

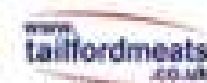
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If you do leave your seat during a break in play please remain at the bottom of the stairs before returning to your seat. The stewards will be there to advise you.

Ice Hockey is promoted as a family sport and here at Edinburgh Capitals this means so much to us as an organisation. Please be respectful of others at all times.

Our aim is for everyone to come to a game and go home feeling they have been entertained both on and off the ice.

We appreciate every one of you supporters and we will continue to make your match night experience as enjoyable as possible.



YOUR 2026-27 CAPITALS SQUAD

 19 MARAN HOGGAN	 34 BEN KEDDIE	 88 JONNIE LIVINGSTONE	 9 DEAN WALKER	 4 JONAH JOHNSON
 7 MARCUS MURDOCH	 8 MARTY SIMPSON	 9 CAMMY GALLAGHER	 16 CONNER MCNULTY	 17 JOE LYNCH
 19 RYS STEINHILBER	 22 AIDEN PATERSON	 24 KYLE HOWIE	 27 SEAN STEWART	 37 CHAD SMITH
 43 JUSTIN FINNIGAN	 44 ROSS BORWICK	 47 JOEL GAULTSON	 50 CHARLIE MCMANIS	 71 RYAN CHAMBERS
 77 SCOTT MCKAY	 78 RODARS CROOKS	 90 KRIS PHILLIPS	 92 CALY ROBERTSON	 97 SCOTT JAMIESON



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CAPITALS ACTION



Ian Coyle captured the moment the puck exploded, as did the water bottle, behind the Lynx netminder A great shot.



No way through Thunder's packed defence. (pic by Ian Coyle)

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Note;. Against Lynx Joel was given a goal on the game sheet when it was in fact scored by Caly



DAY ONE FOCUSES ON COMPREHENSIVE SKATING ASSESSMENT AND FUNDAMENTAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT.

SKILLS COVERED

FORWARD SKATING - BACKWARD SKATING - EDGE WORK - CROSSOVERS - TRANSITIONS

CAMP OBJECTIVE

ESTABLISH BASELINE SKATING MECHANICS AND IDENTIFY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

PLAYER OUTCOMES

IMPROVED SKATING EFFICIENCY - BETTER EDGE CONTROL - FASTER ACCELERATION - ENHANCED BALANCE

DAY 2: CAMP OBJECTIVE

DEVELOP ADVANCED PUCK SKILLS AND OFFENSIVE AWARENESS THROUGH PROGRESSIVE DRILLS.

PLAYER OUTCOMES

DAY 3: GAME APPLICATION AND COMPETITION.

DAY THREE BRINGS EVERYTHING TOGETHER IN COMPETITIVE GAME SITUATIONS AND SCRIMMAGES.

SKILLS COVERED

GAME AWARENESS - DECISION MAKING - TEAMWORK - COMPETITION - MENTAL TOUGHNESS

CAMP OBJECTIVE

APPLY LEARNED SKILLS IN GAME SCENARIOS AND DEVELOP COMPETITIVE MINDSET.

PLAYER OUTCOMES

FASTER DECISION MAKING - BETTER GAME AWARENESS - IMPROVED CONFIDENCE - ENHANCED COMPETITIVENESS

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Edinburgh Capitals
Founded 1998

Team Home Colours: White-Blue

Team Away Colours; Blue-White

Head Coach: Steven Lynch

Associate Coach: Chad Smith

Team Manager: Jim Paterson

Club Statistician: Julie Pat

Equipment: Rob Smith

Official Scorer: Gill McDairmid

Official Timekeeper: T B C

Media: Mark Easton

Announcer: Jim

Music: Chips

Official Photographers: Ian Coyle, Mark

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Club Honours

2023-24

Northern League Champions

SNL Play-Off Champions

2024

Northern Challenge Cup Winners

2025-26

Scottish National League Winners

Scottish SNL Cup Winners

Well, all the exhibition games have come and gone, and we had some interesting games to get the guys up to speed.

Two wins over Dundee were a good way to start

The two games against Solway IHC of the NIHL proved to be a learning curve for the players in both games.

The guys gave it all in the games and will have given Steven an idea of what the team need to work on. Having said that, it was still early in the season and only their third and fourth outings of the season,

It was then on to two games against Blackburn Hawks, another NIHL team.

A hard fought game here saw us go down in the end despite scoring three goals in 2m 17 secs to lead 4-3 at one point.

The following night we posted a third win in the Exhibition series of games with a win in Blackburn in OT.

Our S N L games then officially faced off with a trip to Aberdeen to face the Lynx.

What a start to the season the guys made, posting a 10-2 win with hat tricks from Joe and Jamo. For those who follow the Caps stats, against Lynx Joel was given a goal on the game sheet when Caly in fact, scored it. We have given it to Caly in our club stats.

Last week we played Kilmarnock Thunder here, although it was officially Thunder's home game, and we added a second successive league win.

Tonight we have Solway Sharks in the first leg of the Scottish Cup, with the Capitals all out to repeat last season's win in the competition. The second leg is at Dumfries on 18th October.

