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# CHIEFS Journal

## SCOUTING THE CHILL

The Columbus Chill, doormats of the ECHL for its first two seasons in the league, has been shedding that image and pounding opponents so far this season. An explosive offense has combined with a quickly maturing defense to make Columbus one of the elite teams in the league.

Two of Columbus' victories have come at Johnstown's expense. On October 23, the Chill ruined Johnstown's home opener with a 7-4 victory. Twelve days ago, the Chill thrashed the Chiefs in Columbus, 9-2. The main cogs offensively for Columbus against the Chiefs (and the rest of the league) are Clayton Young, Mark Woolf and Jason Smart. Young, who played for Detroit of the Colonial League last season, posted one goal and four assists in the last meeting. Woolf, who holds the Roanoke Valley Rebels single season point record, has five goals over the two games. Smart had two goals, including the game-winner, during the October 23rd game. Smart skated with the Cleveland Lumberjacks of the International Hockey League last season.

Other offensive weapons for the Chill include Darwin McLelland, Mike Ross, Martin Mercier and Rob Schriener. McLelland did not play last season, but has not taken long to re-discover his scoring touch. He netted two goals

versus the Chiefs in Columbus and at the start of the week, was the team's second leading scorer. Ross, a Brown University product, has a point per game. Mercier has played on a line with Ross, is also contributing one point per game. Schriener is back for his second year with the Chill and burned the Chiefs for two goals during the 9-2 rout. Last week, the Chill added forward Blair Atcheynum, who saw time with the NHL's Ottawa Senators last season, and John Badduke, who played last season in the Western League.

On defense Mark Kuntz is the only Chill with previous professional experience. Kuntz spent last season with Richmond, racking up 215 penalty minutes. Besides Kuntz, the Chill decided to sink or swim with rookies and so far, the newcomers have responded very well. Ted Beattie, Joe Cook and Jessie Cooper played Division One college hockey last year. Lance Brady skated at Holy Cross, while John Sandell attended Plattsburg State. The Chill is allowing four goals a game, while scoring over five.

In goal, Jim Slayzk has kept the Chiefs at bay, recording both victories against Johnstown. Serge Tkachenko, a native of the Ukraine, is Columbus' other goalie.

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# On the Ice Today

## Johnstown *CHIEFS*

## COLUMBUS CHILL

No.	Player	Position	1992/93 Team	No.	Player	Position
1	John Bradley	Goalie	CHIEFS (ECHL)	1	Jim Slazyk	Goalie
2	Martin D'Orsonnens	Defense	Clarkson U. (ECAC)	2	Lance Brady	Defense
4	Campbell Blair	Defense	England	3	Jesse Cooper	Defense
6	Glen Lang	R-Wing	Wisconsin-Superior	4	Ted Beattie	Defense
7	Francois Bourdeau	Defense	Hull (QMJHL)	6	Joe Cook	Defense
8	Bob Woods	Defense	CHIEFS (ECHL)	7	Rob Schriener	R-Wing
10	Ted Dent	Center	Wichita (Central League)	8	Mark Woolf	R-Wing
12	Matt Hoffman	R-Wing	St. Thomas (Colonial)	9	Clayton Young	Center
14	Gord Christian	L-Wing	U. New Brunswick	11	Darwin McLellan	Defense
17	Jason Jennings	R-Wing	W. Michigan U.	12	John Badduke	L-Wing
19	Dennis Purdie	R-Wing	CHIEFS (ECHL)	14	Mark Kuntz	Defense
20	Chuck Wiegand	Center	CHIEFS (ECHL)	15	David Pensa	L-Wing
21	Helmut Karel	L-Wing	Austria	16	Mike Ross	Center
23	Jan Beran	R-Wing	Czechoslovakia	17	Mark Cipriano	R-Wing
31	Rob Laurie	Goalie	Dayton (ECHL)	18	Martin Mercier	L-Wing
32	Cory Banika	R-Wing	Brantford (Colonial)	19	Blair Atcheynum	R-Wing
35	Perry Florio	Defense	CHIEFS (ECHL)	20	Jason Smart	Center
44	Rob Leask	Defense	Baltimore (AHL)	33	Serge Tkachenko	Goalie

