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## COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach:** Phil Housley  
**Associate Coach:** Davis Payne  
**Assistant Coach:** Chris Hajt  
**Assistant Coach:** Tom Ward  
**Goaltending Coach:** Andrew Allen

## PRONUNCIATIONS

**Antipin, Victor:** (an-TEE-pihn)  
**Beaulieu, Nathan:** (BOH-l'yew)  
**Bogosian, Zach:** (buh-GOH-zhuhn)  
**Girgensons, Zemgus:** (GEER-geh-n-suhn, ZEHM-guhz)  
**Gorges, Josh:** (JOHR-juhzh)  
**Josefson, Jacob:** (JOH-sehf-suhn, JAY-kuhuh)  
**Lehner, Robin:** (LEH-nuhr)  
**Okposo, Kyle:** (oh-POH-soh)  
**Pouliot, Benoit:** (POO-lee-ah, BEHN-wah)  
**Ristolainen, Rasmus:** (rihs-toh-LIGH-neh, RAS-muhs)  
**Rodrigues, Evan:** (rahd-REE-gehzh)  
**Scandella, Marco:** (skan-DEHL-uh)

## LEADING SCORERS

**Jack Eichel:**  
38 GP, 15 G, 20 A, 35 PTS  
**Evander Kane:**  
38 GP, 15 G, 19 A, 34 PTS  
**Ryan O'Reilly:**  
37 GP, 9 G, 15 A, 24 PTS

## LEADING SCORERS VS. NYR

**Kyle Okposo:**  
40 GP, 9 G, 14 A, 23 PTS  
**Jason Pominville:**  
36 GP, 10 G, 10 A, 20 PTS  
**Evander Kane:**  
19 GP, 7 G, 5 A, 12 PTS

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1/25/16: BUF 3 at **NYR 6**  
3/14/15: **NYR 2** at BUF 0  
2/20/15: **NYR 3** at BUF 1  
1/3/15: BUF 1 at **NYR 6**  
4/10/14: BUF 1 at **NYR 2**

## FORWARDS

### 28 ZEMGUS GIRGENSONS

6'2", 207 lbs. • Riga, Latvia  
**2017-18:**  
33 GP, 3 G, 4 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
310 GP, 40 G, 53 A, 93 PTS, 87 PIM

### 15 JACK EICHEL

6'2", 206 lbs. • N. Chelmsford, Mass.  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 15 G, 20 A, 35 PTS, 26 PIM  
**Career:**  
180 GP, 63 G, 85 A, 148 PTS, 70 PIM

### 23 SAM REINHART

6'1", 192 lbs. • West Vancouver, B.C.  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP 5 G, 6 A, 11 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
205 GP, 45 G, 56 A, 101 PTS, 28 PIM

### 9 EVANDER KANE

6'2", 212 lbs. • Vancouver, B.C.  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 15 G, 19 A, 34 PTS, 30 PIM  
**Career:**  
534 GP, 172 G, 162 A, 334 PTS, 619 PIM

### 90 RYAN O'REILLY

6'1", 216 lbs. • Clinton, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
37 GP, 9 G, 15 A, 24 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
607 GP, 140 G, 245 A, 385 PTS, 84 PIM

### 21 KYLE OKPOSO

6'0", 220 lbs. • St. Paul, Minnesota  
**2017-18:**  
36 GP, 6 G, 11 A, 17 PTS, 20 PIM  
**Career:**  
630 GP, 164 G, 267 A, 431 PTS, 354 PIM

### 67 BENOIT POULIOT

6'3", 200 lbs. • Alfred, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 8 G, 3 A, 11 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
589 GP, 125 G, 130 A, 255 PTS, 359 PIM

### 71 EVAN RODRIGUES

5'11", 182 lbs. • Toronto, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
10 GP, 2 G, 1 A, 3 PTS, 8 PIM  
**Career:**  
42 GP, 7 G, 4 A, 11 PTS, 12 PIM

### 29 JASON POMINVILLE

6'0", 180 lbs. • Repentigny, Quebec  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 8 G, 8 A, 16 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
943 GP, 269 G, 409 A, 678 PTS, 191 PIM

### 22 JOHAN LARSSON

5'11", 198 lbs. • Lau, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 1 G, 5 A, 6 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
216 GP, 23 G, 31 A, 54 PTS, 88 PIM

### 10 JACOB JOSEFSON

6'0", 196 lbs. • Stockholm, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
14 GP, 2 G, 1 A, 3 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
290 GP, 20 G, 43 A, 63 PTS, 78 PIM

### 17 JORDAN NOLAN

6'3", 219 lbs. • First Nations, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
34 GP, 2 G, 3 A, 5 PTS, 19 PIM  
**Career:**  
326 GP, 22 G, 25 A, 47 PTS, 283 PIM