Enjoy the game and Haste Ye Back On Saturday to see us tackle Paisley Pirates, face off 6:30

Livingston Designer Outlet has teamed up with Scottish National League and Scottish Cup Champions, the Edinburgh Capitals, in a new partnership that will bring exclusive fan experiences, player appearances, and community events to Scotland's largest designer outlet throughout the 2026-2027 season.

The partnership will see the Edinburgh Capitals become a regular presence at Livingston Designer Outlet, with player appearances, competitions, ticket giveaways, membership drives, pop-up events, and fan experiences designed to bring supporters closer to the club while introducing new audiences to one of Scotland's most successful ice hockey teams. As part of the partnership, Livingston Designer Outlet has become the club's main jersey sponsor for the 2026-2027 season.

The collaboration reflects Livingston Designer Outlet's continued commitment to creating memorable experiences beyond shopping, while supporting organisations that play an important role within communities across Scotland.

Michelle Whitelaw, Centre Director at Livingston Designer Outlet, said, "At Livingston Designer Outlet, we're always looking for partnerships that create exciting experiences for our visitors while supporting organisations that make a real difference within our local communities. "The Edinburgh Capitals have built an incredibly passionate fanbase and continue to grow both on and off the ice. We're looking forward to working together throughout the season to bring fans closer to the club while creating some fantastic experiences at the outlet."

The Edinburgh Capitals have enjoyed significant growth since the reopening of Murrayfield Ice Arena following its 30-month closure during the pandemic. The club currently attracts average crowds of more than 2,150 supporters, has over 500 season ticket holders, and enters the new season as both Scottish National League and Scottish Cup Champions.

Capitals Managing Director Scott Neil said, "We're delighted to be partnering with Livingston Designer Outlet. This is far more than a sponsorship. It's a partnership that will help us grow commercially, strengthen our connection with supporters, and create new opportunities to engage with communities across the region.

"Working together will allow us to reach new audiences through player appearances, events, competitions, and promotions, while giving our supporters exciting opportunities to connect with the club away from the rink."

Visitors can look forward to a programme of activity throughout the season, with further details on events, appearances, and competitions to be announced in the coming months. For more information, head to <https://livingston-designer-outlet.co.uk> Livingston Designer Outlet is Scotland's largest designer outlet, home to over 80 shops, cafés, and restaurants. With favourites like Nike, Calvin Klein, Tommy Hilfiger, and Hugo Boss, alongside high-street names like M&S and Next, there is something for everyone to enjoy. This is a massive addition to the club going forward, and it shows just how far the team has progressed both on and off the ice in the last 4 years.



TOP 25 POINT SCORERS AND NETMINDERS STATS 2025-2026

								Averages per Game			
#	Player	Team	GP	GLS	ASTS	PTS	PiM	Gls	Assts	Pts	PiM
17	<u>Joe Lynch</u>	Capitals	2	4	4	8	2	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.00
11	<u>Deniss Kontseus</u>	Rockets	3	1	6	7	0	0.33	2.00	2.33	0.00
44	<u>Ollie Jardine</u>	Warriors	3	5	2	7	0	1.67	0.67	2.33	0.00
67	<u>Lennon Deeney</u>	Wild	4	5	2	7	4	1.25	0.50	1.75	1.00
97	<u>Scott Jamieson</u>	Capitals	2	4	3	7	2	2.00	1.50	3.50	1.00
8	<u>Jordan Leyden</u>	Lynx	3	2	4	6	2	0.67	1.33	2.00	0.67
16	<u>John Dolan</u>	Rockets	3	2	4	6	4	0.67	1.33	2.00	1.33
18	<u>Sean Beattie</u>	Rockets	3	4	2	6	2	1.33	0.67	2.00	0.67
29	<u>Cameron Ware</u>	Warriors	3	1	5	6	6	0.33	1.67	2.00	2.00
42	<u>Andrew Henderson</u>	Rockets	3	1	5	6	2	0.33	1.67	2.00	0.67
91	<u>Iain Brown</u>	Warriors	3	3	3	6	2	1.00	1.00	2.00	0.67
14	<u>Stephen Adams</u>	Sharks	4	4	1	5	0	1.00	0.25	1.25	0.00
19	<u>Sam McCluskey</u>	Rockets	2	2	3	5	2	1.00	1.50	2.50	1.00
14	<u>Phil Edgar</u>	Rockets	3	3	2	5	0	1.00	0.67	1.67	0.00
24	<u>Harry Harley</u>	Warriors	3	0	5	5	2	0.00	1.67	1.67	0.67
27	<u>Sean Stewart</u>	Capitals	2	1	4	5	0	0.50	2.00	2.50	0.00
79	<u>Zac Thomson</u>	Lynx	3	1	4	5	0	0.33	1.33	1.67	0.00
92	<u>Chris Sykes</u>	Warriors	3	3	2	5	0	1.00	0.67	1.67	0.00
7	<u>Chris Wilson</u>	Pirates	2	2	2	4	0	1.00	1.00	2.00	0.00
10	<u>Conor Duncan</u>	Lynx	3	2	2	4	2	0.67	0.67	1.33	0.67
15	<u>Cale Tanaka</u>	Pirates	2	2	2	4	0	1.00	1.00	2.00	0.00
16	<u>Euan Gallacher</u>	Thunder	3	1	3	4	0	0.33	1.00	1.33	0.00
22	<u>Adam Wood</u>	Warriors	3	1	3	4	2	0.33	1.00	1.33	0.67
24	<u>Ben Edmonds</u>	Lynx	3	1	3	4	0	0.33	1.00	1.33	0.00
27	<u>Jack Hutton</u>	Lynx	3	2	2	4	0	0.67	0.67	1.33	0.00

