER 9, 1996 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2015-16	Austin Bruins	NAHL	28	2	7	9	35	+6	2	0	0	0	0	-1
	New Jersey Junior Titans	NAHL	24	2	4	6	27	+6	8	0	2	2	2	-2
2016-17	New Jersey Junior Titans	NAHL	59	8	19	27	59	+11						
2017-18	Lake Superior State Univ.	NCAA	33	2	3	5	37	-15						
2018-19	Lake Superior State Univ.	NCAA	35	4	7	11	6	+9						
2019-20	Lake Superior State Univ.	NCAA	41	5	13	18	34	+13						
2020-21	Lake Superior State Univ.	NCAA	29	6	11	17	18	+8						
2021-22	Ohio State Univ.	NCAA	33	3	7	10	31	+7						
	Lehigh Valley Phantoms	AHL	2	0	0	0	0	-1						
2022-23	Savannah Ghost Pirates	ECHL	15	0	4	4	8	+4						
	San Jose Barracuda	AHL	32	2	3	5	48	-3						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>49</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>E</b>						
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>+4</b>						
<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN PRO PLAYOFFS</b>														
<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</b>														

## QUICK HITTERS

- Acquired in trade with Savannah for future considerations on Sept. 8, 2023
- 2021 WCHA Champion with Lake Superior State
- 2021-22 Ohio State captain
- 2022 Lowes Senior Class First-Team All-American
- Brother, Jack, is the starting goaltender at SUNY-Cortland (NCAA III)
- Played in the 2013 16U A USA National Tournament with the Greensboro Stars. Team played Team South Dakota in game of the tournament and lost 4-2. The Stars would win their next five games en route to the national title.
- Growing up, played against Rush play-by-play voice Drew Blevins (Raleigh Storm).



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## T.J. FERGUS | D

6-0 | 181 LBS. | OAKVILLE, ONT. | MARCH 25, 1997 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2012-13	Milton Icehawks	OJHL	3	0	0	0	0	-						
2013-14	Milton Icehawks	OJHL	52	3	14	17	40	-	4	0	1	1	2	-
2014-15	Erie Otters	OHL	45	2	6	8	18	13	10	0	0	0	0	E
2015-16	Erie Otters	OHL	56	1	19	20	46	13	13	0	2	2	2	-5
2016-17	Erie Otters	OHL	68	3	30	33	60	54	22	1	7	8	14	+13
2017-18	Hamilton Bulldogs	OHL	16	1	3	4	8	-5						
	Barrie Colts	OHL	48	6	31	37	22	6	12	0	6	6	6	-1
2018-19	Acadia Univ.	USports	24	1	2	3	40							
2019-20	Acadia Univ.	USports	24	1	5	6	26	1	7	0	0	0	0	-2
2020-21	Acadia Univ.	USports	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2021-22	Acadia Univ.	USports	11	1	0	1	8	-7						
	Florida Everblades	ECHL	7	0	2	2	0	1						
2022-23	Iowa Heartlanders	ECHL	19	2	5	7	4	-3						
	Savannah Ghost Pirates	ECHL	12	1	2	3	2	-3						
	Wheeling Nailers	ECHL	21	1	9	10	0	6						
	Reading Royals	ECHL	3	0	0	0	2	-2	6	0	0	0	2	-2
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>62</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-1</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>62</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-1</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-2</b>

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2013 (Rd. 8, 141 overall) by Erie Otters in OHL Priority Selection Draft
- 2017 OHL Champion with Erie Otters
- Finished 7<sup>th</sup> in assists on 2017 Erie team. Otters also featured Alex DeBrincat, Warren Foegele, and Dylan Strome that season.
- College teammates at Acadia University with forward Maurizio Colella
- Despite having never played 25 games for any one ECHL team, Fergus has played his entire professional career in the ECHL.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 20 KEANU YAMAMOTO | F

