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|                         | 3 Regular Season                       |                           |
| Oct. 21                 | Florida                                | W 4-2                     |
| Oct. 22<br>Oct. 23      | Florida<br>Savannah                    | L 5-3<br>L 4-1            |
| Oct. 20                 | at Orlando                             | W 6-3                     |
| Nov. 1                  | Greenville                             | W 2-1                     |
| Nov. 4                  | Orlando                                | W 5-0                     |
| Nov. 5                  | at South Carolina                      | L 4-2                     |
| Nov. 13                 | Savannah                               | W 4-3 (OT)                |
| Nov. 16<br>Nov. 18      | at Florida<br>at Florida               | W 3-2<br>L 5-4 (OT)       |
| Nov. 19                 | at Florida                             | L 3-4 (01)                |
| Nov. 24                 | Savannah                               | W 2-1                     |
| Nov. 25                 | South Carolina                         | W 3-1                     |
| Nov. 26                 | South Carolina                         | W 4-3 (SO)                |
| Nov. 29<br>Dec. 2       | Savannah<br>at Greenville              | <b>L 5-1</b><br>L 2-1     |
| Dec. 2<br>Dec. 3        | at Greenville                          | W 3-2                     |
| Dec. 9                  | Orlando                                | W 5-2                     |
| Dec. 10                 | Orlando                                | W 5-3                     |
| Dec. 11                 | at Savannah                            | W 3-1                     |
| Dec. 14<br>Dec. 16      | South Carolina<br>Greenville           | L 7-3<br>L 5-4 (OT)       |
| Dec. 10<br>Dec. 18      | Savannah                               | W 3-1                     |
| Dec. 20                 | South Carolina                         | W 4-3                     |
| Dec. 22                 | Greenville                             | W 2-1                     |
| Dec. 23                 | at Greenville                          | L 3-2                     |
| Dec. 28<br>Dec. 30      | at Greenville<br>Norfolk               | L 5-1<br><b>W 4-3</b>     |
| Dec. 30                 | Norfolk                                | W 3-2                     |
| Jan. 1                  | Savannah                               | W 2-0                     |
| Jan. 5                  | at Savannah                            | W 5-3                     |
| Jan. 6                  | at South Carolina                      | L 4-0                     |
| Jan. 8<br>Jan. 11       | Savannah<br>South Carolina             | W 3-0<br>L 5-1            |
| Jan. 13                 | at Jacksonville                        | W 5-3                     |
| Jan. 14                 | Jacksonville                           | L 5-4                     |
| Jan. 16                 | Jacksonville                           | L 5-4 (OT)                |
| Jan. 18                 | at Orlando                             | L 3-2                     |
| Jan. 21<br>Jan. 25      | at South Carolina<br>at Greenville     | L 4-2<br>L 4-3            |
| Jan. 29                 | at Orlando                             | W 5-1                     |
| Feb. 4                  | at Savannah                            | W 7-3                     |
| Feb. 5                  | Savannah                               | L 5-4 (OT)                |
| Feb. 8<br>Feb. 10       | Greenville<br>at Jacksonville          | L 4-3 (OT)<br>L 2-1       |
| Feb. 10                 | Cincinnati                             | L 5-3                     |
| Feb. 12                 | Cincinnati                             | L 6-5                     |
| Feb. 14                 | South Carolina                         | L 5-3                     |
| Feb. 17                 | at Adirondack                          | L 4-2                     |
| Feb. 18<br>Feb. 19      | at Maine<br>at Maine                   | L 6-2<br>W 5-2            |
| Feb. 13                 | at Jacksonville                        | W 3-2<br>W 3-0            |
| Feb. 25                 | at South Carolina                      | L 7-3                     |
| Feb. 26                 | Fort Wayne                             | W 6-4                     |
| Mar. 2                  | at Savannah                            | W 6-3                     |
| Mar. 3<br>Mar. 4        | at South Carolina<br>at South Carolina | L 10-1<br>L 6-1           |
| Mar. 7                  | Greenville                             | W 2-1                     |
| Mar. 10                 | at Orlando                             | W 6-4                     |
| Mar. 14                 | Greenville                             | W 5-4                     |
| Mar. 17                 | at Reading                             | L 8-2                     |
| Mar. 18<br>Mar. 19      | at Reading<br>at Reading               | L 3-2<br>3:00 pm          |
| Mar. 13                 | Maine                                  | 7:00 pm                   |
| Mar. 29                 | Florida                                | 7:00 pm                   |
| Mar. 31                 | at Savannah                            | 7:30 pm                   |
| Apr. 1                  | Florida                                | 7:00 pm<br>3:00 pm        |
| <b>Apr. 2</b><br>Apr. 7 | Florida<br>at Jacksonville             | <b>3:00 pm</b><br>7:00 pm |
| Apr. 8                  | at Jacksonville                        | 7:00 pm                   |
| Apr. 14                 | at Florida                             | 7:30 pm                   |
| Apr 15                  | at Florida                             | 7.00 nm                   |

