



# WEEKLY RELEASE

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## COMING THIS WEEK

Wed., Apr. 2	Grand Rapids Griffins @ Toronto Marlies	7:30 pm	Ricoh Coliseum
Fri., Apr. 4	Toronto Marlies @ Manitoba Moose	8:30 pm	MTS Centre
Sat., Apr. 5	Toronto Marlies @ Manitoba Moose	8:30 pm	MTS Centre

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## **PLAYOFF BOUND MARLIES NEAR END OF SEASON**

**Host Grand Rapids on Wednesday at Ricoh Coliseum before travelling to Manitoba for tilts on Friday and Saturday evening**

## THE OPPONENTS:



### GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS

The Marlies will face-off with the Grand Rapids Griffins – AHL affiliate of the Detroit Red Wings – for the last time this season on Wednesday evening at Ricoh Coliseum. The Marlies hold a 4-3-0-0 advantage over Grand Rapids this season. The Griffins, 28-38-2-6, are currently in fifth place in the North Division and 37 points behind the Marlies for the division lead. The Marlies are the only team in the North Division that has surpassed 100 points and one of four teams in the AHL to do so. Grand Rapids has a record of 19-21-0-1 against North Division rivals this season. Griffins forward Carl Corazzini leads the team in points with 57 (23 goals, 34 assists). David Ling leads the Marlies in points with 54 (14 goals, 40 assists). Grand Rapids goaltender Jimmy Howard has a record of 20-26-2 with a 2.82 GAA and a .908 save percentage. Marlies goaltender Justin Pogge has posted a record of 24-9-4 with a 2.31 GAA and a 0.909 save percentage.

**Notables:** Griffins forward Evan McGrath played alongside Marlies forward Matt Grennier on the 2003 Memorial Cup winning Kitchener Rangers (OHL). Defenceman Kyle Quincey played under Marlies head Coach Greg Gilbert from 2003-05 with the Mississauga IceDogs (OHL). Howard has played alongside two current Marlies' players. He was on the U.S. National Under-18 Team with Robbie Earl during the 2001-02 season and he also played with Michel Leveille from 2003-2005 on the University of Maine. The Marlies are 11-9-1-0 all-time against their divisional rival.



### MANITOBA MOOSE

The Marlies make their second trip of the season to the MTS Centre to face the Manitoba Moose – AHL affiliate of the Vancouver Canucks – for games on Friday and Saturday evening. The Marlies have an advantage of 3-2-0-0 this season against the Moose. The Marlies defeated the Moose 6-1 on Saturday, snapping the Moose's 13 game point streak. The Moose, 42-25-2-4, are currently in second place in the North Division, sitting 11 points behind the Marlies for first place. They are the only other team in the North Division to have clinched a spot in the post-season. Moose forward Brad Moran leads the team with 72 points (21 goals, 51 assists) in 67 games and was recently named the AHL Player of the Week. The Marlies Ben Ondrus is coming off a big weekend in which he earned six points (three goals, three assists) in the Marlies last three games. Toronto goaltender Scott Clemmensen currently has a record of 21-12-2 with a 2.40 GAA and a .912 save percentage. Manitoba rookie goaltender Cory Schneider has posted a record of 17-10-2 with a 2.39 GAA and a .912 save percentage.

**Notables:** Moran was a teammate of David Ling and Marlies defenceman Derrick Walser on the Syracuse Crunch and Columbus Blue Jackets from 2001-04. Michael Grabner was drafted in the first round (14<sup>th</sup> overall) by the Vancouver Canucks in the 2006 NHL Entry Draft. Manitoba captain Mike Keane is a three-time Stanley Cup winner. He won with the Montreal Canadiens in 1993, the Colorado Avalanche in 1996 and the Dallas Stars in 1999. He is a veteran of 1161 NHL games where he recorded 470 points (168 goals, 302 assists). The Moose hold an all-time advantage of 6-12-2-1 over the Marlies.

## **MARLIES QUICK HITS**

- Ben Ondrus recorded the Marlies second hat-trick this season in Sunday's 6-1 win over the Lake Erie Monsters. He is currently on a three-game point streak (three goals, three assists).
- Jay Harrison, Ben Ondrus and Bates Battaglia all scored their 10<sup>th</sup> goals of the season in action this past week. The Marlies now have 11 players on their roster that have 10 goals or more which ties a franchise high, set in 2005-06, for most players with 10 goals or more.
- The Marlies have recorded at least a point in their last nine games. Their season high point streak is 13 games.