5-10 | 170 LBS. | SPOKANE, WASH. | MAY 27, 1996 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2013-14	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	57	11	14	25	12	-1	1	0	0	0	0	E
2014-15	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	71	12	17	29	20	-27	5	0	3	3	0	+2
2015-16	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	71	22	32	54	50	-2	6	3	7	10	4	+3
2016-17	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	72	26	43	69	54	-13						
2017-18	McGill Univ.	USports	28	9	12	21	20	-	9	3	3	6	2	-
2018-19	McGill Univ.	USports	27	7	14	21	16	-	5	4	5	9	4	-
2019-20	McGill Univ.	USports	27	8	15	23	20	-	3	2	2	4	2	-
2020-21	McGill Univ.	USports	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2021-22	McGill Univ.	USports	16	5	12	17	38	-	4	0	2	2	2	-
2022-23	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	71	18	27	45	28	-1						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>71</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN PRO PLAYOFFS</b>					
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>71</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</b>					

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2013 (Rd. 14, 198 overall) by Des Moines Buccaneers in USHL Entry Draft
- Brother, Kailer, played for Scott Burt when he was an assistant coach with the WHL's Spokane Chiefs. Kailer is now an NHL forward for the Seattle Kraken. Equipment Manager Anthony Camelio's father, Jeff, is the head equipment manager for the Kraken.
- Kailer and Keanu played together for three seasons (2014-2017) with the Chiefs.
- Served as an alternate captain for McGill University during the 2021-22 season
- Competed in the 2009 Quebec PeeWee Tournament with the Anaheim Jr. Ducks



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 23 BRETT GRAVELLE | F

6-0 | 180 LBS. | FOREST LAKE, MINN. | DECEMBER 6, 1995 | 3<sup>RD</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2014-15	North Iowa Bulls	NA3HL	36	21	40	61	14	+30						
	Minnesota Wilderness	NAHL	15	3	2	5	2	+6						
2015-16	North Iowa Bulls	NA3HL	43	57	42	99	31	+55	9	9	9	18	3	+10
	Austin Bruins	NAHL	2	0	0	0	0	+5						
2016-17	Univ. of St. Thomas	NCAA III	26	9	15	24	4	-						
2017-18	Univ. of St. Thomas	NCAA III	26	14	16	30	10	-						
2018-19	Univ. of St. Thomas	NCAA III	26	18	13	31	8	-						
2019-20	Univ. of St. Thomas	NCAA III	24	9	19	28	14	-						
2020-21	Elmira Enforcers	FPHL	20	13	10	23	4	+16						
2021-22	Quad City Storm	SPHL	5	2	5	7	0	+3						
	Iowa Heartlanders	ECHL	1	2	1	3	0	+1						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	67	27	27	54	16	+10	11	3	10	13	2	+1
2022-23	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	50	13	19	32	4	E						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>143</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>+30</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			71	18	27	45	28	-1	11	3	10	13	2	+1

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2014 (Rd. 12, 203 overall) by Minot Minotauros in NAHL Entry Draft
- 2016 NA3HL Champion
- 2016 NA3HL Forward of the Year. Gravelle scored the most goals in the league, tallied the most points in the league, and was named the NA3HL Most Valuable Player that season.
- Served as a captain for his Forest Lake High School team in 2013-14. Forest Lake won five straight titles in Boys Nordic Skiing from 2005-09.
- Wore a letter on his sweater each of his final two college seasons, including serving as team captain in 2019-20. Gravelle was named an all-conference player and won the MIAC with St. Thomas in 19-20.
- Scored the first goal of the COVID-abbreviated FPHL season for Elmira in a 4-3 shootout over Carolina (March 2, 2021).