NETMINDER STATISTICS (TOP TEN SAVE %)

#	Netminder	Team	GP	Mins Pld	SOG	Saves	Gls Ag	Save%	GA
13	<u>Ciaran Hoggan</u>	Capitals	1	40.00	15	15	0	100	0
30	<u>Thomas Brown</u>	Warriors	3	172.47	72	71	1	0.986	0.35
55	<u>Callum Donaghy</u>	Pirates	1	60.00	20	19	1	0.95	1.00
34	<u>Ben Keddle</u>	Capitals	1	60.00	34	32	2	0.941	2.00
31	<u>Dale Shearer</u>	Rockets	2	100.00	35	32	3	0.914	1.80
29	<u>Caiden MacColl</u>	Pirates	1	60.00	26	22	4	0.846	4.00
31	<u>Craig Holland</u>	Rockets	1	65.00	14	10	4	0.714	3.69
30	<u>Calum Hepburn</u>	Sharks	2	126.32	127	121	6	0.953	2.91
37	<u>Logan Reid</u>	Sharks	3	89.58	46	40	6	0.87	4.00
1	<u>Matthew Reid</u>	Thunder	3	134.41	129	111	18	0.86	8.02

WHY DO CANADIANS LOVE HOCKEY ?

Canadians love their hockey. Whether it's winter or summer, you'll always see people out and about with their nose in the air, rooting for their favourite team. The game has been around for over 100 years, and while other sports may have faded in popularity, hockey definitely hasn't. In fact, it's one of the most popular sports in the country, alongside football (you know, Canadian football...not to be mistaken

for American football), basketball and baseball. Hockey has been around for over a century. In fact, the first organised hockey game took place in Montreal in 1900. This was before the creation of professional leagues like the NFL and NHL, so the game wasn't really about money. Those leagues didn't emerge until the early 20th century, when sports like ice hockey started becoming more popular. Teams started making money off of hockey spectators, rather than just players, so coaches, managers, and officials started getting involved. Until then, hockey was mostly played by kids and young adults, with men mostly participating in the sport. The game caught on quickly in Canada. In fact, when the NHL began, it consisted almost entirely of Canadian teams. It wasn't until the 20th century that the United States began embracing hockey as well. It's likely that as Canada started to develop a professional hockey league in the 1910s, many people in the U.S. were inspired to pick up the game. Professional hockey didn't become popular in the U.S. until the 1920s, when the NHL started expanding its reach beyond Canada. Today, hockey is one of the most popular sports in North America, played by millions of people around the world.

Hockey is a very physical sport, which many people in the U.S. may not be used to playing. The game requires a lot of movement, as well as quick thinking. Every player on the ice has to be aware of their surroundings and make quick, skilled movements, or else they'll end up on the losing end of a physical battle. Even though hockey is a team sport, there's still a lot of personal freedom on the ice. Everyone's got a job to do, and they all have to work together, without any coaching or supervision. This helps explain why many people in the U.S. may not relate to the game the way Canadians do.

One of the reasons why people in the U.S. may not relate to hockey is that, for the most part, they've never seen it played live. Sure, many people in North America have seen games on TV, or even gone to the movies about hockey, but nothing compares to being there, in person, on a crisp, cold winter's day, or on a hot summer's day, sweating it out on the golf course. Especially since, as we mentioned above, hockey in Canada is about community. Everyone in the stands is a family member, or someone you know. You can't help but get into the mood of the sport, especially when the home team is up by several goals, and the crowd is going crazy. It's not often you get to feel so connected to an activity you've never tried before.



RESULTS 5TH TO 15TH SEPTEMBER

Aberdeen Lynx	11	Kilmarnock Thunder	3	Solway Sharks	1	Whitley Warriors	6
N Ayrshire Wild	2	Dundee Rockets	9	N Ayrshire Wild	6	Kilmarnock Thunder	4
Whitley Warriors	7	N Ayrshire Wild	0	Dundee Rockets	9	Aberdeen Lynx	2
Solway Sharks	1	Paisley Pirates	3	Kilmarnock Thunder	1	Edinburgh Capitals	8
Aberdeen Lynx	2	Edinburgh Capitals	10	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	0	Whitley Warriors	4
Kirkcaldy Kestrels	4	Paisley Pirates	5	Solway Sharks	4	Dundee Rockets	5ps
Solway Sharks	7	N Ayrshire Wild	3				