## **Rbk/VECTOR AHL PLAYER OF THE WEEK NOMINEE**

For the week ending March 31, 2008, the Toronto Marlies nominated right wing Ben Ondrus for consideration as the Rbk/Vector AHL Player of the Week. A native of Sherwood Park, Alberta, Ondrus recorded six points (three goals, three assists) in the four games he played last week, including a hat-trick on Sunday. This week's award was ultimately won by Manitoba's Brad Moran.

## **MARLIES IN THE COMMUNITY**

Duke the Dog participated in the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Lakeshore Lions Facility on March 26 in Etobicoke. The Goal is Fun! program travelled to the Milton Sports Centre on March 28 and Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Complex on March 29. On March 30, Duke appeared at the Kids Show that was held at the Toronto Congress Centre.

## **MARLIES ON THE WEB**

Follow the Marlies all season long on their official web site, [torontomarlies.com](http://torontomarlies.com)

## **LAST WEEK'S RESULTS**

Wednesday, March 26, 2008

### **Syracuse Crunch defeat Toronto Marlies 3-2**

Marlies Goals: Harrison (1g) (PP), Muir (1g) (PP)  
Crunch Goals: Brassard (1g), Rycroft (1g)  
Shootout Winner: David Cullen  
Shots on Goal: Marlies: 41, Crunch: 20  
Penalty Minutes: Marlies: 28, Crunch: 22  
Goaltender (saves): Marlies: -Clemmensen (17 svs, 2 ga)  
Crunch: -Goehring (39 svs, 2 ga)  
Three Stars: 1) Karl Goehring SYR 2) David Cullen SYR 3) Dan Smith SYR  
Attendance: (4,735 at Oncenter in Syracuse, NY)

Friday, March 28, 2008

### **Toronto Marlies defeat Lake Erie Monsters 4-1**

Marlies Goals: Aubin (1g), Harrington (1g) (GWG), Foster (1g, 2a), Murphy (1g, 2a)  
Monsters Goals: Lundmark (1g)  
Shots on Goal: Marlies: 28, Monsters: 23  
Penalty Minutes: Marlies: 18, Monsters: 16  
Goaltender (saves): Marlies: -Pogge (22 svs, 1 ga)  
Monsters: -Wall (24 svs, 4 ga)  
Three Stars: 1) Alex Foster TOR 2) Colin Murphy TOR 3) Derrick Walser TOR  
Attendance: (14,343 at Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland, OH)

Saturday, March 29, 2008

### **Toronto Marlies defeat Manitoba Moose 6-1**

Marlies Goals: Ling (1g, 1a) (PP), Muir (1g, 1a) (GWG), Harrison (1g, 1a) (PP), Mitchell (1g), Battaglia (1g) (PP), Earl (1g, 2a) (PP)  
Moose Goals: Grabner (1g) (PP)  
Shots on Goal: Marlies: 30, Moose: 32  
Penalty Minutes: Marlies: 16, Moose: 28  
Goaltender (saves): Marlies: -Clemmensen (31 svs, 1 ga)  
Moose: -MacIntyre (24 svs, 6 ga)  
Three Stars: 1) Robbie Earl TOR 2) Scott Clemmensen TOR 3) Ben Ondrus TOR  
Attendance: (3,981 at Ricoh Coliseum in Toronto)

Sunday, March 30, 2008

### **Toronto Marlies defeat Lake Erie Monsters 6-1**

Marlies Goals: Ondrus (3g) (GWG), Wellar (1g, 1a), Wozniowski (1g), Battaglia (1g)  
Monsters Goals: Lundmark (1g)  
Shots on Goal: Marlies: 34, Monsters: 28  
Penalty Minutes: Marlies: 0, Monsters: 0  
Goaltender (saves): Marlies: -Pogge (27 svs, 1 ga)  
Monsters: -Wall (28 svs, 6 ga)  
Three Stars: 1) Ben Ondrus TOR 2) Robbie Earl TOR 3) Patrick Wellar TOR  
Attendance: (4,059 at Ricoh Coliseum in Toronto)

## Standings

### Eastern Conference

#### Atlantic Division

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM	Home	Road	P10	Streak
1	x Providence Bruins	73	50	16	3	4	107	0.733	261	193	1418	25-7-1-3	25-9-2-1	7-1-0-2	2-0-0-1
2	x Hartford Wolf Pack	74	46	19	2	7	101	0.682	247	184	1495	23-11-1-3	23-8-1-4	8-1-0-1	7-0-0-1
3	x Portland Pirates	75	43	26	2	4	92	0.613	227	206	1340	26-10-1-1	17-16-1-3	4-6-0-0	1-0-0-0
4	Manchester Monarchs	74	35	30	5	4	79	0.534	220	217	1322	16-16-2-3	19-14-3-1	7-2-1-0	1-0-0-0
5	Springfield Falcons	73	32	31	5	5	74	0.507	196	233	1449	21-12-3-1	11-19-2-4	4-6-0-0	0-1-0-0
6	Worcester Sharks	72	27	34	5	6	65	0.451	195	236	1240	14-14-3-4	13-20-2-2	2-7-1-0	0-4-1-0
7	Lowell Devils	73	24	38	7	4	59	0.404	171	244	998	13-19-3-2	11-19-4-2	4-6-0-0	2-0-0-0

