

GAME REPORT

Home: CV Firebirds vs. Away: ABB Canucks

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Pre-Game

The Canucks won the Calder Cup last year, but this year has not been too kind to the defending champions. Most of last year's team has either moved up the NHL club or moved on to different teams. Injuries on the NHL team has require call ups from the AHL. This includes calling up goalies from the ECHL. With all the changes and callups, the AHL Canucks have consistency issues. They are last in the Pacific division. The ended a 9-game losing streak with an over time when against the Barracuda on Wednesday, but only to turn around and lose 7-0 to the Gulls last night. Josep LaBate is the team's top goal scorer, but he has a +/- of -11 and a PMPPG is -.286. The teams total +/- is -180, and they have allowed the most goals in the AHL so far this season.

No.	PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PPG	PMPPG
29	Ben Berard	LW	14	3	5	8	-9	0.571	-0.071
14	Joseph LaBate	C	14	5	2	7	-11	0.500	-0.286
88	Nils Åman	C	12	0	7	7	-11	0.583	-0.333
45	* Sawyer Mynio	D	15	2	3	5	-7	0.333	-0.133
59	Kirill Kudryavtsev	D	10	0	5	5	-10	0.500	-0.500
92	x Vitali Kravtsov	RW	10	1	3	4	-7	0.400	-0.300
48	Jimmy Schuldt	D	14	0	4	4	-11	0.286	-0.500
39	Ty Mueller	C	14	2	1	3	-12	0.214	-0.643
63	x Max Sasson	C	2	2	0	2	2	1.000	2.000
20	x Mackenzie MacEachern	LW	7	2	0	2	-9	0.286	-1.000
46	* Vilmer Aliksson	LW	13	2	0	2	-12	0.154	-0.769
5	*x Tom Willander	D	5	1	1	2	-5	0.400	-0.600
9	Danila Klimovich	RW	13	0	2	2	-7	0.154	-0.385
21	Chase Wouters	C	13	0	2	2	-13	0.154	-0.846
62	* Nick Poisson	C	4	1	0	1	-1	0.250	0.000
71	* Josh Bloom	LW	9	1	0	1	-6	0.111	-0.556
3	* Joe Arntsen	D	15	1	0	1	-7	0.067	-0.400
93	Cooper Walker	C	1	0	1	1	1	1.000	2.000
53	*x Robby Drazner	D	2	0	1	1	-1	0.500	0.000
61	Chase Stillman	RW	6	0	1	1	-2	0.167	-0.167
52	Arnaud Durandau	LW	9	0	1	1	-5	0.111	-0.444
17	Dino Kambeitz	RW	11	0	1	1	-1	0.091	0.000
73	* Anri Ravinskis	LW	12	0	1	1	-6	0.083	-0.417

36	*x C.J. Kier	G	1	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
36	* Aku Koskenvuo	G	1	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
23	Jonathan Lekkerimäki	RW	1	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-2.000
90	x Victor Mancini	D	1	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-2.000
47	* Jake Murray	D	1	0	0	0	-1	0.000	-1.000
8	* Phip Waugh	D	1	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-2.000
75	*x Jonathan Lemieux	G	2	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
6	*x Jayden Lee	D	3	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-0.667
60	Nikita Tolopilo	G	3	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
30	x Jiří Patera	G	5	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
15	Jujhar Khaira	C	6	0	0	0	-3	0.000	-0.500
85	* Ty Young	G	6	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
56	Derek Daschke	D	8	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-0.250
89	* Jackson Kunz	C	9	0	0	0	-3	0.000	-0.333
72	Nikolai Knyzhov	D	15	0	0	0	-13	0.000	-0.867

Totals by forwards and defense:

	G	A	PTS	+/-
Forwards	19	27	46	-117
Defense	4	14	18	-63

*Note: The scoring data comes from The AHL Daily and team websites. PPG = Points / games played. PMPPG = (Points + (+/-))/games played. PMPPG is intended to include the defensive number to a player's full contribution per game. * Rookie. X – Player Not on roster, injured, or called up.*

Until last night's game, the Firebirds were on a 3-0-1 streak. They went 12 regulation periods without tailing on the scoreboard. The last game was against Condors on Tuesday in which they played the best game of the season. Facing the Condors on the road last night was the worst game of the season. After losing 6-3 on Tuesday, the Condors stepped up the physical game to flip the script to win 6-3. The Firebirds let their emotions get the best at a critical point after the Firebirds cut the score to 2-1. The Condors took over to run away with the game. The Jagger Firkus was the bright spot by getting a hat-trick, which he now leads the team with 1.308 PPG. There are going to be peaks and valleys in a long season. How it effects a young team is anyone's guess. The good news is they can turn a page with tonight's game.

