



VICTORIA ROYALS HOCKEY CLUB

# GAME NOTES

Saturday, February 28th VS Portland Winterhawks

**LAST GAME:** The Victoria Royals hosted the Portland Winterhawks last night in the opening match of a back-to-back series at the Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre. **Cruz Waltze** (4) opened the scoring off an assist from Wyatt Danyleyko at 9:15 of the first period, and **Landon Young** (3) followed with a tally assisted by Miles Cooper. The Winterhawks were unable to get on the board through the first, and the Royals led 2-0 headed into the first intermission. Portland brought the game within one with a goal at 13:59 of the second period, but the Royals held their 2-1 lead after 40 minutes of play. A Winterhawks goal at 11:30 of the third period tied the game at two, and though the teams remained tied headed into the final minute of regulation, a last-minute goal from the Winterhawks brought the final score to 3-2 Portland.

**TONIGHT:** The Royals close their season series with the Portland Winterhawks at the Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre.

**PLAYERS TO WATCH:** With the game-opening tally in last night's game, **Cruz Waltze** has earned two goals in three games and boasts the Royals' highest +/- . Coming off his appearance in the 2026 WHL Prospects Game last week, defenceman **Timofei Runtso** has earned a goal and two assists to remain the team's top rookie.

**NEXT GAME:** The Royals will embark on a four-game road trip, starting this Friday, March 6th to take on the Kamloops Blazers. Puck drop is set for 7:00 PM at the Sandman Centre in Kamloops.

## LAST 5 GAMES

2/20/26 VS WEN (6-1 L)  
2/21/26 VS WEN (3-1 W)  
2/24/26 @ TC (4-3 OTW)  
2/25/26 @ SPO (4-3 L)  
2/27/26 VS POR (3-2 L)

## NEXT 5 GAMES

3/6/26 @ KAM (7:00 PM)  
3/7/26 @ KEL (6:05 PM)  
3/10/26 @ SEA (7:05 PM)  
3/11/26 @ KEL (7:05 PM)  
3/13/26 VS VAN (7:05 PM)

## SEASON SERIES VS POR

10/26/25 @ POR (3-2 OTW)  
2/12/26 @ POR (5-4 SOW)  
2/27/26 VS POR (3-2 L)  
2/28/26 VS POR (4:05 PM)



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### UPCOMING MILESTONES

### RECENT MILESTONES

Ethan Eskit - 100th career WHL game (2/25/26)

### 25/26 PLAYER LEADERS

Goals	Woodward (30)
Assists	Stewart (30)
Points	Woodward (52)
Plus/Minus	Waltze (+8)

### 25/26 GOALIE LEADERS

Wins	Eskit (21)
Shutouts	Eskit (1)
Save %	Eskit (.903)
GAA	Eskit (3.03)

### TEAM STATS

When scoring first: 17-10-2-2  
 When allowing first goal: 8-15-3-1

### SPECIAL TEAMS

Powerplay: 20.1%  
 Penalty Kill: 79.8%

### AFTER FIRST

When leading: 14-5-2-1  
 When trailing: 5-15-2-1  
 When tied: 6-5-1-1

### AFTER SECOND

When leading: 19-2-1-1  
 When trailing: 3-17-2-1  
 When tied: 3-6-2-1

### DAYS OF THE WEEK

Sunday	4-0-2-0
Monday	2-0-0-0
Tuesday	1-5-0-0
Wednesday	2-3-0-1
Thursday	2-1-0-0
Friday	7-8-1-1
Saturday	7-8-2-0

### MONTH BY MONTH

September	2-0-1-0
October	5-3-1-1
November	4-7-1-0
December	3-2-2-2
January	6-6-0-0
February	5-7-0-0
March	0-0-0-0



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## YEARLY BREAKDOWN

**2005-born (3):** Cosmo Wilson, Reggie Newman, Roan Woodward

**2006-born (8):** Seth Fryer, Hayden Moore, Landon Young, Heath Nelson, Miles Cooper, Ethan Eskit, Jake Pilon, Cohen Massey

