

ICE FLYERS HOCKEY

WIENER DOG RACE NIGHT
GAME 28 | JANUARY 14, 2023 | 7:05 PM

13-14-0

17-9-1

PENSACOLA ICE FLYERS

BIRMINGHAM BULLS

SEASON SERIES RECORD

Overall (2-4-0) Home (2-2-0) Away (0-2-0)

LAST MEETING Jan. 7 at Birmingham 1-0 L NEXT MEETING Feb. 19 at Pensacola

ALL TIME vs. BIRMINGHAM (35-18-5)



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GAME PREVIEW

The Ice Flyers came into Friday's matchup against the Huntsville Havoc with a four-game losing streak hanging over their head. Pensacola spent the week making a flurry of changes to the roster. Defenseman Preston Kugler was traded to the Macon Mayhem and Goalie Christian Pavlas was waived. Pensacola brought in net minder Brad Arvanitis who carried a .904 save percentage over four games with the Tulsa Oilers of the ECHL. The other addition is a familiar face. Veteran defenseman Jason Price returns to Pensacola. Price signed with the floundering Ice Flyers mid-way through the 2018-19 season and helped save the year by going 19-6-3 down the stretch. This is in his 15th season in the league and the Ice Flyers are looking to recapture some of that magic. The big-bodied D-man played in Knoxville last season scoring 46 points on 11 goals and 35 assists.

Huntsville has gotten the better of Pensacola this year leading the series 5-2-0. Huntsville came out swinging jumping to an early 2-0 lead on a pair of Jamie Bucell power play goals. The Ice Flyers would respond in the second period with Brandon Makara netting his fourth and fifth goals of the year. With the game knotted at 2 in the third period, Garrett Milan would head to the penalty box for cross-checking. This opened the door for a beautiful one-timer by Rob Darrar to put the Havoc back in control. But that didn't sit right with Milan, who would equalize the game with his own power play one-timer just 3 minutes later. The remainder of the third frame saw spectacular goaltending by both Pensacola's Brad Arvanitis and Huntsville's Mike Robinson. This continued past regulation and ultimately saw the Ice Flyers and the Havoc square off in a shootout. Brandon Makara picked up the game-winner on the Ice Flyers first attempt as Arvanitis denied all four Havoc shooters. The final 4-3 Pensacola.

With the losing streak snapped and the comeback in Huntsville complete, the Ice Flyers turn their attention back to a familiar foe, the Birmingham Bulls. The Bulls return to the Hangar on a three-game winning streak and sole possession of second place in the standings. The Bulls sport a scorching 108 goals scored this season a full 10 goals better than the runner-up. Pensacola's goalies will have to deal with Michael Gillespie who is tied for second in the league for points with Ice Flyer Garrett Millan (38 Points). The Ice Flyers are looking to build off the moment generated in Huntsville last night and change the trajectory of the season. The opportunity is there as the Ice Flyers begin a six-game homestand that will take them to February.

Saturday's game will also see the triumphant return of the Wiener Dog Races. A record-breaking amount of dogs are participating in this years annual intermission races. Stay glued to your seats to catch all the action during the break. The first intermission will sport 3 heats with the top three "Wieners" from each race moving on to the championship race in the second period. But if you love bedlam and mayhem, the consolation race will see every remaining dog facing off for a wild card spot in the championship race. All this, plus more, on another great night for hockey in Pensacola!

BIRMINGHAM BULLS ROSTER

HC CRAIG SIMCHUK

3rd SEASON BULLS CAREER **47 - 64 - 14 (.432)**

Assistant Coach Kevin Kerr | Athletic Trainer Ray Pack
Equipment Manager Cody Miller

#	Name	Pos.	Sh.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	Birthtown
2	Doug Blaisdell	D		6-2	200	Feb 20, 1997	Dearborn Heights, MI
5	Nick Minerva	D		5-11	190	Feb 12, 1996	New Brunswick, NJ
6	Taylor Brierley	D		5-11	180	Jul 31, 1996	East Grand Forks, MN
7	Matt Wiesner	C		5-9	190	Aug 20, 1997	Newport Beach, CA
8	Scott Donahue	LW		5-11	185	Apr 5, 1996	Commack, NY
9	Ryan Romeo	D		5-11	185	Sep 28, 1996	Fairport, NY
11	Stefan Brucato	LW		5-11	200	May 21, 1992	Riverside, CA
12	Dylan Johnson	RW		5-8	180	Nov 3, 1998	Cloquet, MN
17	Michael Gillespie	RW		5-9	170	Apr 23, 1996	New City, NY
18	Troy MacTavish	RW		6-1	200	Dec 10, 1997	Ottawa, ON
21	Zac Masson	C		6-2	205	Feb 2, 1996	Newmarket, ON
22	Mike Davis	LW		5-8	190	May 6, 1993	Newark, DE
23	Chase Carter	D		5-11	175	Apr 30, 2000	Truro, NS
24	Chris Peters	RW		6-2	175	Apr 16, 1997	Fairport, NY
26	Danny Vanderwiel	D		6-0	200	Feb 17, 1995	Island Lake, IL
29	Jonathan Pace	D		5-10	190	Apr 27, 1998	Hamilton, ON
37	Jake Pappalardo	C		6-0	185	Jul 11, 1997	Salem, NH
57	Austin Lotz	G		6-0	185	May 27, 1995	Winnipeg, MB
80	Hayden Stewart	G		6-3	225	Jul 22, 1994	Rockford, IL