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### **Tonight's Preview**

The Atlanta Gladiators finish their three game set against the Reading Royals this afternoon at Santander Arena.

Last night, the Royals once again defeated the Gladiators, this time by a much smaller margin, 3-2.

The Royals enter tonight's game with a home record of 18-9-0-0, while the Gladiators are 12-15-1-1 on the road.

Reading sits in second place in the north division, now just ten points behind the first place Newfoundland Growlers, while the Gladiators are still fighting for a spot in the post-season.

Following this afternoon's game, the Gladiators will return home to face another north division foe, in the Maine Mariners, this upcoming Friday. The Royals will take on the Toledo Walleye in their next game, also on Friday, the 24th.

#### Last Time Out: 3-2 Loss to the Royals

Reading opened the scoring just past the midway point of the first period to lead 1-0 (11:40).

The Royals doubled their lead to 2-0 with just over seven minutes remaining in the second period (12:50).

Reading pushed their lead to 3-0 just over eight minutes into the third period (8:15).

The Gladiators broke the Royals shutout streak midway through the third period to cut the deficit to 3-1 (12:02). Billy Constantinou wired an absolute bullet of a shot into the net for his sixth goal of the season.

With just over three minutes remaining the Gladiators pulled goaltender Tyler Harmon for the extra attacker and it paid off.

Sang-Hoon Shin knocked home a loose puck in front of the Royals net for his 25th goal of the season, making it a 3-2 hockey game (16:55). Atlanta tried but could not draw even late in the contest as Reading skated away with the victory.

Pat Nagle turned aside 38 shots in the win for Reading, meanwhile Tyler Harmon stopped 36 shots in the loss.

| South Division Standings | GP | W  | L  | OTL | SOL | PTS | GF  | GA  |
|--------------------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Jacksonville Icemen      | 60 | 36 | 20 | 3   | 1   | 76  | 191 | 171 |
| Greenville Swamp Rabbits | 61 | 34 | 19 | 7   | 1   | 76  | 204 | 184 |
| South Carolina Stingrays | 60 | 35 | 20 | 4   | 1   | 75  | 211 | 170 |
| Florida Everblades       | 59 | 33 | 18 | 4   | 4   | 74  | 196 | 174 |
| Atlanta Gladiators       | 62 | 31 | 25 | 5   | 1   | 68  | 197 | 211 |
| Orlando Solar Bears      | 63 | 29 | 26 | 7   | 1   | 66  | 199 | 223 |
| Savannah Ghost Pirates   |    | 23 | 29 | 9   | 1   | 56  | 175 | 216 |



# <u>Glads Facts</u>

#### One More in Reading

Today's game is the final meeting between the Gladiators and Royals this season, with Reading winning the previous two. Despite the defeat last night, the Gladiators looked like a much better team than they one we saw on Friday night. While the Royals were able to score one goal in each period last night, Atlanta showcased resiliency, scoring two late goals to bring the game to a 3-2 score. Unfortunately for the Gladiators, time would run out on them, falling 3-2. Can the Glads get a win this afternoon to salvage the weekend in Reading?