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

**28 LOGAN NELSON | F**6-2 | 185 LBS. | ROGERS, MINN. | SEPTEMBER 9, 1993 | 10<sup>TH</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2010-11	Des Moines Buccaneers	USHL	41	6	3	9	69	+5	4	0	4	4	4	-3
2011-12	Victoria Royals	WHL	71	23	39	62	70	-2	6	2	4	6	8	-1
2012-13	Victoria Royals	WHL	49	14	29	43	41	-7	8	3	4	7	19	+1
2013-14	Victoria Royals	WHL	59	23	31	54	38	+9	5	0	1	1	2	E
2014-15	Quad City Mallards	ECHL	43	16	12	28	29	+10						
2015-16	Quad City Mallards	ECHL	7	4	1	5	2	-1						
	Wichita Thunder	ECHL	47	9	7	16	46	-25						
2016-17	Wichita Thunder	ECHL	18	2	6	8	36	-6						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	31	10	15	25	29	-5						
2017-18	Norfolk Admirals	ECHL	9	0	2	2	8	-3						
	Orlando Solar Bears	ECHL	7	0	3	3	2	-5						
	Fort Wayne Komets	ECHL	29	3	8	11	20	+7						
	Indy Fuel	ECHL	21	7	12	19	8	-2	1	0	0	0	0	E
2018-19	Indy Fuel	ECHL	64	16	25	41	65	-17						
2019-20	Atlanta Gladiators	ECHL	55	12	29	41	44	-15						
2020-21	Birmingham Bulls	SPHL	39	13	36	49	63	-12						
2021-22	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	56	22	38	60	75	+3	11	8	6	14	14	E
	Tucson Roadrunners	AHL	5	0	0	0	2	-2						
2022-23	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	65	21	36	57	53	-18						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>457</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>+30</b>						
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>452</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>-77</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>E</b>
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**QUICK HITTERS**

- Drafted in 2010 (Rd. 14, 228 overall) by Des Moines Buccaneers in USHL Entry Draft.
- Drafted in 2012 by the NHL's Buffalo Sabres (Rd. 5, 133 overall)
- Led SPHL in assists and points during 2020-21 season with Birmingham. His performance earned him a second-team all-SPHL honor.
- Playing his second stint in the Rush organization. He is the only player on the roster to be playing in his second stint with the team.
- Led the 2021-22 Rush in points and assists. Team enjoyed a second-round playoff berth that season, the furthest the franchise has gone since joining the ECHL.
- Finished 2<sup>nd</sup> on the team in assists and 3<sup>rd</sup> on the team in total points last season.
- Announced his return to the Rush this season at Fan Fest on September 23, 2023.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 42 ALEX ALEARDI | F

5-9 | 170 LBS. | FORT WAYNE, IND. | JUNE 30, 1992 | 3<sup>RD</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2008-09	Kitchener Rangers	OHL	65	5	6	11	40	-2						
2009-10	Kitchener Rangers	OHL	22	1	8	9	18							
	Belleville Bulls	OHL	42	15	17	32	66	-14						
2010-11	Plymouth Whalers	OHL	57	20	19	39	53	9	11	2	2	4	10	-3
2011-12	Plymouth Whalers	OHL	68	36	29	65	79	28	13	6	4	10	8	+2
2012-13	Plymouth Whalers	OHL	39	15	14	29	44	5						
	Windsor Spitfires	OHL	28	12	30	42	20	-5						
	Springfield Falcons	AHL	3	1	1	2	5	1						
2013-14	Springfield Falcons	AHL	41	7	9	16	18	6						
	Evansville Icemen	ECHL	23	14	9	23	4	-5						
2014-15	Charlotte Checkers	AHL	48	12	11	23	18	-3						
	Florida Everblades	ECHL	16	8	11	19	10	7	8	1	5	6	16	+3
2015-16	Rögle BK	SHL	15	0	1	1	2	0						
	Asplöven HC	HockeyAllsvenskan	19	7	7	14	8		10	0	0	0	0	-9
2016-17	Mora IK	HockeyAllsvenskan	42	15	16	31	59	5	9	1	4	5	6	+4
2017-18	EC Salzburg	EBEL	13	3	8	11	8	3						
	Rouen	Ligue Magnus	23	9	22	31	82	16	15	9	11	20	42	+6
2018-19	Rouen	Ligue Magnus	44	35	21	56	83	38	16	8	10	18	32	+10
2019-20	Grenoble	Ligue Magnus	40	26	37	63	28	31	4	4	3	7	2	E
2020-21	Grenoble	Ligue Magnus	22	7	12	19	32	-3						
2021-22	Florida Everblades	ECHL	61	31	28	59	54	22	20	8	4	12	10	+9
2022-23	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	72	30	35	65	32	-6						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>489</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>+114</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			172	83	83	166	100	+18	28	9	9	18	26	+3