## DEFENSEMEN

### 6 MARCO SCANDELLA

6'3", 208 lbs. • Montreal, Quebec  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 0 G, 10 A, 10 PTS, 18 PIM  
**Career:**  
411 GP, 27 G, 72 A, 99 PTS, 166 PIM

### 55 RASMUS RISTOLAINEN

6'4", 218 lbs. • Turku, Finland  
**2017-18:**  
29 GP, 1 G, 10 A, 11 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
302 GP, 26 G, 95 A, 121 PTS, 133 PIM

### 19 JAKE MCCABE

6'1", 210 lbs. • Eau Claire, Wisconsin  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 2 G, 8 A, 10 PTS, 15 PIM  
**Career:**  
200 GP, 9 G, 36 A, 45 PTS, 107 PIM

### 47 ZACH BOGOSIAN

6'3", 221 lbs. • Massena, New York  
**2017-18:**  
13 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
547 GP, 49 G, 120 A, 169 PTS, 493 PIM

### 4 JOSH GORGES

6'1", 204 lbs. • Kelowna, B.C.  
**2017-18:**  
17 GP, 0 G, 2 A, 2 PTS, 11 PIM  
**Career:**  
766 GP, 17 G, 107 A, 124 PTS, 398 PIM

### 82 NATHAN BEAULIEU

6'2", 200 lbs. • Strathroy, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
26 GP, 1 G, 3 A, 4 PTS, 17 PIM  
**Career:**  
251 GP, 8 G, 56 A, 64 PTS, 169 PIM

## GOALTENDERS

### 40 ROBIN LEHNER

6'4", 245 lbs. • Gothenburg, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
29 GP, 9-14-5, .915 SV%, 2.74 GAA  
**Career:**  
195 GP, 67-85-31, .917 SV%, 2.76 GAA  
**vs. NYR:**  
5 GP, 2-2-1, .915 SV%, 3.27 GAA

### 31 CHAD JOHNSON

6'3", 197 lbs. • Saskatoon, Sask.  
**2017-18:**  
13 GP, 1-6-3, .881 SV%, 3.78 GAA  
**Career:**  
150 GP, 69-51-15, .912 SV%, 2.55 GAA  
**vs. NYR:**  
3 GP, 1-1-0, .899 SV%, 3.18 GAA

## SCRATCHES

### 20 SCOTT WILSON

5'11", 210 lbs. • Oakville, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
28 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
131 GP, 13 G, 20 A, 33 PTS, 44 PIM

### 41 JUSTIN FALK

6'5", 223 lbs. • Snowflake, Manitoba  
**2017-18:**  
19 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 8 PIM  
**Career:**  
242 GP, 2 G, 29 A, 31 PTS, 188 PIM

### 93 VICTOR ANTIPIIN

5'11", 175 lbs. • Ust-Kamenogorsk, Kaz.  
**2017-18:**  
24 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 12 PIM  
**Career:**  
24 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 12 PIM

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**Assistant Coach:** Darryl Williams  
**Goaltending Coach:** Benoit Allaire

## PRONUNCIATIONS

**Buchnevich, Pavel:**  
(buhtch-NYAY-vihch, PAH-vehl)  
**Desharnais, David:** (day-hahr-NAY)  
**Fast, Jesper:** (FAHST, YEHS-puhr)  
**Kreider, Chris:** (KRIGH-duhr)  
**Lettieri, Vinni:** (luh-TAYR-ee)  
**Lundqvist, Henrik:** (LUHND-kvihst)  
**McDonagh, Ryan:** (muhk-DUHN-uh)  
**Nieves, Boo:** (noo-EH-vehz)  
**Pavelec, Ondrej:**  
(pah-vah-LEHK, AWN-dray)  
**Skjei, Brady:** (SHAY)  
**Staal, Marc:** (STAHL)  
**Zibanejad, Mika:**  
(zih-BAN-ih-jad, MEEKA)  
**Zuccarello, Mats:** (zoo-ka-REHL-oh)

## LEADING SCORERS

**Mats Zuccarello:**  
38 GP, 8 G, 21 A, 29 PTS  
**Pavel Buchnevich:**  
38 GP, 11 G, 14 A, 25 PTS  
**J.T. Miller:**  
38 GP, 7 G, 18 A, 25 PTS

## LEADING SCORERS VS. BUF

**David Desharnais:**  
27 GP, 7 G, 14 A, 21 PTS  
**Rick Nash:**  
21 GP, 13 G, 6 A, 19 PTS  
**Michael Grabner:**  
19 GP, 9 G, 4 A, 13 PTS

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## FORWARDS

### 61 RICK NASH

6'4", 211 lbs. • Brampton, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 9 G, 8 A, 17 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
1,027 GP, 425 G, 363 A, 788 PTS, 738 PIM

### 93 MIKA ZIBANEJAD

6'2", 227 lbs. • Huddinge, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
29 GP, 11 G, 11 A, 22 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
366 GP, 89 G, 121 A, 210 PTS, 82 PIM

