



SASKATOON BLADES GAME NOTES



GAME #57 - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2018 @ 7:00PM MST, WESTERN FINANCIAL PLACE, CRANBROOK, BC

Saskatoon Blades (35-13-8-0 – 78pts)

2nd – East Division **2nd** – Eastern Conference

PP – 53/242 = 21.9% (12th in WHL)

PK – 150/190 = 78.9% (10th in WHL)

Last 5: (5-0-0-0) **Streak:** (9-0-2-0)

Kootenay ICE (11-35-7-1 – 30pts)

6th – Central Division **11th** – Eastern Conference

PP – 44/230 = 19.1% (15th in WHL)

PK – 134/192 = 69.8% (22nd in WHL)

Last 5: (1-4-0-0) **Streak:** (0-3-0-0)

Tonight... The Saskatoon Blades will visit Cranbrook for the final time in history, taking on the Kootenay ICE for game 2 of a 3-game trip through the Central Division. The Blades enter tonight on a 5-game win streak, and an unbeaten streak of 11 (9-0-2-0) which is the longest active streak in the WHL. Saskatoon remains 10 points ahead of Moose Jaw in the East Division; the Warriors have 3 games in hand. The magic number for the Blades to clinch a playoff spot is 7... any points gained by Saskatoon or lost by Brandon count towards the 7.

The last game... **Max Gerlach** (34,35) had 2 goals and **Dawson Davidson** had 3A in a 6-3 win on Wednesday in Medicine Hat. **Chase Wouters** (13) also had a 3-point night (1G-2A) while **Ryan Hughes** (21), **Eric Florchuk** (18), and **Tristen Robins** (8) also scored. Nolan Maier made 25 saves in his 29th win of the year.

Head to head... Tonight is game 3 of a 4-game season series and will serve as a tiebreaker as each team has 1 win; the road team has won both times. They haven't played since November when they met twice on the 1st and 10th... **Gary Haden** leads the Blades offense with a pair of goals, **Peyton Krebs** leads the ICE with 1G-2A.

Who's hot... **Dawson Davidson** has the longest active point streak running in the WHL with 24 points in 14 games. Davidson has also registered multiple points in each of his last 4 games. **Max Gerlach** is coming off a 2-goal night on Wednesday, is riding a 12-game point streak, and has 7 points in his last 3 games. **Chase Wouters** has 5 points in his last 2 games, and 9pts in his last 7GP.

Dawson's Streak... **Dawson Davidson** leads all WHL defensemen in points with 64 in 56 games played. He enters tonight's game on a career high 14-game point streak (2G-22A), surpassing his previous high of 9 games earlier in the season. He has multiple points in 4 straight games, totaling 10pts in his last 4 outings.

Mad Max... **Max Gerlach** leads the Blades with 35 goals, and 13 PPG. He's currently on a 12-game point streak, and has already matched his career high of 35 from last season. In his last 22 games, **Gerlach** has been held pointless once.

Rookie Roundup... **Tristen Robins** has 5 points in his last 3 games, **Kyle Crnkovic** has 18pts in 21 games since the Christmas break. **Majid Kaddoura** has a +18 rating. **Emil Malysjev** has 2G-13A and a +11 rating.

Draft watch... **Kirby Dach**—Team WHL at the CIBC Canada Russia Series, Captain of Team Orr at the CHL/NHL Top Prospects game—is the top ranked CHL player for the upcoming 2019 NHL Draft sitting at #2 among North American skaters behind only consensus #1 pick Jack Hughes. **Emil Malysjev** is ranked 208th among North American skaters. **Nolan Maier** was rated a 'C' in the September rankings. '00 F **Chase Wouters** went undrafted last June but did attend Tampa Bay Lightning's summer, rookie, and main camps.



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INJURY REPORT

DE LA GORGENDIERE: UPPER BODY, TBD

CURRENT STREAKS

DAWSON DAVIDSON: 14GP – 2G- 22A

MAX GERLACH: 12GP – 11G, 10A

GARY HADEN: 9GP – 10G, 8A

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

13 FORWARDS

7 DEFENSEMAN

2 GOALIES

AGE BREAKDOWN:

1998 – 3 2001 - 5

1999 – 7 2002 – 2

2000 – 5

MILESTONE TRACKER

100 CAREER POINTS – NOLAN KNEEN (94)

100 CAREER POINTS – ERIC FLORCHUK (99)

100 CAREER ASSISTS – RYAN HUGHES (97)

TEAM LEADERS:

GOALS: GERLACH (35)

ASSISTS: DAVIDSON (54)

POINTS: DAVIDSON (64)

PENALTY MINUTES: MCKAY (117)

+/-: DAVIDSON (+22)

PPG: GERLACH (13)

SOG: GERLACH (195)

GWG: HADEN (7)

ROOKIE PTS: ROYKAS-MARTHINSEN (24)

