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TEAM INFORMATION

The Ottawa Black Bears originated as the New York Riptide and were awarded an NLL expansion franchise that debuted in the 2019–20 NLL season. The Riptide moved to Ottawa for the 2024–25 season and started play at Canadian Tire Centre, the home of the NHL’s Ottawa Senators, in December 2024. The Black Bears are owned and operated by GF Sports and Entertainment, who are commercial partners with Senators Sports & Entertainment.

CANADIAN TIRE CENTRE

The Canadian Tire Centre plays host to all Black Bears home games and is located at 1000 Palladium Drive Ottawa, Ontario K2V 1A4. It is a multi-purpose arena located in Kanata, about 22 kilometres west of Downtown Ottawa. It opened in 1996 as the Palladium and has also been previously known as Corel Centre and Scotiabank Place. It offers a capacity of 7,084 for lacrosse.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA

Andrew Wilimek is the Black Bears’ communications contact. He can be reached at media@ottawablackbears.com. The Black Bears will send out game notes 48 hours in advance of games (the morning of games if the team plays for the second time in the same weekend). If you wish to request single-game or season-long credentials to attend games, please inquire at least 48 hours in advance of a game.

LEAGUE BROADCAST INFORMATION

The Ottawa Black Bears will have five of their 18 regular season games air nationally across the TSN network during the 2025–26 campaign. The broadcasts are part of the “NLL Friday Night on TSN” slate, giving fans across Canada the chance to watch some of the league’s top matchups live on TSN’s family of networks. NLL on TSN broadcasts featuring the Black Bears include Friday, Dec. 12, Friday, Jan. 9, Friday, Jan. 16, Friday, Jan. 23, and Friday, Apr. 10. Every other Black Bears game can be streamed on NLL+ (plus.nll.com), the league’s free streaming service catering to Canadian fans. In the U.S., games can be streamed on ESPN+.



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OTTAWA BLACK BEARS ROSTER

#	FIRST	LAST	POS.	SHT.	HT.	WT.	DOB.	HOMETOWN
2	Luc	Magnan	Defence	R	6'0"	225	05/30/1992	Pine Falls, MB
3	Jake	McNabb	Forward	R	5'11"		03/28/1998	Owen Sound, ON
7	Nicholas	Volkov	Defence	L	6'2"	235	07/02/2003	Milton, ON
8	Kevin	Brownell	Defence	R	6'0"	180	08/16/1988	Millgrove, ON
9	Reilly	O'Connor	Forward	L	6'1"	175	05/20/1993	Whitby, ON
10	Rob	Hellyer	Forward	R	5'8"	180	06/28/1992	Lions Head, ON
11	Callum	Jones	Defence	R	6'0"	165	07/01/1998	Burlington, ON
12	Travis	Longboat	Forward	R	5'9"	155	05/04/1998	Ohswéken, ON
13	Liam	Aston	Forward	R	6'2"	190	05/11/2004	Ottawa, ON
14	Jake	Stevens	Transition	R	5'9"	193	06/02/1999	Puslinch, ON
15	Brent	Noseworthy	Defence	L	6'4"	220	02/06/1996	Toronto, ON
16	Vaughn	Harris	Forward	R	5'11"	195	09/20/1992	Six Nations, ON
19	Sam	Firth	Forward	L	6'0"	200	07/25/1999	Ottawa, ON
20	Jake	Saunders	Defence	L	6'3"	187	12/27/1999	Oakville, ON
22	Sam	La Roue	Defence	R	6'3"	195	06/03/2002	South Surrey, B.C.
23	Cole	Begley	Defence	L	6'1"	180	04/26/2003	Toronto, ON
25	Jacob	Dunbar	Forward	R	5'11"	180	01/04/2001	Surrey, B.C.
30	Tyler	Carlson	Goalie	L	6'1"	220	04/29/1988	Brampton, ON
31	Zach	Higgins	Goalie	L	6'1"	225	12/30/1990	Courtice, ON
42	Trent	Robertson	Defence	R	6'4"	225	05/13/2004	Clarington, ON
44	Matt	Marinier	Defence	L	6'6"	225	09/16/1998	Burlington, ON
46	Laine	Hruska	Goalie	R	6'1"	220	05/22/2001	Warman, SK.
51	Jeff	Teat	Forward	L	5'10"	170	04/30/1997	Brampton, ON
58	Andrew	Borgatti	Defence	R	6'0"	175	01/27/1999	Brampton, ON
68	Larson	Sundown	Forward	L	6'1"	195	03/13/1997	Basom, N.Y.
75	Jay	Thorimbert	Defence	R	6'0"	200	07/06/1986	Whitby, ON
77	Reed	Kurtz	Defence	L	5'10"	200	03/05/2001	Puslinch, ON
92	Connor	Kearnan	Forward	R	5'8"	180	08/02/1996	Courtice, ON