### 36 MATS ZUCCARELLO

5'8", 179 lbs. • Oslo, Norway  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 8 G, 21 A, 29 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
421 GP, 94 G, 197 A, 291 PTS, 171 PIM

### 40 MICHAEL GRABNER

6'1", 188 lbs. • Villach, Austria  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 17 G, 3 A, 20 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
511 GP, 148 G, 85 A, 233 PTS, 90 PIM

### 13 KEVIN HAYES

6'5", 217 lbs. • Dorchester, Massachusetts  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 9 G, 7 A, 16 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
272 GP, 57 G, 89 A, 146 PTS, 76 PIM

### 10 J.T. MILLER

6'1", 218 lbs. • East Palestine, Ohio  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 7 G, 18 A, 25 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
316 GP, 66 G, 91 A, 157 PTS, 132 PIM

### 26 JIMMY VESEY

6'3", 206 lbs. • Boston, Massachusetts  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 8 G, 7 A, 15 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
118 GP, 24 G, 18 A, 42 PTS, 30 PIM

### 51 DAVID DESHARNAIS

5'7", 180 lbs. • Laurier-Station, Quebec  
**2017-18:**  
35 GP, 4 G, 15 A, 19 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
488 GP, 85 G, 188 A, 273 PTS, 156 PIM

### 89 PAVEL BUCHNEVICH

6'2", 191 lbs. • Cherepovets, Russia  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 11 G, 14 A, 25 PTS, 8 PIM  
**Career:**  
79 GP, 19 G, 26 A, 45 PTS, 21 PIM

### 28 PAUL CAREY

6'1", 200 lbs. • Boston, Massachusetts  
**2017-18:**  
26 GP, 4 G, 4 A, 8 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
58 GP, 5 G, 5 A, 10 PTS, 10 PIM

### 24 BOO NIEVES

6'3", 212 lbs. • Syracuse, New York  
**2017-18:**  
22 GP, 1 G, 6 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
23 GP, 1 G, 6 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM

### 95 VINNI LETTIERI

5'11", 195 lbs. • Excelsior, Minnesota  
**2017-18:**  
1 GP, 1 G, 0 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
1 GP, 1 G, 0 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM

## DEFENSEMEN

### 27 RYAN McDONAGH

6'1", 215 lbs. • St. Paul, Minnesota  
**2017-18:**  
34 GP, 0 G, 18 A, 18 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
501 GP, 49 G, 181 A, 230 PTS, 217 PIM

### 55 NICK HOLDEN

6'4", 214 lbs. • St. Albert, Alberta  
**2017-18:**  
33 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
334 GP, 34 G, 68 A, 102 PTS, 113 PIM

### 30 HENRIK LUNDQVIST

6'1", 180 lbs. • Are, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
32 GP, 17-9-4, .922 SV%, 2.58 GAA  
**Career:**  
774 GP, 422-258-80, .920 SV%, 2.33 GAA  
**vs. BUF:**  
33 GP, 18-12-2, .918 SV%, 2.36 GAA

### 18 MARC STAAL

6'4", 209 lbs. • Thunder Bay, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 1 G, 5 A, 6 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
727 GP, 38 G, 124 A, 162 PTS, 372 PIM

### 76 BRADY SKJEI

6'3", 211 lbs. • Lakeville, Minnesota  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 2 G, 11 A, 13 PTS, 12 PIM  
**Career:**  
125 GP, 7 G, 45 A, 52 PTS, 58 PIM

### 42 BRENDAN SMITH

6'2", 211 lbs. • Mimico, Ontario  
**2017-18:**  
30 GP, 0 G, 7 A, 7 PTS, 41 PIM  
**Career:**  
339 GP, 16 G, 62 A, 78 PTS, 351 PIM

### 22 KEVIN SHATTENKIRK

6'0", 200 lbs. • New Rochelle, N.Y.  
**2017-18:**  
38 GP, 5 G, 17 A, 22 PTS, 40 PIM  
**Career:**  
528 GP, 73 G, 247 A, 320 PTS, 344 PIM

## SCRATCHES

### 17 JESPER FAST

6'0", 191 lbs. • Nassjo, Sweden  
**2017-18:**  
30 GP, 7 G, 9 A, 16 PTS, 12 PIM  
**Career:**  
246 GP, 29 G, 52 A, 81 PTS, 56 PIM

### 20 CHRIS KREIDER

6'3", 224 lbs. • Boxford, Massachusetts  
**2017-18:**  
37 GP, 11 G, 11 A, 22 PTS, 29 PIM  
**Career:**  
360 GP, 100 G, 104 A, 204 PTS, 311 PIM

### 47 STEVEN KAMPFER

5'11", 195 lbs. • Ann Arbor, Michigan  
**2017-18:**  
13 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 16 PIM  
**Career:**  
157 GP, 10 G, 16 A, 26 PTS, 78 PIM

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