SPHL STANDINGS

Rank	Team	GP	GR	W	L	OTL	SL	PTS	PCT
1	Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs	27	29	18	7	1	1	38	0.704
2	Birmingham Bulls	27	29	17	9	1	0	35	0.648
3	Evansville Thunderbolts	29	27	16	11	2	0	34	0.586
4	Peoria Rivermen	25	31	16	7	2	0	34	0.680
5	Huntsville Havoc	27	29	16	9	1	1	34	0.630
6	Knoxville Ice Bears	27	29	15	9	1	2	33	0.611
7	Fayetteville Marksmen	28	28	15	11	2	0	32	0.571
8	Pensacola Ice Flyers	27	29	13	14	0	0	26	0.481
9	Quad City Storm	27	29	12	13	1	1	26	0.481
10	Macon Mayhem	23	33	4	17	2	0	10	0.217
11	Vermilion County Bobcats	25	31	4	20	1	0	9	0.180

ICE FLYERS SCHEDULE

Thu.	Oct. 20	vs. Huntsville	6-4 L
Sat.	Oct. 22	vs. Macon	5-3 W
Sat.	Oct. 29	vs. Huntsville	5-3 W
Thu.	Nov. 3	at Huntsville	4-1 L
Fri.	Nov. 4	at Evansville	3-2 L
Sat.	Nov. 5	at Evansville	4-3 L
Fri.	Nov. 11	vs. Fayetteville	6-4 L
Sat.	Nov. 12	vs. Fayetteville	6-1 W
Fri.	Nov. 18	at Macon	3-2 OTW
Sat.	Nov. 19	vs. Roanoke	2-0 W
Wed.	Nov. 23	vs. Huntsville	4-3 L
Fri.	Nov. 25	at Knoxville	4-2 L
Sat.	Nov. 26	at Knoxville	4-3 OTW
Sun.	Nov. 27	at Macon	6-5 OTW
Fri.	Dec. 2	vs. Huntsville	7-4 L
Sat.	Dec. 3	vs. Birmingham	6-5 OTW
Fri.	Dec. 9	at Birmingham	5-2 L
Sat.	Dec. 10	at Macon	2-0 W
Fri.	Dec. 16	vs. Huntsville	3-2 W
Sat.	Dec. 17	at Huntsville	4-2 L
Fri.	Dec. 23	vs. Birmingham	7-3 W
Tue.	Dec. 27	vs. Macon	6-4 W
Fri.	Dec. 30	vs. Birmingham	6-4 L
Sat.	Dec. 31	at Macon	3-2 L
Fri.	Jan. 6	vs. Birmingham	5-2 L
Sat.	Jan. 7	at Birmingham	1-0 L
Fri.	Jan. 13	at Huntsville	4-3 OTW
Sat.	Jan. 14	vs. Birmingham	
Mon.	Jan. 16	vs. Macon	
Fri.	Jan. 20	vs. Macon	
Sat.	Jan. 21	vs. Macon	
Fri.	Jan. 27	vs. Roanoke	
Sat.	Jan. 28	vs. Roanoke	
Fri.	Feb. 3	at Roanoke	
Sat.	Feb. 4	at Roanoke	
Fri.	Feb. 10	vs. Peoria	
Sat.	Feb. 11	vs. Peoria	
Sun.	Feb. 19	vs. Birmingham	
Mon.	Feb. 20	at Birmingham	
Fri.	Feb. 24	at Birmingham	
Sat.	Feb. 25	at Birmingham	
Sun.	Feb. 26	at Macon	
Thu.	Mar. 2	at Quad City	
Sat.	Mar. 4	at Quad City	
Sun.	Mar. 5	at Quad City	
Sat.	Mar. 11	vs. Knoxville	
Sun.	Mar. 12	vs. Knoxville	
Thu.	Mar. 16	at Fayetteville	
Fri.	Mar. 17	at Fayetteville	
Sat.	Mar. 18	at Fayetteville	
Fri.	Mar. 24	vs. Evansville	
Sat.	Mar. 25	vs. Evansville	
Sun.	Mar. 26	vs. Evansville	
Fri.	Mar. 31	at Huntsville	
Sat.	Apr. 1	at Huntsville	
Sat.	Apr. 8	at Birmingham	