**2007-born (6):** Caleb Matthews, Wyatt Danyleyko, Henry Peterson, Timofei Runtso, Ashton Brown, Max Silver

**2008-born (5):** Nolan Stewart, Layne Schofield, Cruz Waltze, Odin Vauhkonen, Owen McCarthy

**2009-born (2):** Ludovic Perreault, Eli McKamey

## WHERE THEY CAME FROM

**WHL Prospects Draft:** Caleb Matthews (2022), Seth Fryer (2021), Reggie Newman (2020), Wyatt Danyleyko (2022), Owen McCarthy (2023), Nolan Stewart (2023), Eli McKamey (2024), Ludovic Perreault (2024)

**WHL US Priority Draft:** Odin Vauhkonen (2023), Cruz Waltze (2023)

**Acquired via trade:** Cosmo Wilson (MJ), Hayden Moore (WEN), Ashton Brown (REG), Miles Cooper (WEN), Roan Woodward (EDM), Ethan Eskit (BDN), Jake Pilon (KEL)

**Listed:** Layne Schofield, Landon Young, Timofei Runtso, Henry Peterson, Heath Nelson, Cohen Massey, Max Silver



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### GOALTENDERS

#	Player	YOB	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	SO	GAA	SV%	Draft	HT	WT
1	Jake Pilon	'06	13	3	6	0	0	0	4.87	.843		6'5	215
50	Ethan Eskit	'06	49	21	19	5	3	1	3.03	.903		5'11	189

#	Player	POS	YOB	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-	DRAFT	HT	WT
2	Henry Peterson	D	'07	50	4	9	13	25	-15		6'3	205
4	Seth Fryer	D	'06	52	2	5	7	97	-15		6'7	203
5	Timofei Runtso	D	'07	58	10	30	40	24	-3		6'2	185
7	Odin Vauhkonen	D	'08	55	3	16	19	32	-4		6'0	189
8	Layne Schofield	RW	'08	22	3	3	6	0	-2		6'1	180
9	Caleb Matthews	RW	'07	55	8	19	27	35	-7		6'2	177
11	Ludovic Perreault	LW	'09	58	19	13	32	14	-15		5'7	167
12	Cosmo Wilson	D	'05	25	1	4	5	8	-7		6'0	163
14	Cohen Massey	D	'06	20	0	2	2	12	-1		5'11	171
16	Wyatt Danyleyko	C	'07	54	4	7	11	8	-1		6'2	182
17	Nolan Stewart	LW	'08	55	12	30	42	39	-5		5'10	176
19	Hayden Moore	C	'06	57	16	29	45	59	-16		5'11	182
22	Heath Nelson	LW	'06	58	18	14	32	20	-21		6'1	179
23	Ashton Brown	RW	'07	57	12	11	23	26	-10		5'9	178
25	Reggie Newman	RW	'05	48	11	24	35	54	-6		6'2	207
28	Cruz Waltze	LW	'08	39	4	6	10	28	8		5'9	174
47	Owen McCarthy	D	'08	13	0	2	2	9	-4		5'8	166
71	Eli McKamey	RW	'09	42	4	7	11	6	-19		5'10	176
74	Landon Young	D	'06	48	3	13	16	12	-18		5'9	177
89	Miles Cooper	C	'06	40	8	22	30	23	-7		5'11	170
91	Max Silver	RW	'07	10	2	4	6	0	0		6'1	189
93	Roan Woodward	LW	'05	58	30	22	52	18	-16		5'10	175