No.	PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PPG	PMPPG
57	Jagger Firkus	F	13	7	10	17	0	1.308	1.308
96	Logan Morrison	F	13	8	4	12	-1	0.923	0.846
10	J.R. Avon	F	12	3	6	9	2	0.750	0.917
67	Mitchell Stephens	F	12	3	6	9	-1	0.750	0.667
78	Oscar Fisker Mølgaard	F	13	3	5	8	-4	0.615	0.308
63	Jacob Melanson	F	13	3	4	7	2	0.538	0.692

43	* Tyson Jugnauth	D	13	1	6	7	-7	0.538	0.000
47	* Kaden Hammell	D	11	2	3	5	3	0.455	0.727
29	Lleyton Roed	F	7	0	5	5	3	0.714	1.143
15	John Hayden	F	8	3	1	4	-3	0.500	0.125
16	* Carson Rehkopf	F	13	3	1	4	-5	0.308	-0.077
24	Ty Nelson	D	8	2	2	4	-3	0.500	0.125
88	David Goyette	F	13	1	3	4	-3	0.308	0.077
36	Ville Ottavainen	D	10	0	4	4	4	0.400	0.800
4	* Caden Price	D	13	0	4	4	3	0.308	0.538
68	Jakov Novak	F	7	1	2	3	1	0.429	0.571
2	* Lukas Dragicevic	D	12	1	2	3	-8	0.250	-0.417
39	x Ben Meyers	F	3	2	0	2	-4	0.667	-0.667
23	Gustav Olofsson	D	4	1	1	2	-1	0.500	0.250
21	Ian McKinnon	F	13	1	1	2	-2	0.154	0.000
35	Nikke Kokko	G	8	0	1	1	0	0.125	0.125
72	* Andrei Loshko	F	11	0	1	1	-3	0.091	-0.182
9	x Justin Janicke	F	1	0	0	0	-1	0.000	-1.000
12	Eduard Šalé	F	1	0	0	0	-2	0.000	-2.000
34	x Jackson Berezowski	C	2	0	0	0	-1	0.000	-0.500
40	* Victor Östman	G	6	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000
50	Charlie Wright	D	8	0	0	0	-1	0.000	-0.125

Totals by forwards and defense:

	G	A	PTS	+/-
Forwards	38	49	87	-22
Defense	7	22	29	-10

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Head-to-Head

This is the first of 8 meetings between these two teams. The last time they faced each other is when the Canucks eliminated the Firebirds from the playoffs last season, but the Canucks are a completely new team this year. Over the past 3 seasons, the Firebirds have dominated with a 12-3-0-1 record. Both teams are looking to turn the page from their respective losses last night. On paper, the Firebirds should be the better team, but it will be the team with the most jump and less fatigue that will prevail.

1st Period

A sluggish start for both teams. Firebirds had 3 icings in a row to start the period. Firebirds aggressiveness allowed for 2 on 1 rushes for the Canucks who didn't miss on the first 2 on 1 to take a 1 - 0 lead. Ben Berard made a simple cross ice pass that Jonathan Lekkerimäki fired past Östman. The Firebirds took some time to get really going. They got the first goal on a power play. Jacob Melanson tallied the first goal 14 minutes into the period. 4 minutes later, Jagger Firkus got a pass from Logan Morrison who drew out the goalie. Jagger had a wide-open net to give the Firebirds a 2 - 1 lead.

2nd Period

The 3rd Firebirds goal came 8-minutes into the period. Tyson Jugnauth got a pass back to the point from Oscar Fisker Mølgaard and sniped it home. The Canucks couldn't really get any chances as the Firebirds snuffed out any opportunities and kept shots to the perimeter. The Firebirds 4th goal was a thing of beauty. Jacob Melanson was left unmarked after the puck went around the boards. He sat next to the goalie, when Mitchell Stephens made a sweet pass for Jacob to flip the puck into the net.

3rd Period

For the most part, the period was pedestrian. Both teams skated up and down the ice with no real scoring threats. That all changed with less than 2 minutes to play. Firebirds were called for a slashing penalty. The Canucks won the face off and pulled their goalie. With the extra attacker, they were able to score to cut the Firebird lead in half. On the subsequent face off, the Canucks won the faceoff and pulled their goalie again. Jacob Melanson intercepted a puck and shot it all the way down into the open net to complete the hat-trick.

Post-Game

Both teams were pretty tired from their previous night's games. There wasn't much physicality in the game. On paper, the Firebirds were the better team, and eventually, they took over the game. The Firebirds lead in shots on goal and faceoff wins. The Firebirds got hat tricks on back-to-back nights. Now they get a few days off to rest before playing welcoming the Gulls on Friday and the Wranglers on Sunday. Another tough night for the Canucks. They will continue their road trip to San Jose and then off to Tucson.

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	OT	Total
Canucks	1	0	1		2
Firebirds	2	2	1		5

Full game statistic can be found on the AHL site: <https://theahl.com/stats/game-center/1027996>

Video highlights can be seen on the Firebirds' YouTube channel: [Firebirds - YouTube](#)

Team Game Stats:

	Canucks	Firebirds
Shots	18	28
PP	1 / 3	1 / 2
PIM	4	16
SH	0	0

Unofficial stats:

The following are unofficial statistics. The AHL doesn't show faceoff wins, icing, or offsides on the score sheet. I am tracking this on my own so there is a margin of error.

Icing	1st	2nd	3rd		Total
Canucks	1	0	3		4
Firebirds	4	3	1		8

Offsides	1st	2nd	3rd		Total
Canucks	0	3	1		4
Firebirds	1	1	1		3

Faceoff Wins	1st	2nd	3rd		Total
Canucks	8	7	8		23
Firebirds	11	10	8		30

The following is a breakdown of faceoff wins based on zone and player count.

	Canucks			Firebirds		
Zone	ES	PP	PK	ES	PP	PK
Attack	3	1	0	5	0	0
Neutral	9	0	0	9	0	2
Defense	8	0	2	11	1	2

ES – Even Strength

PP – Power Play

PK – Penalty Kill