LEAGUE STANDINGS AT 18TH SEPTEMBER

#	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts	Form
1	Whitley Warriors	3	3	0	0	17	1	6	W3
2	Dundee Rockets	3	3	0	0	23	8	6	W3
3	Edinburgh Capitals	2	2	0	0	18	3	4	W2
4	Paisley Pirates	2	2	0	0	8	5	4	W2
5	Aberdeen Lynx	3	1	2	0	15	22	2	L2
6	Solway Sharks	4	1	2	1	13	17	3	L2`
	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	2	0	2	0	4	9	0	L2
8	Kilmarnock Thunder	3	0	3	0	8	25	0	L3
9	North Ayrshire Wild	4	1	3	0	11	27	2	W1

ALL THE LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR 2026-2027 SEASON

Home Team	AL	DR	EC	KT	KK	NAW	PP	SS	WW
Aberdeen Lynx		24-10 06-03	2-10 06-02	11-3 03-10	07-11 20-03	31-10 16-01	10-10 12-12	28-11 20-02	14-11 27-02
Dundee Rockets	9-2 05-12		07-11 20-03	25-10 30-01	22-11 06-02	29-11 09-01	23-01 27-03	01-11 13-03	03-10 13-02
Edinburgh Capitals	17-10 23-01	10-10 28-11		31-10 07-02	31-12 20-02	14-11 13-03	03-10 30-01	05-12 03-01	12-12 06-03
Kilmarnock Thunder	13-02 13-03	14-11 20-02	1-8 09-01		28-11 27-03	07-11 06-02	19-12 06-03	12-12 16-01	05-12 23-01
Kirkcaldy Kestrels	11-11 27-12	17-01 14-03	06-12 02-01	21-02 21-03		20-12 07-03	4-5 13-02	30-01 14-02	0-4 21-11
N Ayrshire Wild	21-11 30-01	2-9 19-12	24-10 13-02	6-4 20-03	23-01 27-02		26-09 05-12	10-10 17-10	28-11 27-03
Paisley Pirates	20-12 21-03	15-11 07-03	27-12 28-02	06-12 14-03	01-11 31-01	25-10 07-02	-	22-11 24-01	17-01 21-02
Solway Sharks	27-09 28-03	4-5ps 31-01	10-01 27-02	15-11 29-11	25-10 19-12	7-3 04-04	1-3 04-10	-	1-6 31-10
Whitley Warriors	26-09 31-01	13-12 07-02	01-11 28-03	22-11 10-01	04-10 18-10	7-0 14-02	17-10 13-03	11-10 07-03	-



WHO'S BACK, WHO'S ARRIVED AND WHO'S LEFT

The first of the 2026-27 signings was made at the Capitals Awards night on 8th May, with **Joe Lynch** continuing his career with the Capitals. The news was a surprise to many fans who thought he would be moving on, but the lure of the Capitals was too great, and we are delighted to have him back for a fifth season.

Joe's Stats last season GP39 Gls 56 Asst 44 Pts100

There were no doubts about whom we wanted as our first choice netminder, with due respect to Ciaran Hoggan, but with eight shutouts last season, Player of the Year **Ben Keddie** was that man. Ben, like Joe, has ambitions to have a better season than last, and that is not beyond them.

Ben's Stats last season Mins 1,889 Shots Agst 932 Gls Agst 56 Save% 94:00 GAAv 1.78 and an unbelievable 8 shutouts.

We didn't have long to wait until Steven's next signing news, and **Marty Simpson** made the move from Paisley to the Capitals. It is the second time the free-scoring defenceman has played here, having iced with the Capitals predecessors. He will be a great addition to our 'D'.

Marty's stats last season with Paisley were GP 35 Gls17 Assts 28 Pts 45. Martyn was the SNL's Second top points-scoring defenceman, and he hopes to go one better this term.

We then wondered who would be announced next

The online cryptic clue of the next signing showed a flag of an African nation, but when the player was announced, he bore no relation to the country of Chad. So we welcomed our own **Chad Smith** back for a fifth season. Chad is the club's leading all-time points scorer, and after his Assistant Coaching role from last term, he is now Associate Coach to Steven. This will benefit everyone at the Capitals going forward.

Chad's stats last season were GP 39 Gls 39 Assts 36 Pts 76

Our next signing heralded the return of non-British-trained player Sean Stewart, who was voted Caps Top defenceman after a great debut season. Sean brought stability to the back line. Despite being labelled a stay-at-home D man, he put good points the board.

Sean's 2025-26 stats were GP 38 Gls 13 Ast 24 Pts 37

Our next signing was perhaps a bit of a surprise in that captain of the Kestrels, **Scott Jamieson** moved over the Forth to join the Fife based players at Capitals. The 25year old is certainly a player you want to have on your team rather than against you. Scott came up through the Fife junior system and made his debut at under 16 level in season 2014-2015 then played through the Fife junior set up before joining the Kestrels for the 2017-18 season and has played there until signing for the Capitals. Scott's stats for 2025-26: GP 35 Gls 22 Asst 5 for 27 pts.

