



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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Victoria Royals 25-25-5-3

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

ROYALS HOCKEY STAFF

Vice President, Hockey Operations	Joey Poljanowski
General Manager	Jake Heisinger
Director, Scouting & Hockey Operations	Brayden Beckley
Head Coach	James Patrick
Assistant Coach	Don MacGillivray
Head Athletic Therapist	Colin Wright
Head Equipment Manager	Sam Jarrin
Head Strength, Conditioning, and Rehabilitation Coach	JT Ward



Portland Winterhawks 27-25-5-1

GOALTENDERS

# Player	YOB	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	SO	GAA	SV%	Draft	HT	WT
1 Ondrej Stebetak	'07	40	20	16	3	1	1	3.40	.899		6'1	165
32 Cruz Chase	'07	17	5	7	2	0	1	3.92	.880		6'0	180

# Player	POS	YOB	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-	DRAFT	HT	WT
3 Cameron Jacobson	D	'08	28	0	2	2	15	-8		5'10	161
8 Carter Matthews	D	'06	8	0	0	0	2	-2		6'1	185
9 Jordan Duguay	C	'08	58	19	36	55	34	6		5'11	175
12 Cole Slobodian	D	'06	57	1	15	16	34	3		6'2	191
14 Ben Miller	RW	'06	34	2	1	3	20	-2		6'2	194
15 Sam Spehar	RW	'07	58	10	22	32	10	-9		5'8	176
17 Carsyn Dyck	LW	'06	28	6	7	13	23	3		5'9	173
18 Kyle McDonough	C	'07	52	6	22	28	74	1		5'9	167
20 Luke Christopherson	D	'09	29	1	1	2	0	2		6'0	181
22 Griffin Darby	D	'08	47	2	11	13	29	-14		6'0	176
23 Ryan Miller	LW	'07	55	23	37	60	68	3	PIT (2025)	6'0	181
24 Will McLaughlin	D	'08	58	8	19	27	12	12		6'2	168
27 Jake Gustafson	C	'08	58	13	12	25	49	-3		6'4	182
28 Nathan Brown	C	'06	46	13	19	32	85	7		6'0	166
46 Finn Spehar	RW	'09	35	2	6	8	8	-6		5'8	167
47 Niko Tsakumis	D	'05	38	0	8	8	18	5		6'0	186
72 Reed Brown	LW	'08	52	15	12	27	32	-8		5'11	170
77 Max Psenicka	D	'07	43	6	15	21	59	2	UTA (2025)	6'4	178
86 Nathan Free	C	'06	58	26	19	45	44	-24		5'10	164
88 Alex Weiermair	RW	'05	56	31	42	73	28	2	VGK (2025)	6'1	207
92 Alessandro Domenichelli	RW	'09	32	0	5	5	12	-10		5'9	183
96 Luke Wilfley	C	'08	56	8	6	14	43	-11		6'1	179

WINTERHAWKS HOCKEY STAFF

President/General Manager	Mike Johnston
Head Coach	Kyle Gustafson
Assistant Coach	Mike Fanelli
Assistant Coach	Sven Bartschi
Goaltending Coach	Travis Hoy
Assistant General Manager	Greg Sampson
Director, Player Personnel	Matt Davidson
Head Athletic Trainer/Strength & Conditioning Coach	Rich Campbell
Head Equipment Manager	Ryan Scheer

OFFICIALS

Referees	Brad Ford (40), Ward Pateman (42)
Linespersons	Jack McNabb (144), Ryan Sirk (173)
Video Goal Judge	Steve Moir