Coach: Eddie Johnstone

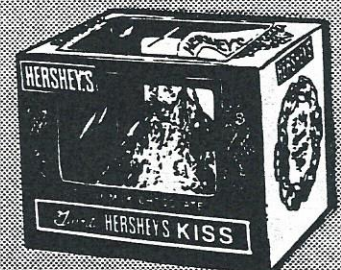
Trainer: Matt Koeck

Asst. Trainers: Mic Midderhoff and Derek Craft

Head Coach: Terry Ruskowski

Assistant Coach: Clayton Young

Trainer: Billy Brown







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## Team Statistics

### Johnstown CHIEFS

PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	PP
Purdie, Dennis	RW	22	11	22	33	-7	71	4
Woods, Bob	D	22	8	20	28	0	28	2
Dent, Ted	C	22	9	16	25	2	43	3
Hoffman, Matt	RW	18	11	10	21	-10	18	6
Florico, Perry	D	21	4	13	17	-7	36	2
Banika, Cory	RW	19	7	9	16	-5	130	2
Beran, Jan	F	15	9	6	15	3	15	0
Wiegand, Chuck	C	17	5	10	15	-3	6	1
Christian, Gord	LW	9	9	5	14	-1	18	5
Leask, Rob	D	22	5	9	14	-5	83	2
Adams, Jamie	C	16	7	6	13	-11	4	4
Lang, Glen	F	8	3	3	6	-4	4	1
Bourdeau, Francois	D	18	1	7	8	-6	23	0
Blair, Campbell	D	19	4	3	7	-7	10	2
McLellan, Dusty	LW	8	2	3	5	-4	30	0
Jennings, Jason	F	7	2	3	5	-3	0	1
Karel, Helmut	F	5	1	4	5	-1	29	0
D'Orsonnens, Martin	D	7	0	2	2	2	20	0
Laurie, Rob	G	7	0	1	1	0	2	0
Bradley, John	G	13	0	0	0	0	39	0

	GPI	MIN	AVG	W	L	OTL	SPCT
Laurie, Rob	7	358:54	4.01	3	3	0	.860
Bradley, John	13	633:31	5.78	4	7	0	.852

### COLUMBUS TEAM STATISTICS

PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	PP
Young, Clayton	C	21	19	26	45	23	44	3
Smart, Jason	C	19	11	16	27	7	37	5
McClelland, Darwin	D	19	9	17	26	16	17	0
Wolf, Mark	RW	20	13	11	24	0	39	6
Cook, Joe	D	17	6	16	22	16	8	5
Mercier, Martin	F	19	12	8	20	-5	16	3
Schriner, Rob	C	20	9	11	20	13	10	0
Ross, Mike	D	18	9	10	19	-2	6	2
Pensa, David	F	20	10	7	17	-4	6	3
Cooper, Jesse	D	21	2	12	14	14	26	0
Brady, Lance	D	21	2	11	13	10	50	0
Atcheynum, Blair	RW	4	6	1	7	1	0	2
Cipriano, Mark	RW	7	1	5	6	-3	56	0
Kuntz, Mark	D	15	0	3	3	0	80	0
Beattie, Ted	D	19	1	4	5	4	33	0
Badduke, John	F	6	0	3	3	-1	46	0
Tkachenko, Serge	G	8	0	1	1	0	0	0
Slazyk, Jim	G	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
BENCH		21	0	0	0	0	8	

	GPI	MIN	AVG	W	L	OTL	SPCT
Slazyk, Jim	14	758:50	4.11	7	4	1	.859
Tkachenko, Serge	8	449:36	4.40	4	2	1	.851

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## ECHL Standings

EAST	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM
Greensboro	22	16	4	2	34	.773	116	80	669
Raleigh	24	14	6	4	32	.667	93	74	536
Charlotte	23	13	9	1	27	.587	101	94	541
Hampton Roads	18	12	5	1	25	.694	89	72	756
South Carolina	19	9	8	2	20	.526	81	84	466
Roanoke	20	9	11	0	18	.450	86	95	519
Richmond	20	8	10	2	18	.450	88	97	674

NORTH	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM
Toledo	19	14	5	0	28	.737	111	96	596
Columbus	21	12	7	2	26	.619	115	93	527
Johnstown	22	10	11	1	21	.477	104	115	693
Wheeling	20	9	8	3	21	.525	88	96	608
Erie	19	10	9	0	20	.526	92	101	851
Dayton	20	7	12	1	15	.375	82	101	670