ICE HOCKEY UK COMPLETES LANDMARK MERGER

Ice Hockey UK (IHUK) has announced the completion of an historic merger that unifies England Ice Hockey, Scottish Ice Hockey and Ice Hockey UK into a single, governing body for the sport – making ice hockey the United Kingdom's first Olympic sport to fully consolidate its governance and development across all home nations.

The merger, approved in-principle by member clubs in a vote in December 2025, and formally ratified by the respective Boards on 16th June 2026, marks a watershed moment for the sport and the wider sporting system. The unified body will oversee the sport from grassroots to elite level under one strategy, with the changes taking effect from 30th June 2026.

Clifton Wrottesley, Chair of Ice Hockey UK:

"This is a landmark moment for ice hockey in the United Kingdom. By coming together as one, we are creating a stronger, more unified sport that is better equipped to realise its full potential. This agreement gives us the platform to modernise how we operate, unlock new opportunities for investment and growth, and deliver a clear, ambitious vision for the future of the game across all four home nations, alongside all of our partners in the sport."

Duncan Hough, Chair of England Ice Hockey:

"This agreement is the result of significant engagement and commitment from across our membership, and I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the journey so far. EIH has benefited in recent years from shared services and closer cooperation with IHUK, and by bringing all three organisations together, it allows us to provide even greater support for clubs, players and volunteers."

John Colley, Chair of Scottish Ice Hockey:

"Reaching agreement on the merger is a hugely positive step for the sport. Throughout this process, it has been vital that the voices of our members have been heard, and that will continue as we move forward. This new structure provides an opportunity to strengthen the game in Scotland, while bringing the skills, experience and insight from SIH to a unified approach that benefits the whole UK ice hockey community."

Tim Bratton, Interim CEO of Ice Hockey UK:

"This is the start of an exciting new chapter for our sport. Thanks to the support of our members, we have been able to create a merged entity that will have a transformational impact on our ambitions to grow the game in the UK. The focus now turns to implementation, bringing the new organisation to life in a way that delivers real, tangible benefits for those involved in the game at all levels. By aligning our people, resources and expertise, we can build a more efficient, responsive and forward-thinking governing body that enhances the experience for everyone in ice hockey."

Sally Munday, CEO of UK Sport:

"It is imperative that our sporting system finds new ways to become more efficient and effective. UK Sport is actively supporting governing bodies to deepen their collaboration, and we congratulate Ice Hockey UK and its members on taking this step to enhance their governance and operations."

With over 14,000 registered members across the UK, and two-million tickets sold annually to UK-based leagues and national-team games, ice hockey has risen to be the fifth most attended sport in the country and the UK's most watched indoor sport.

About Ice Hockey UK

Ice Hockey UK is the unified national governing body for ice hockey across England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Following the historic merger ratified on 16th June 2026, IHUK oversees the sport from grassroots participation to elite international competition, representing approximately 14,000 registered members. Ice hockey is the UK's most watched indoor sport and the fifth most attended sport nationwide.



CAPITALS STATS COURTESY OF CAPS STATISTICIAN

							Averages Per Game			
#	Player	GP	Gls	Asts	Pts	PIM	Gls	Asst	Pts	PiM
17	Joe Lynch	2	4	4	8	2	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.00
97	Scott Jamieson	2	4	3	7	2	2.00	1.50	3.50	1.00
27	Sean Stewart	1	1	4	5	0	1.00	4.00	5.00	0.00
92	Caly Robertson	2	1	4	5	0	0.50	2.00	2.50	0.00
16	Conner McNulty	2	2	1	3	0	1.00	0.50	1.50	0.00
47	Joel Gautschi	2	1	2	3	6	0.50	1.00	1.50	3.00
77	Scott McKay	2	2	0	2	0	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
7	Marcus Murdoch	2	1	1	2	2	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00
3	Dean Walker	2	0	2	2	0	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
8	Marty Simpson	2	0	2	2	0	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
78	Rihards Grigors	1	0	2	2	2	0.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
44	Ross Borwick	2	1	0	1	2	0.50	0.00	0.50	1.00
22	Aidan Paterson	2	1	0	1	2	0.50	0.00	0.50	1.00
9	Cammy Gallagher	2	0	1	1	0	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.00
24	Kyle Howie	2	0	1	1	0	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.00
43	Justin Finnigan	2	0	1	1	0	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.00
19	Rhys Stenhouse	2	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
71	Kris Phillips	2	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
37	Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna	1	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
90	Chad Smith	1	0	0	0	5	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
37	Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50	Ryan Chambers	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

NETMINDERS STATISTICS

#	Netminder	GP	Mins	Shots	Gls Ag	SvS	Save%	G Ag Av
34	Ben Keddle	1	60.00	34	2	30	94.12	2.00
13	Ciaran Hoggan	1	40.00	12	0	12	100	0
88	Jonnie Livingstone	1	20	6	1	5	.833	3.00

CAPITALS PERIOD STATISTICS

Capitals Period SNL Games Stats at 21st September							
Period	1	2	3	OT/PS W	OT/PS L	Total	
Wins	2	1	1	0	0	4	
Draws	0	1	1	0	0	2	
Losses	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Goals Scored per Period	6	6	6	0	0	18	
Goals Lost per Period	1	1	1	0	0	3	

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Our next announced signing was that of forward **Conner McNulty** who was back for his second season with the Capitals. Conner . The 21 year old hails from Irvine and will be to add to the 21 goals he scored last season. Conner arrived at the Capitals from Billingham Stars, Widnes Wild and Peterborough Phantoms and quickly settled into life at the Capitals.