FACEOFF %: WOUTERS (54%)

SV%: MAIER (.909) GAA: MAIER (2.69)

WINS: MAIER (29) SO: MAIER (2)

HOW THEY WERE BUILT

ROUND	#	PLAYER (OVERALL - YEAR)
1 ST	4	WOUTERS(19 th - 2015), DACH(2 nd - 2016), DE LA GORGENDIERE(5 th - 2017), CRNKOVIC(10 th - 2017)
2 ND	1	MAIER(25 th - 2016)
3 RD	1	LUDING(66 th - 2014)
EURO	2	MALYSJEV (23 rd - 2018), ROYKAS-MARTHINSEN(83 rd - 2018)
LIST	2	KADDOURA (2016), SCHMIDT (2017)
TRADE	12	MCKAY(SPO), HARSCH (SEA), KNEEN (KAM), GERLACH (MH), DAVIDSON (REG), FLORCHUK (VIC), ROBINS (REG), SCHULDHAUS (MJ), HADEN (MH), HUBER (CGY), HUGHES (POR), MCNABB (KTN)

ROSTER MOVES

DATE	ACQUIRED	FROM	IN EXCHANGE FOR
OCT. 2	'98 D BRANDON SCHULDHAUS	MOOSE JAW	2019 5 TH RD PICK, 2020 2 ND RD PICK
OCT. 11	2020 3 RD ROUND PICK	KELOWNA	2000 F MICHAEL FARREN
OCT. 25	'99 F GARY HADEN	MEDICINE HAT	'99 F LOGAN CHRISTENSEN
OCT. 30	'00 F ZACH HUBER	CALGARY	2020 6 TH RD PICK
NOV. 26	'99 D NOLAN KNEEN	KAMLOOPS	'99 D JACKSON CALLER, 2020 2 ND RD PICK (REG), 2020 3 RD RD PICK (KEL)
DEC. 10	2019 4 TH ROUND PICK	VICTORIA	'99 D JAKE KUSTRA, 2019 7 TH RD PICK (VIC)
JAN. 2	'99 D REECE HARSCH	SEATTLE	'01 D ZACH ASHTON, 2022 5 TH RD PICK
JAN. 2	2021 5 TH RD PICK (VAN)	VANCOUVER	'00 D SETH BAFARO
JAN. 7	'00 F CYLE MCNABB	KOOTENAY	'00 F BRANDON MACHADO, 2021 5 TH RD PICK
JAN. 10	'99 F RYAN HUGHES	PORTLAND	'99 F JOSH PATERSON, 2020 2 ND (SC), 2021 4 TH



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2018-19 TEAM RECORDS

SITUATION	RECORD
1-GOAL GAMES	12-4-8-0
2-GOAL GAMES	8-4-0-0
3-PLUS-GOAL GAMES	15-5-0-0
SCORING FIRST	22-9-7-0
OPP. SCORING FIRST	13-4-1-0
LEADING AFTER 2 PER.	25-2-4-0
TRAILING AFTER 2 PER.	2-6-3-0
TIED AFTER 2 PER.	8-5-1-0

OVERTIME RECORD	4-8
SHOOTOUT RECORD	2-0
OUT-SHOOTING OPP.	23-4-3-0
OUT-SHOT BY OPP.	10-7-5-0
SHOTS ARE EVEN	2-2-0-0
VS. BC	3-1-1-0
VS. US	3-2-0-0
VS. CENTRAL	11-4-4-0
VS. EAST	18-6-3-0

MONTH	GAMES	RECORD	HOME	ROAD
SEPTEMBER	4	3-1-0-0	2-0-0-0	1-1-0-0
OCTOBER	12	6-4-2-0	2-2-1-0	4-2-1-0
NOVEMBER	12	7-4-1-0	2-2-0-0	5-2-1-0
DECEMBER	10	6-2-2-0	3-1-1-0	3-1-1-0
JANUARY	11	7-2-2-0	5-1-2-0	2-1-0-0
FEBRUARY	12	6-0-1-0	2-0-1-0	4-0-0-0
MARCH	7	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0
TOTALS	68	35-13-8-0	16-6-5-0	19-7-3-0

LAST 5

FEB. 5TH @ BRANDON: 7-3 W
 FEB. 6TH VS MOOSE JAW: 6-1 W
 FEB. 9TH @ SWIFT CURRENT: 4-1 W
 FEB. 10TH VS BRANDON: 6-3 W
 FEB. 14TH @ MEDICINE HAT: 6-3 W

NEXT 5

FEB. 16TH @ LETHBRIDGE: 7PM
 FEB. 22ND @ BRANDON: 730PM
 FEB. 23RD VS KOOTENAY: 7PM
 FEB. 26TH VS LETHBRIDGE: 7PM
 MAR. 1ST VS REGINA: 7PM