

Amateur Game Report(OHL)



Mar 07/09 Kingston Frontenacs 3 at Mississauga St. Michael's Majors 4 Terry Clark

Kingston Frontenacs

#4 Doherty, Taylor Gm. Rat. Type

Mar 02/91 RD 6.06.5 217

B A SD

Sk Sh PC Phy A/Pk HS

B A- B A B+ B

* -1, 2 PIM on night

*Top minutes, all situations, plays off side on PP (RH shot).

*Biggest defenceman in the league, good physically, but could be more intimidating.

*On for 2 PPG against.

Offense

- Has big RH shot from point. Missed net a few times though.

-Primarily a defensive player, he is competent offensively. Played off side on PP 2nd unit and let huge shot go. Never going to be a PP QB though.

-Makes decent breakout pass.

Defence

-NHL size, can play against pros right now.

-Angles wingers into the boards, holds them down low, but (at least this night) he could try to strike more fear. He has high PIM, maybe this was a low energy game at the end of the year on a last place team.

-He and Gudbranson do not play together, but give Kingston a scary core of D-men to move forward if Doherty is returned to Jr next year. He is pro ready but not NHL ready.

Overall

-As solid a defense prospect as you will find in the OHL. Wont crack an NHL lineup next year, but with decent hockey sense at 6'8 , 218 he will go high this year.

note: Listed at 6'8, I think thats an exaggeration. He doesnt appear that much taller than the 6'3 Gudbranson.

#25 Werek, Ethan Gm. Rat. Type

Jun 07/91 C 6.00.5 191

B A Sn

Sk Sh PC Phy A/Pk HS

A- B A B- C C+

*Had one goal, even +/- on night

*Power play presence.

*Strong on faceoffs tonight.

* 8-9 shifts per period

Offense

-Speedy and shifty through neutral zone and into Offensive zone

-Will zip all over the ice impressively, but seems to forget that the puck can get there faster without him. Could use teammates more, as flashy shifty moves he pulls will draw defenders away from his teammates. Carried puck out of D-zone alot rather than break out with passes.

-Lined Up on RW (LH shot) at times on PP, and very effective. Lots of PP time.

-Demonstrates quickness on the puck and a nose to score, but not alot of general attention to the game otherwise.

Defense

-ended up on ice for 1 PK shift at end of a penalty.

-Not (generally) on PK unit or used in defensive role.

-Purely offense at this point, but has the speed and skating ability to change his game if he wants to learn. A huge offensive weapon with some size, maybe playing with bad hibits at the end of the season on last place team.



Mississauga St. Michael's Majors

#10 Flemming, Brett	Gm.	Rat.	Type
Feb 26/91 RD 5.11.75 172	D	B+	OD

Sk	Sh	PC	Phy	A/Pk	HS
B+	C+	B+	B	B	B+

*had an assist and was +1, but had a brutal game.

*on offensive blueline went for big submarine hit instead of playing puck - smashed his teammate. By the time he got back into his zone it was in time to put the puck in his own net.

*Had very off game. Was removed from top pair with Cam Gaunce (replaced by Tim Billingsley) for 2nd period, back up for 3rd.

*Still had lots of PP and PK time, about 9 shifts per period.

Offense

-mobile RH defender, starts transition game for his team.

-Able and willing to rush the puck through the neutral zone or to the net, but still keeps options open (as opposed to many d-men at this level who dont look after they've decided to take off)

-Generally prefers to pass (or rush). Shot is weak, but he's working on it. Knows the importance of a weak wrister on net being more important than a big blast over the net.

-PP QB, plays off side on PP. More of a playmaker, doesnt seem to like shooting unless hes in the middle of the ice or driving it to the net.

-Looks for holes and lanes all over - to pass into or move into himself.

-Notable hand-eye.

Defense

-For a smaller D, likes physical game and plays top minutes every night against top forwards.

-Great positionally against larger forwards.

-Works well with bigger d-partner who can work the boards while he watches the net

-angles incoming wingers into the boards with precision. Good positionally, taking skating lanes away.

-Speed and strong skating ability allow him to recover from offensive risktakings.

Overall

-despite poor performance (2nd of 3 games in 3 days), a solid prospect. May slip in rank due to size, but overall game is solid.

Is the type of puck moving RH shot defenseman who is still reliable in his own end (despite size issues) everyone wants. With 2 more years of junior potentially, his strength level should augment his few weaknesses (shot and handling pro-size forwards)



#23 Smith-Pelly, Devante Gm. Rat. Type

Jun 14/92 C 5.11 180 B C- PF

Sk Sh PC Phy A/Pk HS

D+ C C+ B B- C

*Best game i've seen him play. Got more shifts than usual in 1st(6), has less in 2nd, only saw him once in the third in close game despite strong start.

*1 assist, -1 on night.

*Big hit on Taylor Doherty almost resulted in goal on turnover

*Nice pass on Wallen PPG.

*Had moments like a wrecking ball in 1st period. On the bench like a weight in the 3rd.

Offense

-showing more confidence in the offensive zone, getting in shots in close (slow release otherwise), but hes best on the boards and down low, uses his centre of gravity well. Seems to dig pucks out and send nice quick passes from the boards or behind the net.

-Does not take headman pass thru neutral zone well - rookie still working on keeping his head up?

-Not a swift or fluid skater. His biggest weakness, but he is strong on his skates. Needs work.

-Sometimes on a line with Casey Cizikas, which works well for him.

Defense

-With 4th line minutes, he's not looked to for any PK or D, but was -1.

-Not a floater, if his skating improves he could bump and bang more effectively in the defensive zone. Will win board battles, but not a swift skater.

Still developing in all areas. Gets 4th line minutes, and swings in confidence are noticeable... needs to work on skating and receiving his passes through the neutral zone

#18 Wallen, William Gm. Rat. Type

Aug 16/91 LW 5.08 170 A B- Sn

Sk Sh PC Phy A/Pk HS

B B B+ C+ B B+

1 G 2 A on night (1 PPG) +2

-taking a lot more shots, getting more shifts.

-on ice for last minute of 1 goal game.

-blocked shot, left ice briefly halfway thru 1st period - immediately came back and scored PPG.

-Had 4on4 shift, about 6 shifts per period. Had PP time. At least 4 shots on net... takes very short shifts and eyes the bench a lot .

Offense

-Has stick skills and dangle moves that cant be taught.

-Sees ice well, looks for teammates.

-Getting more confidence in his shot. Weak slap, but accurate wrist and snap, but goes high and over net too often off LW.

-Keeps feet moving, looking for lanes, and open spaces without puck.

-Looks for and makes some great passes, takes a passes in his skates very well. Playmaking abilities and can finish too.

-For a tiny player, not afraid to go into hard places and initiate contact.

-Usually plays off-wing (LW), but occasionally may roam around the ice on up ice rush.

Skating

-good level of agility and mobility, fluid skater, but not a lot of strength yet. Small and quick, gets in quickly on forecheck and will initiate contact against larger opponents.

Defence

-Commitment is there, rarely out of position.

-Will initiate contact with the biggest players despite his size. Far from a buzz-saw, but willing to be physical.

-Not on PK unit, has defensive sense and compete level, but is not large enough to be a significant asset defensively.

-An offensive player who pays diligent attention to his d-game, he has to be taller and stronger for it to help.