Conner's 2025-26 stats were GP 38 Gls 21 Ast 22 Pts 43

Following Conner the next signing was D man **Aiden Paterson**, who will be icing in his fifth season at the Capitals. An ever-present until last season, Aiden has developed into a sound and reliable blue liner. Capitals is Aiden's only senior team, and the native of Airdrie started his career with Lanarkshire Lightning. His points last season were a bonus and he will be keen to add to those this coming season. Aiden's 2025-26 stats were GP 39 Gls 5 Ast 23 Pts 28.

Signings up to this point were experienced players so it was great to see last season's Rookie of the Year, **Justin Finnigan**, getting signed up after his breakthrough season. Justin is a very promising player learning his trade, and he can be sure he will be given all the encouragement he needs from the coaching staff and fellow players.

Justin's stats 2025-26 were GP 36 Gls 4 Assts 4 Pts 8

Next up was a guy who deserves a lot of praise for sticking things out as backup netminder. **Ciaran 'Titch' Hoggan** has signed for his fourth season with the Capitals after debuting in season 2023-24 and when called on has posted impressive stats. He has been involved in 89 games for the club and has a .900 save % and 2.76 goals-against during that time. It can be a thankless task and Ciaran is more than capable of carrying it out week in, week out.

Ciaran's stats for 2025-26 were GP 39 Shots faced 223 GAAv 2.33, Save .906%

The captain's role in a team is a very important one. In **Joel Gautschi** we have one of the best, if not the best, in the SNL. So, it is great to see him back for his fifth season at the club. Joel is a hard-working forward and always ready to back up his teammates. His scoring record in his previous four seasons sees him second in Capitals All Time points scoring with 105 goals and 143 assists for 248 pts from 137 games.

Joel's 2025-26 Stats were GP 38 Gls 19 Asst 40 Pts 59.

We welcomed the return of 16 year old **Jonah Johnson** who joined the club in the latter part of last season and showed maturity beyond his years. Jonah hails from Belfast and was forced to miss some games but when he played he looked as though he had played at SNL level for years. The club has been talking to Jonah's parents to find a solution to allow him to play more games this term.

Jonah's 2025-26 stats: G10PGIs 1 Asst 3 Pts 4.

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Our next summer signing saw the return of **Scott McKay** for his second season with the Capitals. Scott brings a physical presence to our forward options, and he is not afraid to stand up for his teammates if the need arises.

Scott's stats for 2025-26 GP 35 Gls 4 Asst 12 Pts 16

The Next name to be released was that Of **Marcus Murdoch**, who like Marty Simpson made the move along the M8 from Paisley. Marcus started his career with Kilmarnock and has also iced with Solway Sharks in the NIHL 1 and joined Pirates in season 2024-25.

Marcus's stats last season with Paisley were GP 36 Gls 10 Asst 17 Pts 27

Just as we thought the signing pen had run out of ink we heard of the next signing and what a signing it was in the shape of **Caly Robertson**, who iced with the EIHL and SNL Capitals previously. In fact looking at his resume, it looks like a guide to UK hockey rinks. Icing for Hull Seahawks and Bristol Pitbulls in the NIHL last season, Caly kept up his great points returns wherever he has played.

Caly's stats last season were GP 68 Gls 16 Asst 28 Pts 44.

Next to be announced for the new season was local lad **Dean Walker**, who many fans had been anxious to get signed for his fourth season. Dean has made great progress over the seasons and will no doubt be looking to improve even further this season. A steady defenceman he came up through the Murrayfield junior system.

Dean's 2025-26 stats; GP 36 Asst 6

With roster slots filling up we wondered who would be next to be announced.

On June 26th it was **Kyle Howie** who was making a return to the club after a fine first debut season. The 20-year-old moved here from North Ayrshire Wild and made a big impression on the fans. Kyle was the only player to play in the club's 41 games last term.

Kyle's stats for 2025-26 were GP 41 Gls 8 Asst 9 Pts 17.

Next up was **Kris 'Philly' Phillips** who had a solid season for the club in our silverware season. As a utility player his physical presence can cause mayhem in the opponents' defensive zone whilst upsetting the opposing players in our defensive area and we look for more of the same this season.

Kris's stats for 2025-26 were: GP 39 Gls 8 Asst 13 Points 21

As the weeks to the opening face-off counted down, Steven announced that fan favourite **Cammy Gallagher** had returned for his fifth season with the club. A product of the Murrayfield junior system, Cammy made the step into senior hockey ahead of the 2022-2023 season and has been a member of the Capitals roster ever since. Always ready to answer the call, he continues to give everything for the club whenever he pulls on the jersey.