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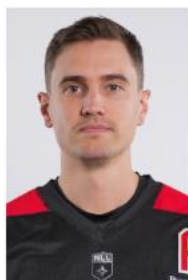
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MAGNAN**



**#3 JAKE
MCNABB**



**#7 NICHOLAS
VOLKOV**



**#8 KEVIN
BROWNELL**



**#9 REILLY
O'CONNOR**



**#10 ROB
HELLYER**



**#11 CALLUM
JONES**



**#12 TRAVIS
LONGBOAT**



**#13 LIAM
ASTON**



**#14 JAKE
STEVENS**



**#15 BRENT
NOSEWORTHY**



**#16 VAUGHN
HARRIS**



**#19 SAM
FIRTH**



**#20 JAKE
SAUNDERS**



**#22 SAM
LA ROUE**



**#23 COLE
BEGLEY**



**#25 JACOB
DUNBAR**



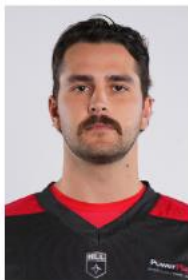
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HIGGINS**



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**#46 LAINE
HRUSKA**



**#51 JEFF
TEAT**



**#58 ANDREW
BORGATTI**



**#68 LARSON
SUNDOWN**



**#75 JAY
THORIMBERT**



**#77 REED
KURTZ**



**#92 CONNOR
KEARNAN**



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DAN MACRAE
HEAD COACH
GENERAL MANAGER



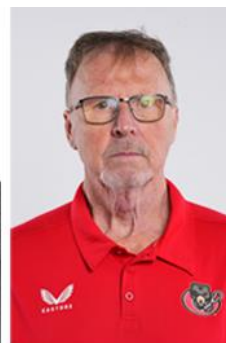
BRIAN BEISEL
DEFENSIVE
COORDINATOR



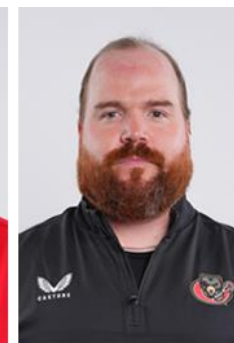
DYLAN EVANS
OFFENSIVE
ASSISTANT COACH



BENNETT DRAKE
VIDEO COACH



KEN GILLIES
ASSISTANT
GENERAL MANAGER



SEAN GILLIES
DIRECTOR
OF SCOUTING



NICK MAY
EQUIPMENT MANAGER



DR. MJ KLETT
TEAM
MEDICAL DOCTOR



KIRSTEN KIDD
HEAD
ATHLETIC THERAPIST



DR. JOSH KELLY
CHIROPRACTOR



ADAM BOURNE
MASSAGE THERAPIST

ALL TIME RECORD

SEASON	TEAM	W-L	FINISH	HOME	ROAD	GF	GA	PLAYOFFS
2019-20	Riptide	1-12	13th	1-5	0-7	116	177	N/A
2020-21	Riptide	Season cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic						
2021-22	Riptide	6-12	11th	3-6	3-6	214	226	N/A
2022-23	Riptide	5-13	12th	3-6	2-7	201	243	N/A
2023-24	Riptide	8-10	9th	4-5	4-5	206	234	N/A
2024-25	Black Bears	8-10	9th	4-5	4-5	183	202	N/A

HEAD COACHING RECORD

#	NAME	FROM	TO	GC	W	L	W%	PLAYOFFS
1	Regy Thorpe	2020	2020	13	1	12	.077	N/A
2	Dan Ladouceur	2021	2025	54	19	35	.312	N/A
3	Dan MacRae	2025	-	-	-	-	-	-



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FRANCHISE AWARD WINNERS

YEAR	PLAYER	AWARD	GP	G	A	P
2019–20	Tyson Gibson	Rookie of the Year	12	16	27	43
2021–22	Jeff Teat	Rookie of the Year	16	37	71	108