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2008 (Rd. 3, 43 overall) by the Kitchener Rangers in OHL Priority Selection.
- Went undrafted, but appeared in the 2013 NHL pre-season with Columbus. Aleardi played in every pre-season game before being assigned to Springfield (AHL).
- Won 2018 Ligue Magnus title with Rouen
- In 2018-19, Aleardi led Ligue Magnus in goals.
- In 2019-20, he was awarded the Charles Ramsey trophy as the Ligue Mangus leader in total points
- Won the 2022 Kelly Cup with the Florida Everblades
- Has logged 92 games in the AHL



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 44 TYSON HELGESEN | D

6-3 | 205 LBS. | FAIRVIEW, ALB. | JUNE 10, 1997 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2013-14	Whitecourt Wolverines	AJHL	55	0	5	5	56	-	5	0	0	0	2	-
	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	0	0	0	0	0	-	4	1	1	2	0	+1
2014-15	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	56	1	16	17	39	+7	6	0	1	1	4	E
2015-16	Spokane Chiefs	WHL	63	3	23	26	59	-4	6	0	1	1	4	-4
2016-17	Spokane Chiefs "C"	WHL	72	8	21	29	75	-4	7	1	5	6	0	+1
2017-18	Spokane Chiefs "C"	WHL	72	6	23	29	102	19	5	0	1	1	2	-
	Hartford Wolf Pack	AHL	4	0	0	0	2	+1	3	0	1	1	4	-
2018-19	Mount Royal Univ.	USports	28	0	7	7	26	-	5	0	1	1	2	-
2019-20	Mount Royal Univ.	USports	28	1	9	10	18	-	5	0	0	0	16	-
2020-21	Mount Royal Univ.	USports	0	0	0	0	0	-	11	1	1	2	7	+4
2021-22	Mount Royal Univ.	USports	20	2	8	10	14	-	11	1	1	2	7	+4
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	15	1	4	5	13	+2						
2022-23	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	66	2	14	16	117	-3						
	Calgary Wranglers	AHL	1	0	0	0	0	+1						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>		<b>86</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>+1</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>+4</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>		<b>81</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>-1</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>+4</b>

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2012 (Rd. 5, 102 overall) by Spokane Chiefs in WHL Entry Draft
- Junior teammates in Spokane with Kailer and Keanu Yamamoto.
- Served as Spokane's captain his final two seasons with the organization (2016-18)
- Brother, Kenton, also played for the Rush. The brothers played a season together last year.
- Mount Royal University is the alma mater of WWE legend Bret Hart



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 47 CHARLES MARTIN | D

6-0 | 190 LBS. | BLAINVILLE, QUE. | MARCH 30, 1998 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2016-17	Collège Lionel-Groulx Nordiques	QCHL	28	0	1	1	36	0	1	0	0	0	0	E
2017-18	Saint-Jérôme Panthères	QJHL	49	7	11	18	56	13	9	2	1	3	16	-4
2018-19	Notre Dame Hounds	SJHL	56	9	27	36	124	-	3	2	2	4	12	-
2019-20	Univ. of Wisconsin-Superior	NCAA III	27	0	4	4	18							
2020-21	Univ. of Wisconsin-Superior	NCAA III	10	1	4	5	6							
2021-22	Univ. of Wisconsin-Superior	NCAA III	29	2	7	9	34							
2022-23	Univ. of Wisconsin-Superior	NCAA III	28	3	15	18	30							
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	19	1	8	9	10	+4						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>86</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>+1</b>						
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>+4</b>						
<b>ROOKIE</b>														
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## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted 2022, 6 #52 overall by Donnacona Metal Perreault in the LHSAAAQ Draft
- 2021 WIAC Champion with Wisconsin-Superior
- 2023 WIAC All-Conference selection