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STATS KEY: G-A-PTS +/-

FORWARDS

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GARRETT MILAN (C)

LW | 5-8 | 165 | Shoots: L
North Vancouver, BC | 04/05/91
22-23: 27 GP | 13-25-38 | -2

LAST 3: BHM 0-1-1 -2 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 1-0-1 0

18

JOEY SOFO

LW | 5-10 | 185 | Shoots: L
Sylvania, OH | 08/07/96
22-23: 21 GP | 3-7-10 | -9

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 0 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

24

BRENDAN SHEEHAN

RW | 6-3 | 201 | Shoots: R
St. Croix Falls, WI | 05/22/98
22-23: 5 GP | 0-0-0 | 0

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 -1 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

67

MALIK JOHNSON (A)

C | 6-1 | 185 | Shoots: L
LaSalle, QC | 06/06/95
22-23: 21 GP | 10-6-16 | +2

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 -1 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-1-1 +2

12

STEVEN LEONARD

RW | 5-10 | 189 | Shoots: R
Rockaway Park, NY | 01/19/95
22-23: 13 GP | 3-3-6 | -7

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 0 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-2-2 +2

19

TOMMY STANG

C | 5-11 | 174 | Shoots: L
Mendota Heights, MN | 05/23/97
22-23: 15 GP | 5-4-9 | -4

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 -2 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

42

IVAN BONDARENKO

LW | 5-9 | 170 | Shoots: L
Moskva, RUS | 01/25/97
22-23: 27 GP | 5-18-23 | -8

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 -2 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

91

BRANDEN MAKARA

RW | 6-0 | 185 | Shoots: R
Ottawa, ON | 05/22/97
22-23: 22 GP | 6-0-6 | -11

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 0 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 3-0-3 +2

16

KOLTEN OLYNEK

C | 5-8 | 165 | Shoots: L
Saskatoon, SK | 02/13/96
22-23: 20 GP | 9-10-19 | -12

LAST 3: BHM 1-0-1 -3 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

20

WEILAND PARRISH (A)

C | 6-1 | 170 | Shoots: L
Bloomington, MN | 11/19/97
22-23: 23 GP | 10-19-29 | -2

LAST 3: On Loan to the Rapid City Rush (ECHL)

44

MITCH ATKINS

C | 5-11 | 185 | Shoots: R
Kitchener, ON | 08/26/94
22-23: 26 GP | 3-16-19 | -3

LAST 3: BHM 0-1-1 -1 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-1-1 0

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

55 PRESTON KUGLER

Traded to Macon for Future Considerations

30 CHRISTIAN PAVLAS

Waived on 1/12/23

DEFENSEMEN

8

CORY DENNIS

D | 6-1 | 190 | Shoots: L
Madison, WI | 02/16/97
22-23: 18 GP | 2-7-9 | -8

LAST 3: BHM DNP | BHM DNP | HSV DNP

13

JASON PRICE

D | 6-3 | 216 | Shoots: L
Farmington Hills, MI | 02/08/85
22-23: Signed 1/12/13

15

TROY BUTTON

D | 6-2 | 179 | Shoots: R
Royal Oak, MI | 02/09/97
22-23: 17 GP | 0-4-4 | -2

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 0 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 +1

17

SETH ENSOR

D | 6-0 | 190 | Shoots: R
Sugar Land, TX | 01/16/94
22-23: 17 GP | 4-3-7 | -4

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 0 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 0

74

JORDAN HENDERSON

D | 6-0 | 180 | Shoots: L
Vancouver, BC | 03/26/97
22-23: 24 GP | 2-5-7 | -4

LAST 3: MAC 0-0-0 -3 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | MAC 0-0-0 1

83

NICK LEITNER

D | 6-0 | 194 | Shoots: R
Bemidji, MN | 04/17/98
22-23: 6 GP | 1-2-3 | -3

LAST 3: BHM 0-0-0 -2 | BHM 0-0-0 0 | HSV 0-0-0 +1

GOALTENDERS

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BRAD ARVANITIS

G | 6-2 | 194 | Catches: L
Holliston, MA | 08/24/97
22-23: 1-0-0 | 2.77 | .885%

35

RILEY MORRIS

G | 5-10 | 190 | Catches: L
Calgary, AB | 02/04/97
22-23: 0-2-0 | 2.61 | .921%

INJURED RESERVE

HC ROD ALDOFF 8th SEASON
ICE FLYERS CAREER **224 - 143 - 48 (.540)**

Rod Aldoff coached the Ice Flyers during the 2013-16 seasons as well as part of the 2016-17 season before returning in 2018, leading the team to three SPHL championships and one regular season championship. Over his time with the organization, Aldoff became the winningest coach in Ice Flyers history. He was named SPHL Coach of the Year for the 2013-14 season.

Athletic Trainer Jackie Findeisen
Equipment Manager Jim Chesnut