Cammy's stats last season were: GP 38 Gls 4 Asst 6 Pts 10

After a lull, in Capitals terms, in signings, we welcomed back **Rihards 'Ricky' Grigors** for a third consecutive season. Ricky again brings a wealth of experience to our defensive line-up. Ricky will be on hand to help our defenders progress and well as being an important player for us.

Ricky's stats for 2025-26 were: GP 40 Gls 7 Asst 23 Pts 30

CAPITALS FIXTURE SCHEDULE AND RESULTS 2026-27

					Final		Period Scores						Shots on		Pen Mins on		
Day	Date	H/A	Opposition	Comp	Score		1		2		3		OT	Caps	Opp	Caps	Opp
Sat	22/08	H	Dundee Rockets	EXH	6	2	1	1	3	1	2	0	-	33	43	6	8
Sun	23/08	H	Dundee Rockets	EXH	5	4	1	0	2	2	1	2	0-0	27	40	17	17
Sat	29/08	A	Solway I H C	EXH	2	7	0	3	1	1	1	3	-	54	31	29	27
Sun	30/08	H	Solway I H C	EXH	1	4	0	1	1	2	0	1	-	47	23	4	4
Sat	05/09	H	Blackburn Hawks	EXH	4	6	0	2	4	2	0	2	-	35	37	15	19
Sun	06/09	A	Blackburn Hawks	EXH	5	4	1	3	1	1	2	0	1-0	39	41	11	11
Sat	12/09	A	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL	10	2	3	0	2	2	5	0	-	34	53	21	6
Sun	30/09	A	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL	8	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	-	15	60	2	2
Sat	26/09	H	Solway Sharks	SCup													
Sat	03/10	H	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Sat	10/10	H	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sat	17/10	H	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL													
Sun	18/10	A	Solway Sharks	SCup													
Sat	24/10	A	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL													
Sat	31/10	H	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL													
Sun	01/11	A	Whitley Warriors	SNL													
Sat	07/11	A	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sat	14/11	H	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL													
Sat	29/11	H	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sat	05//12	H	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sun	06/12	A	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	12/12	H	Whitley Warriors	SNL													
Sat	27/12	A	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Thu	31/12	H	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	02/01	A	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sun	03/01	H	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sat	09/01	A	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL	To be played @ MIA												
Sun	10/01	A	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sat	23/01	H	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL													
Sat	30/01	H	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Sat	06/02	A	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL													
Sun	07/02	H	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL													
Sat	13/02	A	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL													
Sat	20/02	H	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	27/02	A	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sun	28/02	A	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Sat	06/03	H	Whitley Warriors	SNL													
Sat	20/03	A	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sun	28/03	A	Whitley Warriors	SNL													

NOTE: ALL FIXTURES ARE LIABLE TO CHANGE, PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ANY UPDATES

IT'S A NEW SEASON AND NEW BEGINNINGS

BY TEAM MANAGER JIM PATERSON

Late last season, it was announced that the Murrayfield Junior set-up would come under the auspices of the Edinburgh Capitals.

This is an exciting and bold move by both parties to come together to strengthen the roots of the game in the capital.

Many of our younger Capitals players have come through some of the most successful junior set-ups in the country. Aiden Paterson and Kyle Howie at Lanarkshire and Ben Keddie, Joe Lynch and Scott Mackay at Kirkcaldy.

It was encouraging to see Justin Finnigan and Charlie Hanna get some ice time with the senior side last season. This is a performance pathway that we want to encourage more junior players and give them motivation to work hard, on and off the ice, to get the opportunity to play in front of the amazing Capitals fans.

The merger of the two clubs will see players and coaches give time and experience to help the development of junior players and mentor them to become better players and better athletes.

All junior players look up to the more senior players and can pick up good habits when watching them or being coached by them.

There is no doubt the last 4 years have been a real success for ice hockey in Edinburgh with the Capitals winning both the SNL and the Scottish Cup, the time is right for the good feelings and vibes to spread to the juniors and to try and bring them the hard work ethic and grit that the Capitals have displayed.

It is worth noting this may be a slow development, but the seeds are being planted to develop some of the best young players in the country. With the right attitude and coaching, we are trying to build Caps players of the future.

Our message to our new junior teammates is listen to your coaches, work hard both in practice and in games and always be prepared, be coachable and be a good teammate. It goes a long way to you making the step up to senior hockey.

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Signing No 21 came on the 28th of July when it was announced that **Rhys Stenhouse** was returning to the Lions Den to continue his progress, Rhys has improved season on season and he and Steven hopes this trend continues.

Rhys's Stats from 2025-26 were: GP 36 Gls2 Assts 3 Pts 8

Then three pieces of the team jigsaw showed that **Jonnie Livingston and Charlie McLoughlin-Hannah**, who stepped up from the juniors last term, would once again be lining up when circumstances allowed. Steven also called up 15-year-old **Ryan Chambers**, who will be iced when the time is right and will be making his senior debut if games allow.

Steven wasn't finished though as a surprise signing came along in the shape of feisty forward **Ross Borwick**, who iced with the SNL Capitals on its return to hockey in season 2022-23. Ross 'The Boss' retired in season 2024-25 but has made a welcome return.