WEST	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM
Birmingham	22	15	7	0	30	.682	111	78	812
Knoxville	21	13	7	1	27	.643	98	73	607
Nashville	23	9	12	2	20	.435	83	90	913
Huntsville	22	8	12	2	18	.409	68	84	742
Louisville	21	5	12	4	14	.333	88	111	551
Huntington	20	5	13	2	12	.300	49	109	603

## League Notes

### Saturday's Games

Nashville 3 at Birmingham 4  
 Wheeling 6 at Dayton 5 (SO)  
 Columbus 9 at Erie 8  
 Louisville 3 at Huntsville 4 (OT)  
 Huntington 5 at Knoxville 4 (SO)  
 Greensboro 5 at Raleigh 4  
 Charlotte 9 at Richmond 2  
 Hampton Rds 6 at S. Carolina 7 (OT)  
 Johnstown 1 at Toledo 3

### Sunday's Games

Hampton Roads at Greensboro  
 Columbus at Johnstown  
 Louisville at Nashville  
 Erie at Toledo  
 Dayton at Wheeling

POINTS	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Berger, Phil	GBO	22	24	25	49
Gravelle, Dan	GBO	22	14	35	49
Young, Clayton	COL	21	19	26	45
Gervais, Victor	HRD	18	16	29	45
Flanagan, Joe	BIR	22	19	25	44
Robbins, Matt	CHR	23	19	23	42
Cook, Brian	LOU	20	15	25	40
Berdnikov, Sergei	CHR	23	16	22	38
Donald, Derek	DAY	20	16	20	36
Phillips, Guy	RMD	20	17	18	35
Larkin, Jim	BIR	22	18	16	34
DePourcq, John	ERI	19	10	24	34
Whittle, Jeff	ERI	19	16	17	33
Wheeler, Shawn	HRD	18	13	20	33
Purdie, Dennis	JHN	22	11	22	33
Hicks, Alex	TOL	19	8	25	33

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## CHIEFS Notes

- This is the third of eight meetings between the Chiefs and Chill. Columbus has won both previous meetings: 7-4 in Johnstown on 10/23 and 9-2 in Columbus on 11/23. After tonight, the teams play twice more at the War Memorial.
- The Chiefs and Chill both played road games last night. The Chiefs fell to Toledo, 3-1, as new Storm goalie Nick Vitucci stopped 33 Johnstown shots. Rob Laurie played well in defeat for the Chiefs, making 38 saves. Columbus beat Erie, 9-8, at the Erie Civic Center. The Chill trailed, 7-5, after two periods, but rallied for the victory. Blair Atcheynum had four goals, while Clayton Young chipped in four points.
- Johnstown has quietly won five of its last six home games. The Chiefs have only played eight home games, compared to 14 road games. No other ECHL club has played fewer home games.
- The Chiefs are back on the road next Friday night versus this same Columbus team. The Chiefs return to the War Memorial for weekend games against the Wheeling Thunderbirds on Saturday night (7:30 PM) and the Knoxville Cherokees on Sunday evening (7:00 PM).

## Upcoming CHIEFS Games and Promotions

- Monday, December 6:**  
Chattin' With the Chiefs 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
WJAC Radio 850 AM
- Tuesday, December 7:**  
Chiefs at Erie re-broadcast Channel 9 8:00 PM
- Wednesday, December 8:**  
Bob Woods and Perry Florio signing autographs at Richland Jewelers in Richland Mall  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- Thursday, December 9:**  
Chiefs at Dayton re-broadcast Channel 9 8:00 PM
- Friday, December 10:**  
Chiefs at Columbus Chill 7:30 PM  
WJAC 850 AM, WADJ AM 1330, WHJB 620 AM
- Saturday, December 11:**  
Wheeling Thunderbirds at Chiefs 7:30 PM  
Sheetz Travel Mug Night  
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# CHIEFS Journal

## *Streaky Month Ends On High Note For Chiefs*

When all was said and done, the Chiefs' final statistics for November reflected a positive month of hockey. The Chiefs won eight of 13 games, went .500 on the road and lost only once at home. Johnstown ended the month with an overall record of 10-9-1, a remarkable feat considering the Chiefs lost their first five games of the season. Fans may be even more encouraged by the fact that the Chiefs are playing their best hockey of the season entering December.