FRANCHISE GAMES PLAYED LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	GAMES PLAYED
T-1	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	71
T-1	Larson Sundown	2021–22	CURRENT	71
3	Jeff Teat	2021–22	CURRENT	70
4	Jay Thorimbert	2021–22	CURRENT	69
5	Matt Marinier	2021–22	CURRENT	66
6	Andrew Borgatti	2021–22	CURRENT	65
7	Brent Noseworthy	2021–22	CURRENT	58
8	Kevin Brownell	2022–23	CURRENT	50
9	Ron John	2021–22	2024–25	49
10	Damon Edwards	2021–22	2023–24	48
11	Reilly O'Connor	2022–23	CURRENT	47

FRANCHISE POINTS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	POINTS
1	Jeff Teat	2021–22	CURRENT	486
2	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	281
3	Reilly O'Connor	2022–23	CURRENT	178
4	Larson Sundown	2021–22	CURRENT	173
5	Callum Crawford	2021–22	2022–23	98
6	Kiel Matisz	2023–24	2024–25	95
7	Tyler Digby	2019–20	2023–24	82
8	Dan Lomas	2019–20	2023–24	76
9	Kieran McArdle	2019–20	2022–23	72
10	Tyson Gibson	2019–20	2022–23	71



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FRANCHISE GOALS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	GOALS
1	Jeff Teat	2021–22	CURRENT	207
2	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	110
3	Lars Sundown	2021–22	CURRENT	88
4	Reilly O'Connor	2022–23	CURRENT	53
5	Callum Crawford	2021–22	2022–23	45
6	Dan Lomas	2019–20	2023–24	44
7	Tyler Digby	2019–20	2023–24	33
8	Kiel Matisz	2023–24	2024–25	25
T-9	Kieran McArdle	2019–20	2022–23	24
T-9	Tyson Gibson	2019–20	2022–23	24
11	Jacob Dunbar	2024–25	CURRENT	23

FRANCHISE ASSISTS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	ASSISTS
1	Jeff Teat	2021–22	CURRENT	279
2	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	171
3	Reilly O'Connor	2022–23	CURRENT	125
4	Lars Sundown	2021–22	CURRENT	85
5	Kiel Matisz	2023–24	2024–25	70
6	Callum Crawford	2021–22	2022–23	53
7	Tyler Digby	2019–20	2023–24	49
8	Dan Lomas	2019–20	2023–24	44

FRANCHISE LOOSE BALLS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	LOOSE BALLS
1	Jeff Teat	2021–22	CURRENT	434
2	Jay Thorimbert	2021–22	CURRENT	404
3	Brent Noseworthy	2021–22	CURRENT	339
4	Matt Marinier	2021–22	CURRENT	298
5	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	255
6	Kevin Brownell	2022–23	CURRENT	241
6	Ron John	2021–22	2024–25	221
7	Scott Dominey	2021–22	2022–23	219
8	Reilly O'Connor	2022–23	CURRENT	173
T-9	Andrew Borgatti	2021–22	CURRENT	158
T-9	Callum Jones	2023–24	CURRENT	158



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FRANCHISE PENALTY MINUTES LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	PIM
1	Brent Noseworthy	2021–22	CURRENT	143
2	Matt Marinier	2021–22	CURRENT	86
3	Damon Edwards	2021–22	2023-24	80
4	Callum Jones	2023-24	CURRENT	71
5	Lars Sundown	2021–22	CURRENT	48
6	Connor Kearnan	2021–22	CURRENT	46
7	Dan MacRae	2019-20	2022-23	34

FRANCHISE CAUSED TURNOVER LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	CTO
1	Matt Marinier	2021–22	CURRENT	55
2	Ron John	2021-22	2024-25	50
3	Kevin Brownell	2022-23	CURRENT	42
4	Damon Edwards	2021–22	2023-24	41
5	Scott Dominey	2021-22	2022-23	38
6	Callum Jones	2023-24	CURRENT	37

FRANCHISE FACEOFF WINS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	FACEOFF WINS
1	Jay Thorimbert	2021–22	CURRENT	898
2	Alex Woodall	2019-20	2019-20	176

FRANCHISE BLOCKED SHOTS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	BLOCKED SHOTS
1	Matt Marinier	2021–22	CURRENT	70
2	Brent Noseworthy	2021–22	CURRENT	45
3	Damon Edwards	2021–22	2023-24	43
4	Kevin Brownell	2022-23	CURRENT	40
5	Jay Thorimbert	2021–22	CURRENT	23
6	Callum Jones	2023-24	CURRENT	16



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FRANCHISE GOALIE WINS LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	WINS
1	Cameron Dunkerley	2022-23	2024-25	10
2	Steven Orleman	2021-22	2022-23	9
3	Zach Higgins	2024-25	CURRENT	8