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 59 RHETT KINGSTON | F

6-1 | 194 LBS. | BLACK DIAMOND, ALB. | NOVEMBER 4, 1997 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2014-15	Notre Dame Hounds	SJHL	4	1	2	3	2	-	10	1	0	1	2	-
2015-16	Notre Dame Hounds	SJHL	17	7	8	15	16	-						
	Brooks Bandits	AJHL	6	1	1	2	2	-						
	Drumheller Dragons	AJHL	22	5	7	12	8	-						
2016-17	Cowichan Valley Capitals	BCHL	55	16	14	30	37	E	3	0	0	0	7	E
2017-18	Salmon Arm Silverbacks	BCHL	54	24	26	50	20	E	4	2	2	4	0	E
2018-19	Western Michigan Univ.	NCAA	13	2	1	3	6	+3						
2019-20	Western Michigan Univ.	NCAA	33	9	8	17	31	+10						
2020-21	Western Michigan Univ.	NCAA	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2021-22	Western Michigan Univ.	NCAA	10	1	0	1	6	-2						
	SUNY-Plattsburgh	NCAA III2	0	0	0	0	2	-2						
2022-23	Fayetteville Marksmen	SPHL	2	0	0	0	0	-1						
	Macon Mayhem	SPHL	47	23	14	37	99	-23						
	Savannah Ghost Pirates	ECHL	3	0	0	0	0	E						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>52</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>-24</b>						
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			3	0	0	0	0	E						
<b>ROOKIE</b>														
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## QUICK HITTERS

- In 2022-23, led SPHL rookies in goals with 23.
- 2023 SPHL All-Rookie team selection
- Played two games with Fayetteville (SPHL) before being traded to Macon (SPHL). In 13 games vs. Fayetteville, Kingston scored 16 points (11g, 5a) against Fayetteville.
- Kingston has only three fingers on his right hand. He scored a hat trick at Western Michigan and proceeded to remove his right hand from his glove to show the crowd his three fingers in celebration.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

# 60 JARROD GOURLEY | D

6-2 | 212 LBS. | CALGARY, ALB. | JUNE 29, 1999 | 2<sup>ND</sup> ECHL SEASON



Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2015-16	Brooks Bandits	AJHL	27	1	6	7	38	-						
Canada White U17		WHC-17	6	0	1	1	4	-						
2016-17	Brooks Bandits	AJHL	1	0	0	0	0	-						
Spruce Grove Saints		AJHL	56	1	9	10	75	-	10	0	1	1	28	-
2017-18	Spruce Grove Saints	AJHL	43	9	18	27	132	-	13	3	5	8	10	-
2018-19	Arizona State Univ.	NCAA	33	3	5	8	46	-3						
2019-20	Arizona State Univ.	NCAA	35	2	6	8	29	+5						
2020-21	Arizona State Univ.	NCAA	22	2	2	4	10	-3						
2021-22	Univ. of Connecticut	NCAA	35	3	4	7	14	+5						
Adirondack Thunder		ECHL	10	1	1	2	0	-4						
Utica Comets		AHL	4	1	0	1	0	-6						
2022-23	Utica Comets	AHL	8	1	1	2	14	+3	2	0	0	0	21	E
Adirondack Thunder		ECHL	38	4	9	13	57	+9						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>60</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>+2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>48</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>+5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>E</b>

## QUICK HITTERS

- Drafted in 2016 by the Ottawa 76's in the second round of the OHL Entry Draft (30<sup>th</sup> overall)
- 2016 OHL Champion
- Ranked 78<sup>th</sup> in 2018 NHL Entry Draft by NHL Central Scouting.
- Represented Team Canada (Red) in 2017 U17 World Junior Classic. Robertson played alongside Ty Dellandrea and Kevin Bahl, both of whom are in the NHL now. The Canada Red team lost to Canada White in the tournament quarterfinals.