Sadly, we saw the retirements of **Ben Coughtrie, Scott Geddes and Adam Robinson**. After signing, a change of family circumstances saw **Garry Simpson** leave the club. **Cameron Wilkie** has not returned.

We wish them all well and thank them for their service to the club.

THE EDINBURGH CAPITALS SUPPORTERS CLUB NEEDS YOU!

The ECSC are looking for volunteers to join the committee. A few members of the committee have had to stand down, and we are short on numbers. We want some extra helpers for the events, like Teddy Toss and Foodbank Collections, that need several people to ensure it all goes well and make sure none of us ends up missing the action on the ice. And it is great to have new blood bringing fresh ideas and different perspectives. The club operates as part of the Caps family, and in close cooperation with rink management and the Caps team.

What's involved? Monthly meetings, usually on the first Thursday evening of each month, are held either at the rink or online. We discuss plans for the future, allocate actions to members, and get an update on our financial position. Once or twice a season you will be on the ECSC desk (near the Merch stall) at home matches (but you wouldn't be on your own!). As the face of the ECSC you could be answering questions, taking payments for raffle, and handing out entry forms to fans wanting to take part in one of our competitions. You will have the opportunity to volunteer for other jobs as these turn up.

If this sounds like it might be for you, and you want further information before committing, please get in touch with one of the club officers on Facebook – Leanne McOmish (Chair), Emily Furniss (Treasurer) or Blyth Crawford (Secretary). The ECSC Chair and Treasurer recently took part in the Edinburgh Kiltwalk to raise funds for accessibility improvements at the rink, and enjoyed a warm dry day for their 11 and a bit miles walk from Musselburgh to Murrayfield.

If you would like to donate to their pages you still have time. You can find the links on the ECSC Facebook page.



EDINBURGH CAPITALS

Colours: White, Blue, Red

Capitals Goals

#	Player	Pos	#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
13	Ciaran Hoggan	NM	1				:	
34	Ben Keddie	NM	2				:	
88	Jonnie Livingstone	NM	3				:	
3	Dean Walker	D	4				:	
4	Jonah Johnson	D	5				:	
7	Marcus Murdoch	F	6				:	
8	Marty Simpson	D	7				:	
9	Cammy Gallagher	F	8				:	
16	Conner McNulty	F	9				:	
17	Joe Lynch 'A'	F	10				:	
19	Rhys Stenhouse	F	Capitals Penalties					
#	Offence	Time	Mins					
22	Aiden Paterson 'A'	D					:	:
24	Kyle Howie	F					:	:
27	Sean Stewart 'A'	D					:	:
37	Chad Smith	F					:	:
43	Justin Finnigan	F					:	:
44	Ross Borwick	F					:	:
47	Joel Gautschi 'C'	F					:	:
50	Charlie McLoughlin- Hannah	D					:	:
71	Ryan Chambers	F					:	:
77	Scott McKay	F					:	:
78	Rihards Grigors	D					:	:
90	Kris Phillips	D					:	:
92	Caly Robertson	F					:	:
97	Scott Jamieson	F					:	:

Head Coach: Steven Lynch, Associate Coach: Chad Smith, Asst. Coach: Ben Coughlin, Manager: Jim Paterson, Kit: Rob Smith,

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SOLWAY SHARKS



Colours: Blue

Sharks Goals

#	Player	Pos	#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
6	Oliver Calver	NM	1				:	
30	Calum Hepburn	NM	2				:	
37	Logan Reid	NM	3				:	
9	Scott Rae	F	4				:	
10	Ajay Turner	F	5				:	
14	Stephen Adams	F	6				:	
15	Keiran Hair	F	7				:	
17	Jamie Ferguson	F	8				:	
18	Lewis Houston	F	9				:	
19	Richard Bentham	D	10				:	
20	Keir McPherson	F	Sharks Penalties					
#	Offence	Time	Mins					
22	Andrew Craik	F					:	:
28	Gordon Horne 'C'	F					:	:
29	Charlie Leuvenennink	F					:	:
35	Scott Kirkpatrick	D					:	:
42	Euan Duignan	D					:	:
45	Scott Crane	F					:	:
67	Ruairi Lockerbie 'A'	F					:	:
77	Scott Cowan	F					:	:
85	Andrew Creighton	F					:	:
89	Oliver Turner	D					:	:
90	Ross Murray	F					:	:
97	Lewis Chalmers 'A'	F					:	:

Head Coach: Bob Chalmers, Manager: Alan Harley

#	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total	Time Out	Period Scores	1	2	3	OT	Final	Time Out	#	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
13	Ciaran Hoggan	:						Capitals	Capitals						Sharks	6	Oliver Turner	:					
34	Ben Keddie	:						:	Sharks						:	30	Calum Hepburn	:					
88	Jonnie Livingstone	:						Referee: _____	Linespersons: _____ and _____						:	37	Logan Reid	:					

Out of courtesy, for your own safety and that of other fans please remain seated until play stops. Please follow the stewards instructions at all times.



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