#### Sakellaropoulos Gets the Start!

Alex Sakellaropoulos gets the call for today's game, with Tyler Harmon starting the last five contests since joining the Gladiators. We last saw Sakellaropoulos in a relief appearance Friday night against the Royals, where surrendered four goals on 16 shots faced, in just over 35 minutes of action. Sakellaropoulos's last start came on March 4th, against the South Carolina Stingrays, a 6-1 loss.

#### Pelech Climbing the Assist Leaderboard

With his primary assist in last night's game, Mike Pelech brought his season assist total to 47, which places him fifth in the ECHL. Pelech's 59 points on the year also place him18th in overall scoring in the ECHL. Pelech's next assist will be a career high in helpers, in one season during his ECHL career, which currently sits at 47, a feat he accomplished during the 2018-2019 season, as a member of the Greenville Swamp Rabbits. The veteran is just 99 assists away from breaking the ECHL record for helpers, which is currently held by Louis Dumont, who finished his career with 566 assists. Pelech sits at 468 entering play today.

# Numbers to Know



#### Sylvester's Streak

Cody Sylvester is currently tied with Cameron Hillis of the Indy Fuel for the longest assist streak presently in the ECHL. His streak began on March 4th, against the South Carolina Stingrays, and continued last night, as he grabbed the secondary assist on Sang-Hoon Shin's 25th goal of the season. Sylvester has 42 assists entering today's game, which is a career high across all professional leagues he's played in during his career. Sylvester, along with his line mate Mike Pelech, are two of the top 20 scorers in the ECHL. Sylvester sits 12 points away from league leader in points, Hank Crone.

#### <u>2022-2023 Season Winding Down</u>

Following this afternoon's game against the Royals, the Gladiators will only have nine remaining games on their schedule. While an appearance in the 2023 Kelly Cup playoffs looks like a stretch, a win today would go a long way to getting back in the race. Atlanta has their sights squarely on the fourth place Florida Everblades, who they still have five more games against before the season comes to a close. Of the nine remaining contests, four games will be at home, while five will be on the road.

#### Scoreboard Watching

Though the Florida Everblades don't play today, the Gladiators path to the playoffs is to catch up to Florida, who currently have 74 points, sitting six points ahead of the Gladiators, for the fourth and final playoff spot in the south division. The Everblades begin a three game set, at home, starting this Wednesday night, against the first place Newfoundland Growlers out of the north division. The Gladiators return home to take on a north division opponent as well, against the Maine Mariners on Friday night. The Gladiators and Everblades have five head to head matchups to go this season.

# **Situations**

|                            | 2022-23 |   |    |   |   |   |   |
|----------------------------|---------|---|----|---|---|---|---|
| Home Record                | 19      | - | 9  | - | 4 | - | 0 |
| Away Record                | 12      | - | 16 | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| Scoring First              | 26      | - | 8  | - | 2 | - | 1 |
| Leading after one period   | 21      | - | 4  | - | 2 | - | 1 |
| Trailing after one period  | 1       | - | 15 | - | 3 | - | 0 |
| Tied after one period      | 8       | - | 7  | - | 0 | - | 0 |
| Leading after two periods  | 20      | - | 1  | - | 2 | - | 1 |
| Trailing after two periods | 2       | - | 19 | - | 1 | - | 0 |
| Tied after two periods     | 8       | - | 5  | - | 2 | - | 0 |
| One-goal games             | 12      | - | 8  | - | 5 | - | 1 |
| Outshooting opponent       | 16      | - | 11 | - | 1 | - | 1 |

#### Stat Leaders: Royals

Goals: **#9** Charlie Gerard (29) Assists: **#17** Max Newton (34) Points: **#9** Charlie Gerard (61)

#### Stat Leaders: Gladiators

Goals: **#16** Cody Sylvester (30) Assists: **#23** Mike Pelech (47) Points: **#16** Cody Sylvester (72)

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## **Team Information**

| Location           | Duluth, GA              |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Nickname           | Gladiators              |
| Colors             | Navy, Gold, Powder Blue |
| Home Arena         | Gas South Arena         |
| Capacity           | 9,200                   |
| League             | ECHL                    |
|                    |                         |
| First Season       | 1995-96 (Mobile)        |
| Total Seasons      | 26th (7 in Mobile)      |
| Seasons in Atlanta | 20th                    |