The month began with Johnstown's longest road trip of the season; a five-day, four-game, three-state swing. To open the trip, Chiefs' forward Cory Banika had two goals and an assist in Johnstown's 6-2 win at Huntington against the expansion Blizzard. It was the Chiefs' third straight win, a stretch during which Johnstown yielded only six goals. But the next night in Knoxville, the Cherokees would easily surpass that total, winning 9-6 with Manon Rheaume making her first start in net. The Chiefs' defensive woes continued against the Nashville Knights and Birmingham Bulls, losing, 8-4 and 7-5 respectively.

With a record of 3-7-1, the Chiefs stumbled into Wheeling on November 12, playing their fifth consecutive road game. The Thunderbirds had won four straight, but faced a resilient Johnstown club that evening. The Chiefs grabbed early leads of 2-1 and 4-2, then Dennis Purdie broke a 4-4 tie in the opening minutes of the third period. Matt Hoffman added an insurance goal five minutes later and the Chiefs held on for a 6-5 win.

The next night, Johnstown returned to the War Memorial for a four-game home stand. The Chiefs erased three one-goal third period deficits to beat Wheeling, 7-6 in overtime. Johnstown pounded out five second period scores against the Louisville IceHawks en route to a 7-5 triumph and its third straight win.

In spite of Dennis Purdie's hat trick, the Chiefs suffered a 5-4 hard-fought loss to the Charlotte Checkers at the War Memorial on November 19. Two days later, the Chiefs played one of their best defensive games of the season, holding Nashville to 18 shots in a 4-2 win.

The Columbus Chill brought back Johnstown's defensive demons, cruising to a 9-2 win in Columbus, before the Chiefs righted themselves. Johnstown held Erie to 21 shots in a 6-2 win at the Erie Civic Center on Thanksgiving night and goalie John Bradley made 46 saves in a 3-1 win over the Dayton Bombers at Hara Arena.

The stage was set for Johnstown's match with first-place Toledo last Saturday at the War Memorial. Before a sell-out crowd, the Chiefs rattled off five first period goals, blowing out the Storm, 10-3.

Johnstown's primary problem early in the season was inconsistent defense. In the past weeks, the defense has stabilized and the Chiefs are winning games. Hopefully, both trends will continue into December and throughout the rest of the season.

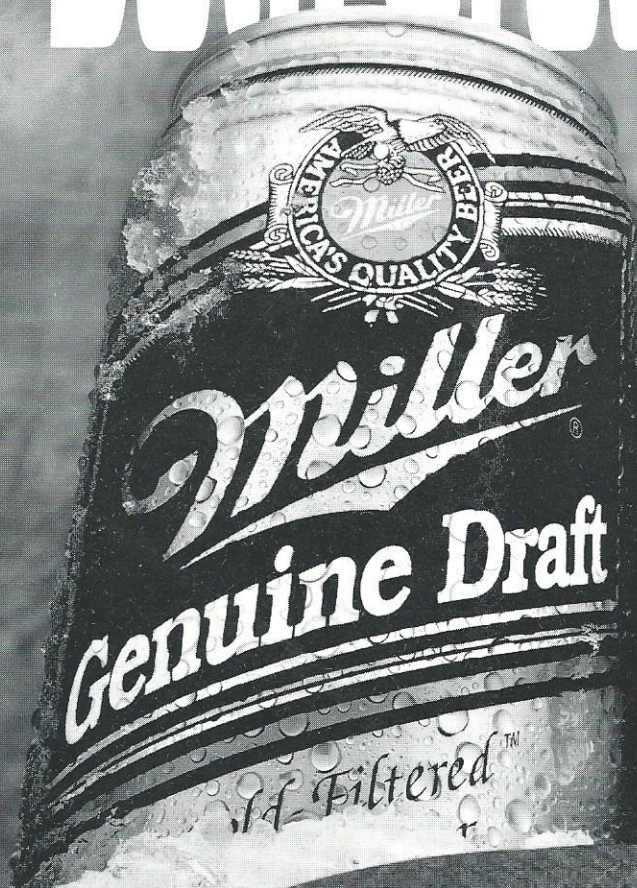


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