

Amateur Game Report (OHL Playoffs)



Mar 21/09 Mississauga St. Michael's Majors 7 at Barrie Colts 4 Terry Clarke

Barrie Colts

#25 Archibald, Darren	Gm.	Rat.	Type
Feb 09/90 LW 6.02.75 193	A-	A-	CP

Sk	Sh	PC	Phy	A/Pk	HS
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B	B+	B	A-	B+	B+
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Bringing top game each game of series. Was 3rd star in loss much closer than 7-4 score belies... had 1G 1A, +1, on for 2 goals for (1 on PP) and none of the 7 against.

- High Compete level has been on showcase early in playoff.
- Using his left hand shot to advantage on right catch goalie JP Anderson.
- has a big body and is using it well. Already has pro size.
- Centred top PK unit, plays all 3 fwd positions, Winger on PP. Good on faceoffs.
- Solid puckhandling/puck protection skills.
- Good speed, strong stride. A power forward who can think - smart enough to be a centremen instead of just power winger.
- Sees game well, finds lanes going through neutral zone.

Mississauga St. Michael's Majors

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

OK game, had 1 assist was +2... on for 4 goals for (1 on PP, 1 EN) and 1 against tonight.

Started game in first game back from suspension (head check to Matt Duchene)... did not always play with usual partner Cam Gaunce... not weak without him, but much stronger with his usual partner... occasionally looked awkward when working with another right shot D-partner - pairs rotated as Majors only played 5 defensemen on a regular basis.

8 or so shifts per period, not always on top units in 1st game back (Wallen taken up left point on 1st PP unit, Billingsley paired w Gaunce on PK)... working him back into a lineup that didnt lose in his absence.

Fluid with puck, mobile, great transition game, skates with agility, moves well aggressive and smart positionally for a d-man who needs to add mass (but uses size and position well)... aggressive offensively on rush or a drive to the net, would like to see same confidence in shooting puck.

#18 Wallen, William	Gm.	Rat.	Type
Aug 16/91 LW 5.08 170	B	B+	Sn

Sk	Sh	PC	Phy	A/Pk	HS
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B	B	A	C+	B	A-
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-Not a bad game, even though he had some off moments - putting the hook on players more lately and getting 2pim for it

-1 assist, +1, 2 PIM tonight.

-playing as usual with Jordan Mayers.. getting about 6 shifts per period, including lots of PP time on the left point (will he get less time there with Flemming back from suspension?)

-Getting alot more shots, many from point on PP (where he likes to shoot from the middle, not the boards, onetimers or shots) but he'll drive in off the LW (uses low centre of gravity well - more leg and core strength would make little guy killer down low) and takes shots from the right side as well when he's over there... strong array of shots, slap is good for tiny guy... goes high off LW shots often.

Voted 2nd best stickhandler in OHL Eastern conference in coaches poll.



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

Jun 14/92 C 5.11 180 A C+ PF

Sk Sh PC Phy A/Pk HS

C- B- C+ B+ C+ C+

-Had a great game, +5 1G 2A. 2nd star in close game.

-getting more shifts, some PP time playing with Cizikas.

-hardworking in front of the net tonight.

Lumbering movements, still unnatural looking stride and shot... would like to see more of his shot - gets quick wrister off RW, but just never looks comfortable - switch to LW? Or would that affect his puck protection down low (a strength) negatively?

what is fitness level? - is he strong and fit, or just strong? could fitness factor into skating issues, or are they mechanical only? youngest player on team has potential and time to improve, but his skating is weak and looks unnatural currently, although he is improving and becoming more effective every game... has to skate hard to keep up with Cizikas.

Notes

Much closer game than 7-4 score would make you think (late goal broke 4-4 tie, Majors got another quick followed by EN goal)... Shots on goal 48-33 Majors.

*Brett Flemming returned from suspension

*Casey Cizikas 1st star, had great game, 2 goals, +3, 7 PIM and a 10 min misconduct.