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## R O S T E R



#	FORWARDS	POS	SH	HT	WT	HOMETOWN	D.O.B	24-25 SEASON	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	ACQUIRED	PRONOUNCE
8	Layne Schofield	RW	R	6'1	182	LaSalle, MB	2008-04-08	RHA Winnipeg U18 Prep	CSSHL U18	36	17	31	48	26	Listed 2024	LANESKO-field
9	Caleb Matthews	RW	R	6'2	178	Calgary, AB	2007-06-04	Victoria Royals	WHL	60	6	10	16	20	Drafted 2022 (Rd 5/91)	
11	Ludovic Perreault	LW	L	5'7	173	Winnipeg, MB	2009-03-20	Winnipeg Wild U18 AAA	MU18HL	44	40	46	86	16	Drafted 2024 (Rd 1/18)	LOOD-oh-vick per-OH
16	Wyatt Danyleyko	C	L	6'2	182	Sooke, BC	2007-07-24	Victoria Royals	WHL	44	2	7	9	0	Drafted 2022 (Rd 6/123)	DAN-eh-LAY-ko
17	Nolan Stewart	LW	L	5'10	176	Edmonton, AB	2008-01-12	Victoria Royals	WHL	61	12	11	23	18	Drafted 2023 (Rd 5/104)	
19	Hayden Moore	C	R	5'11	182	Winnipeg, MB	2006-05-19	Wenatchee Wild/Victoria Royals	WHL	69	12	22	34	27	Trade with WEN	
22	Heath Nelson	LW	L	6'1	179	Lino Lakes, MN	2006-03-22	Cedar Rapids RoughRiders	USHL	61	16	15	31	4	Listed 2025	
23	Ashton Brown	RW	R	5'9	178	Sherwood Park, AB	2007-02-01	Wenatchee Wild/Regina Pats	WHL	60	5	8	13	31	Trade with REG	
25	Reggie Newman	RW	R	6'2	207	Kamloops, BC	2005-06-08	Victoria Royals	WHL	60	13	20	33	89	Drafted 2020 (Rd 4/72)	
28	Cruz Waltze	LW	L	5'9	174	Richland, WA	2008-09-03	Delta Hockey Academy U18 Prep	CSSHL U18	35	23	17	40	40	Drafted 2023 US (Rd 1/2)	Like the dance
71	Eli McKamey	RW	R	5'10	176	Cowichan Bay, BC	2009-01-19	Penticton Vees	BCHL	52	15	16	31	32	Drafted 2024 (Rd 2/35)	Mc-CAME-ee
89	Miles Cooper	C	L	5'11	184	Calgary, AB	2006-08-04	Wenatchee Wild	WHL	66	24	35	59	29	Trade with WEN	
91	Max Silver	RW	R	6'1	189	San Diego, CA	2007-01-13	Victoria Grizzlies/Cranbrook Bucks	BCHL	37	2	3	5	33	Listed 2026	
93	Roan Woodward	LW	L	5'10	175	Nipawin, SK	2005-09-03	Edmonton Oil Kings	WHL	68	22	31	53	39	Trade with EDM	RONEWOOD-Word

#	DEFENSEMAN	POS	SH	HT	WT	HOMETOWN	D.O.B	24-25 SEASON	LEAGUE	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	ACQUIRED	PRONOUNCE
2	Henry Peterson	D	R	6'3	205	Hermantown, MN	2007-02-25	Hermantown High	USHS-MN	27	4	20	24	10	Listed 2025	
4	Seth Fryer	D	R	6'7	203	Victoria, BC	2006-06-23	Victoria Royals	WHL	67	1	12	13	68	Drafted 2021 (Rd 10/206)	
5	Timofei "Timmy" Runtso	D	R	6'2	185	Marina del Rey, CA	2007-07-06	St. Cloud Norsemen	NAHL	53	8	19	27	14	Listed 2025	TIM-uh-fee RUNT-so. Prefers Timmy/Tim
7	Odin Vauhkonen	D	L	6'0	189	Costa Mesa, CA	2008-09-16	Shattuck St. Mary's U16 AAA	16U AAA	51	7	36	43	14	Drafted 2023 US (Rd 2/25)	Oh-din VOW-kuh-nin
12	Cosmo Wilson	D	R	6'0	163	Vernon, BC	2005-01-09	Victoria Royals	WHL	63	7	21	28	26	Trade with MJ	CAUSE-MOW
14	Cohen Massey	D	L	5'11	171	Cloverdale, BC	2006-07-08	Whitecourt Wolves	AJHL	18	0	3	3	12	Listed 2025	Mass-EE
47	Owen McCarthy	D	L	5'8	166	Chicago, IL	2008-02-20	Trail Smoke Eaters	BCHL	40	0	3	3	25	Drafted 2023 (Rd 4/69)	
74	Landon Young	D	L	5'9	177	Edmonton, AB	2006-04-27	Wenatchee Wild/Victoria Royals	WHL	49	0	8	8	10	Listed 2024	

#	GOALIES	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN	D.O.B	24-25 SEASON	LEAGUE	GP	SV%	GAA	WLT	ACQUIRED	PRONOUNCE	
1	Jake Pilon	G	L	6'5	215	Calgary, AB	2006-10-12	Kelowna Rockets	WHL	38	0.883	4.05	9-18-5	Trade with KEL	PEE-lawn
50	Ethan Eskit	G	L	5'11	192	Calgary, AB	2006-01-07	Brandon Wheat Kings	WHL	25	0.906	2.85	12-6-4	Trade with BDN	ESS-kit

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