FRANCHISE SAVES LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	SAVES
1	Steven Orleman	2021-22	2022-23	1142
2	Cameron Dunkerley	2022-23	2024-25	905
3	Zach Higgins	2024-25	CURRENT	731

FRANCHISE SAVE PERCENTAGE LEADERS

RANK	NAME	FROM	TO	SV%
1	Zach Higgins	2024-25	CURRENT	.790
1	Steven Orleman	2021-22	2022-23	.767
2	Cameron Dunkerley	2022-23	2024-25	.757



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SINGLE SEASON POINTS LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	PTS
1	Jeff Teat	2022-23	136
2	Jeff Teat	2023-24	130
3	Jeff Teat	2024-25	112

SINGLE SEASON PIM LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	PIM
1	Brent Noseworthy	2024-25	59
2	Damon Edwards	2022-23	48
3	Brent Noseworthy	2021-22	42

SINGLE SEASON GOALS LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	PTS
1	Jeff Teat	2023-24	58
T-2	Jeff Teat	2022-23	56
T-2	Jeff Teat	2024-25	56

SINGLE SEASON SAVE % LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	%
1	Zach Higgins	2024-25	.790
2	Cameron Dunkerley	2022-23	.774
3	Steven Orleman	2021-22	.767

SINGLE SEASON ASSISTS LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	A
1	Jeff Teat	2022-23	80
2	Jeff Teat	2023-24	72
3	Jeff Teat	2021-22	71

SINGLE SEASON SAVES LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	SVS
1	Zach Higgins	2024-25	731
2	Cameron Dunkerley	2023-24	674
3	Steven Orleman	2022-23	486

SINGLE SEASON LOOSE BALL LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	PTS
1	Brent Noseworthy	2023-24	124
2	Scott Dominey	2021-22	120
3	Brent Noseworthy	2024-25	117
4	Andrew Sutor	2019-20	114

SINGLE SEASON WINS LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	W
1	Zach Higgins	2024-25	8
2	Cameron Dunkerley	2023-24	8
3	Steven Orleman	2021-22	6

SINGLE SEASON FACEOFF LEADERS

RK	NAME	SEASON	PTS
1	Jay Thorimbert	2023-24	257
2	Jay Thorimbert	2021-22	234
3	Jay Thorimbert	2024-25	224



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SINGLE GAME POINTS LEADERS

POINTS	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
13	Jeff Teat	Mar. 23, 2024	Saskatchewan	14-11 W (Home)
12	Jeff Teat	Jan. 30, 2022	Buffalo	18-17 L (Home)
12	Jeff Teat	Feb. 4, 2023	Toronto	22-14 L (Home)
12	Jeff Teat	Jan. 21, 2023	Albany	16-10 W (Away)
11	Callum Crawford	Jan. 30, 2022	Buffalo	18-17 L (Home)

SINGLE GAME GOALS LEADERS

GOALS	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
8	Jeff Teat	Apr. 12, 2025	Las Vegas	13-10 W (Home)
7	Jeff Teat	Feb. 11, 2023	Albany	14-12 W (Home)
7	Jeff Teat	Jan. 21, 2023	Albany	16-10 W (Away)
6	Larson Sundown	Mar. 9, 2024	Las Vegas	13-11 W (Home)
6	Dan Lomas	Feb. 29, 2020	Rochester	13-12 L (Away)
5	Connor Kearnan	Jan. 15, 2022	Panther City	13-12 L (Home)
5	Callum Crawford	Apr. 23, 2022	Halifax	16-13 L (Home)
5	Callum Crawford	Mar. 12, 2022	Rochester	15-12 W (Away)

SINGLE GAME ASSIST LEADERS

ASSISTS	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
9	Jeff Teat	Mar. 23, 2024	Saskatchewan	14-11 W (Home)
9	Jeff Teat	Jan. 30, 2022	Buffalo	18-17 L (Home)
8	Reilly O'Connor	Feb. 4, 2023	Toronto	22-14 L (Home)
8	Callum Crawford	Jan. 30, 2022	Buffalo	18-17 L (Home)



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SINGLE GAME LOOSE BALL LEADERS

LB	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
18	Andrew Sutor	Feb. 15, 2020	Georgia	14-9 L (Away)
16	Jay Thorimbert	Jan. 7, 2024	Philadelphia	16-9 W (Away)
15	Jay Thorimbert	Jan. 4, 2025	San Diego	6-5 L (Away)
15	Andrew Sutor	Dec. 7, 2019	Halifax	12-4 L (Away)

