#### **SERIES NOTES**

# **CHARLOTTE CHECKERS**

All-Time Iowa Wild Record: 9-23-1-2 (4-12-

0-1 at Iowa, 5-11-1-1 at Charlotte)

Last Time: The Checkers took the opening

game of a weekend series by a 4-3 score at Casey's Center on Friday night... Jack Peart, Gerry Mayhew, and Tyler Pitlick scored for the Wild... Samuel Hlavaj stopped 28-of-32 shots

2024-25: Iowa and Charlotte faced off in a season series for the first time since 2016-17... The Checkers won all four games against the Wild... Caedan Bankier and Ryan Sandelin each scored two goals against Charlotte... Samuel Hlavaj allowed six goals in two starts... Trevor Carrick paced Checkers skaters with five points (1-4=5)... Cooper Black finished 3-0-0 with a 0.67 GAA and a 0.974 SV%

#### 2025-26 IOWA WILD LEADERS

GOALS: Gerry Mayhew (5) ASSISTS: David Spacek (6) POINTS: Jean-Luc Foudy (7)

PLUS/MINUS: Cameron Butler, Will Zmolek (+1)

PIM: Mark Liwiski (62) PPG: Gerry Mayhew (3)

POINTS/GAME: Tyler Pitlick (0.80)

GAA: Cal Petersen (2.72) SV%: Cal Petersen (0.897)

## **UPCOMING IOWA WILD GAMES**

OPPONENT	DATE	TIME (CT)	BROADCAST
vs. Texas	11/18	7 p.m.	AHLTV/KXn0
at Toronto	11/22	3 p.m.	AHLTV/KXn0
at Toronto	11/23	3 p.m.	AHLTV/KXn0
at Milwaukee	11/26	7 p.m.	AHLTV/KXn0
at Grand Rapids	11/28	6 p.m.	AHLTV/KXn0

#### MINNESOTA WILD

**Previous Game** 

11/11 vs. San Jose Sharks (2-1 OTL) Boldv (9)

Next Game

11/15 vs. Anaheim Ducks

2025-26 Season Record 7-7-4

#### **TEAM NOTES**

SCORING BY PERIOD: Iowa has scored a goal in five consecutive periods... The Wild have not scored two goals in a period in four games in a row... Iowa has not outscored Charlotte in a period in three games this season

SPECIAL TEAMS STATS: lowa's nine power plays on Friday night were the most since the team's all-time single-game record of 11 power plays on Dec. 14, 2021 vs. Milwaukee... The Wild allowed a shorthanded goal for the first time this season... lowa had not allowed a shorthanded goal since Feb. 28 vs. Milwaukee

HEAD-TO-HEAD: lowa is seeking its first win against Charlotte since Nov. 27, 2016... The Wild went 0-4-0-0 against the Checkers in 2024-25... Iowa and Charlotte did not play between the 2017-18 and 2023-24 seasons... The Checkers have won nine games in a row over lowa

## 2025-26 CHARLOTTE CHECKERS LEADERS

GOALS: Jack Devine, Wilmer Skoog, Ben Steeves (5)

ASSISTS: Jack Devine, Gracyn Sawchyn (6)

**POINTS:** Jack Devine (11)

PLUS/MINUS: Sandis Vilmanis (+6) PIM: Benning, Entwistle, Steeves (16)

PPG: Ben Steeves (2)

POINTS/GAME: Jack Devine (0.92)

GAA: Cooper Black (2.96) SV%: Cooper Black (0.886)

## **CONNECTIONS**

**GLEASON**: Entwistle (Hamilton)

KIERSTED: 233 AHL games with Charlotte

**NEWPOWER:** Pinho (Bridgeport)

SANDELIN: Livingstone (Minnesota St.-Mankato)

#### **MILESTONES**

MAYHEW: Needs 16 points to become lowa's all-time

leading scorer

PETERSEN: Needs 6 wins to reach 100 AHL wins

### **VETERANS APPRECIATION NIGHT**

- Iowa will rebrand as the Iowa Aeros for Veterans Appreciation Night on Saturday
- Prior to moving to Iowa, the Houston Aeros played from 1994 to 2013 in the IHL and AHL
- Houston operated independently from 1994-2001 before affiliating with the Minnesota Wild ahead of the 2001-02 season
- Jared Spurgeon, Matt Dumba, Charlie Coyle, Darcy Kuemper, Jonas Brodin, Jason Zucker, Erik Haula, Brent Burns, and Mikael Granlund are the only players active in the NHL who played in Houston
- Iowa's jerseys will feature gold stars in the crest and on the arm sleeves, a reference to America's Gold Star Families

#### RECENT RECALLS

- David Spacek was recalled to the NHL for the first time in his career on Tuesday
- Spacek, 22, has played in 145 AHL games with lowa and recorded 49 points (7-42=49) across three seasons
- Spacek leads lowa in assists (6) and is tied for the team lead in points (6)
- Iowa recalled defenseman Stevie Leskovar from the Iowa Heartlanders on Thursday
- Leskovar made his professional debut with the Wild on Apr. 19, 2025 vs. Grand Rapids
- Leskovar has skated in three ECHL games with the Heartlanders this season

#### **FAST FACTS**

- lowa is 0-4-0-0 when wearing green
- The Wild are 4-3-0-1 when wearing wheat
- Iowa is 0-1-0-0 when wearing white
- The Wild are 3-2-0-1 when scoring first
- Iowa is 1-6-0-0 when allowing the first goal
- The Wild are 2-2-0-1 when outshooting opponents
- Iowa is 2-6-0-0 when outshot

#### **RECENT TRANSACTIONS**

Oct. 18 - Nov. 14

- 10/20/2025: William Rousseau Recalled to Iowa (AHL)
- 10/20/2025: Matthew Sop Assigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 10/21/2025: Hunter Haight Recalled to Minnesota
- 10/22/2025: William Rousseau Reassigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 10/23/2025: Hunter Haight Reassigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 10/23/2025: Ryan McGuire Assigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 10/29/2025: Elliot Desnoyers Assigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 10/30/2025: Michael Milne Assigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 10/30/2025: Cam Butler Assigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 11/9/2025: Tyler Pitlick Reassigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 11/11/2025: David Spacek Recalled to Minnesota
- 11/13/2025: Stevie Leskovar Recalled to Iowa (AHL)

#### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

#3 - Jack Peart (PEERT)

#4 - Will Zmolek (ZMO-lehk)

#7 - Carson Lambos (LAM-bohs)

#19 - Caedan Bankier (KAY-duhn bayn-KEER)

#23 - Matt Kiersted (KEER-stehd)

#24 - Oskar Olausson (AWS-kuhr oh-LOW-suhn)

#27 - Riley Heidt (HIGHT)

#28 - Liam Öhgren (LEE-uhm OH-grehn)

#31 - Samuel Hlavaj (huh-LAH-vai)

#43 - Hunter Haight (HAYT)

#50 - Michael Milne (MILN)

#86 - Jean-Luc Foudy (ZHAWN-LEWK F00-dee)

#95 - Rasmus Kumpulainen (RAZ-muhs KOOM-poo-lye-nen)

#96 - Nicolas Aubé-Kubel (oh-BAY-koo-BEHL)

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