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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# CARTER ROBERTSON | D

6-3 | 200 LBS. | HOLLING LANDING, ONT. | JANUARY 15, 2000 | 3<sup>RD</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2016-17	Ottawa 67's	OHL	44	1	8	9	14	-6						
	Canada Red U17	WHC-175	0	1	1	2	-							
2017-18	Ottawa 67's	OHL	57	5	13	18	24	-10	2	0	0	0	0	-
2018-19	Owen Sound Attack	OHL	66	2	21	23	69	-14						
2019-20	Owen Sound Attack	OHL	62	11	22	33	71	+5	5	0	1	1	6	+4
2020-21	HK 32 Liptovsky Mikulas	Slovakia	19	2	6	8	34	-11	5	0	3	3	4	-1
2021-22	Norfolk Admirals	ECHL	38	4	7	11	24	-16						
	Charlotte Checkers	AHL	5	1	0	1	4	+2						
2022-23	Norfolk Admirals	ECHL	3	0	0	0	4	-4						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	55	5	22	27	48	+13						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>101</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN PRO PLAYOFFS</b>					
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>96</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>HAS NOT APPEARED IN ECHL PLAYOFFS</b>					

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## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

**89 MARK DUARTE | F**6-2 | 187 LBS. | HAMILTON, ONT. | SEPTEMBER 27, 2002 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2018-19	Hamilton Kilty B's	GOJHL	38	11	14	25	14	-	5	2	2	4	2	-
2019-20	Hamilton Bulldogs	OHL	27	1	4	5	10	1	10	3	5	8	2	-
2020-21	Hamilton Bulldogs	OHL	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	2	1	3	5	-2
2021-22	Hamilton Bulldogs	OHL	53	10	14	24	32	2						
2022-23	Soo Greyhounds	OHL	65	20	28	48	21	-14						

**PRO CAREER TOTALS:** ROOKIE

**ECHL TOTALS:** ROOKIE

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**QUICK HITTERS**

- Drafted in 2018 by the Hamilton Bulldogs (Rd. 14, 278 overall) in the OHL Priority Selection Draft.
- 2019 GOJHL Future Stars Game MVP for Team Moreau
- 2022 OHL Champion
- Assigned to Rapid City by Calgary (AHL) on October 10, 2023



## RAPID CITY RUSH BIOGRAPHIES

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## BLAKE BENNETT | F

5-9 | 183 LBS. | GRAND ISLAND, N.Y. | OCTOBER 27, 1998 | 1<sup>ST</sup> ECHL SEASON

Year	Team	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS						
		League	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIMs	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM	+/-
2014-15	Halton Ravens	GMHL	30	16	23	39	63	-	16	1	2	3	10	-
2015-16	Springfield Express	WSHL	5	0	2	2	2	-	7	3	7	10	12	-
2016-17	Buffalo Regals	GOJHL	20	7	2	9	32	-	5	4	4	8	0	+4
	Lockport Express	NA3HL	31	36	31	67	28	+29						
2017-18	Charlotte Rush	USPHL Premier	42	24	28	52	26	-						
2018-19	Corpus Christi IceRays	NAHL	59	22	38	60	65	-9						
2019-20	American International College	NCAA	0	0	0	0	0	-						
2020-21	American International College	NCAA	5	2	1	3	2	+1						
2021-22	American International College	NCAA	37	20	14	34	20	+10						
2022-23	American International College	NCAA	38	22	13	35	35	E						
	Rapid City Rush	ECHL	15	1	4	5	6	E						
<b>PRO CAREER TOTALS:</b>			<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>E</b>						
<b>ECHL TOTALS:</b>			<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>E</b>						
<b>ROOKIE</b>														
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## QUICK HITTERS

- 2019 All-NAHL South Division team selection
- Led Corpus Christi in points and assists during the 2018-19 season.
- 2021 AHA Conference Champion at A.I.C.
- 2022 AHA Conference Champion. Bennett was also named to the AHA All-Tournament Team and was selected as Tournament MVP.
- Older brother, Shane, has been a long-time forward for the SPHL's Quad City Storm.