SINGLE GAME PENALTY MINUTES LEADERS

PIM	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
24	Larson Sundown	Mar. 4, 2023	Philadelphia	19-12 L (Away)
22	Callum Jones	Dec. 16, 2023	Halifax	14-6 L (Home)
22	Damon Edwards	Mar. 4, 2023	Philadelphia	19-12 L (Away)
19	Brent Noseworthy	Feb. 15, 2025	Albany	18-9 W (Away)
18	Dan MacRae	Dec. 12, 2021	Georgia	14-10 L (Home)
17	Brent Noseworthy	Mar. 4, 2023	Philadelphia	19-12 L (Away)

SINGLE GAME SAVES LEADERS

SAVES	NAME	DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT (LOCATION)
58/75	Zach Higgins	Mar. 21, 2025	Halifax	17-16 L (Away)
57/65	Steven Orleman	Feb. 11, 2023	Vancouver	16-8 W (Away)
56/68	Steven Orleman	Jan. 23, 2022	Philadelphia	13-12 W (Away)
53/64	Steven Orleman	Feb. 25, 2023	Rochester	11-10 L (Away)
52/60	Cameron Dunkerley	Feb. 10, 2024	San Diego	10-8 W (Home)



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TEAM RECORDS

RECORD	VALUE	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
Max goals	18	Feb 15, 2025	Albany	18-9 W (Away)
Max goals (loss)	17	Jan 30, 2022	Buffalo	18-17 L (Home)
Min goals	4	Jan 24, 2025	Vancouver	8-4 L (Away)
	4	Dec 7, 2019	Halifax	12-4 L (Away)
	4	Dec 28, 2019	Saskatchewan	11-4 L (Home)
Min goals (win)	9	Jan 17, 2025	Vancouver	9-8 W (Home)
Max allowed	22	Feb 4, 2023	Toronto	22-14 L (Away)
Max allowed (win)	13	Feb 26, 2022	Toronto	14-13 W (Home)
	13	Jan 19, 2024	Buffalo	15-13 W (Away)
Min allowed	5	Nov 29, 2024	Toronto	11-5 W (Home)
	5	Mar 28, 2025	Philadelphia	13-5 W (Away)
Min allowed (loss)	6	Jan 4, 2025	San Diego	6-5 L (Away)
Goal differential	9	Feb 15, 2025	Albany	18-9 W (Away)
Goal differential	9	Mar 26, 2022	Albany	15-6 W (Home)
Goal differential (loss)	11	Dec 13, 2024	Buffalo	18-7 L (Home)
Highest LBs	191	Feb 28, 2020	New England	12-8 L (Home)
Lowest LBs	113	Mar 9, 2024	Las Vegas	13-11 W (Home)
Highest attendance	6995	Nov 29, 2024	Toront	11-5 W (Home)
Lowest attendance	4745	Mar 23, 2025	Colorado	14-9 W (Home)
Highest PIM	98	Mar 4, 2023	Philadelphia	19-12 L (Away)
Lowest PIM	4	Jan 27, 2024	Georgia	14-11 W (Home)
	4	Mar 16, 2024	Saskatchewan	17-15 L (Away)
Highest CTOs	30	Dec 30, 2023	Toronto	14-8 L (Away)
Lowest CTOs	9	Apr 9, 2022	Buffalo	15-12 W (Away)
	9	Feb 10, 2024	San Diego	10-8 W (Home)
Lowest CTOs	7	Mar 28, 2025	Philadelphia	13-5 W (Away)



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SCHEDULE

VS HOME GAME

AT AWAY GAME

VS



NOV. 29
SATURDAY 7PM

VS



DEC. 12
FRIDAY 7.30PM

AT



DEC. 20
SATURDAY 10PM

VS



DEC. 27
SATURDAY 7PM

AT



JAN. 03
SATURDAY 7PM

VS



JAN. 09
FRIDAY 7PM

AT



JAN. 16
FRIDAY 7.30PM

VS



JAN. 23
FRIDAY 7.30PM

AT



JAN. 31
SATURDAY 7PM

VS



FEB. 07
SATURDAY 7PM

AT



FEB. 14
SATURDAY 7PM

VS



FEB. 28
SATURDAY 7PM

AT



MAR. 07
SATURDAY 9PM

AT



MAR. 14
SATURDAY 9PM

AT



MAR. 20
FRIDAY 10PM

VS



MAR. 28
SATURDAY 7PM

VS



APR. 10
FRIDAY 7.30PM

AT



APR. 18
SATURDAY 6PM

#BEARWITNESS

All games listed in eastern time.