#### East Division

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM	Home	Road	P10	Streak
1	Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins	73	44	26	0	3	91	0.623	200	167	1323	21-13-0-1	23-13-0-2	8-2-0-0	2-0-0-0
2	Philadelphia Phantoms	73	42	25	3	3	90	0.616	216	190	1649	23-11-0-2	19-14-3-1	4-5-1-0	0-1-0-0
3	Albany River Rats	74	40	27	3	4	87	0.588	195	180	1330	23-12-1-2	17-15-2-2	4-3-2-1	0-1-1-0
4	Hershey Bears	74	38	30	1	5	82	0.554	227	228	1591	22-11-0-3	16-19-1-2	5-5-0-0	0-1-0-0
5	Binghamton Senators	74	33	28	8	5	79	0.534	212	227	1492	19-12-4-2	14-16-4-3	5-1-3-1	0-1-0-1
6	Bridgeport Sound Tigers	72	37	31	1	3	78	0.542	197	207	1620	22-13-0-2	15-18-1-1	4-4-0-2	0-1-0-1
7	Norfolk Admirals	74	26	41	2	5	58	0.399	199	253	1461	17-18-1-2	9-23-1-3	3-7-0-0	1-0-0-0

### Western Conference

#### North Division

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM	Home	Road	P10	Streak
1	x Toronto Marlies	73	46	18	3	6	101	0.692	223	184	1339	24-8-1-3	22-10-2-3	8-1-0-1	8-0-0-1
2	x Manitoba Moose	73	42	25	2	4	90	0.616	211	178	1316	20-12-1-3	22-13-1-1	8-1-0-1	0-1-0-1
3	Syracuse Crunch	73	39	26	2	6	86	0.589	213	191	1904	23-9-1-3	16-17-1-3	9-0-0-1	13-0-0-3
4	Hamilton Bulldogs	73	32	32	3	6	73	0.500	184	213	1144	15-16-2-3	17-16-1-3	1-7-1-1	1-0-0-0
5	Grand Rapids Griffins	74	28	38	2	6	64	0.432	196	229	1238	16-17-1-3	12-21-1-3	2-7-0-1	0-2-0-1
6	Lake Erie Monsters	74	25	36	6	7	63	0.428	195	254	1428	12-17-4-3	13-19-2-4	3-5-2-0	0-4-1-0
7	Rochester Americans	73	23	40	6	4	56	0.384	177	251	1330	15-15-3-3	8-25-3-1	5-3-2-0	3-0-0-0

#### West Division

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA	PIM	Home	Road	P10	Streak
1	x Chicago Wolves	72	48	19	2	3	101	0.701	268	199	1625	26-9-1-1	22-10-1-2	4-5-0-1	1-0-0-0
2	Rockford IceHogs	74	40	24	4	6	90	0.608	227	212	1918	20-13-1-2	20-11-3-4	6-4-0-0	1-0-0-0
3	Milwaukee Admirals	73	41	27	3	2	87	0.596	216	195	1086	23-12-1-1	18-15-2-1	8-2-0-0	3-0-0-0
4	Houston Aeros	72	40	26	2	4	86	0.597	196	172	1343	21-14-1-2	19-12-1-2	6-3-0-1	1-0-0-1
5	San Antonio Rampage	72	38	24	3	7	86	0.597	216	201	1667	21-11-2-2	17-13-1-5	4-6-0-0	2-0-0-0
6	Peoria Rivermen	73	36	28	4	5	81	0.555	225	214	1348	16-15-2-3	20-13-2-2	4-5-0-1	0-1-0-0
7	Quad City Flames	72	33	30	2	7	75	0.521	185	194	1404	13-17-2-4	20-13-0-3	4-6-0-0	0-3-0-0
8	Iowa Stars	73	33	34	4	2	72	0.493	197	230	1066	15-19-2-1	18-15-2-1	5-4-1-0	0-1-0-0

**x = Teams who have clinched a playoff position. y = Teams who have clinched first-place in the division.**

### Recent Games

Sunday, Mar 30

Hartford 4 at Bridgeport 3 Final SO

Grand Rapids 4 at Chicago 6 Final

Manchester 5 at Hershey 2 Final

Houston 3 at Milwaukee 4 Final SO

Hamilton 5 at Philadelphia 3 Final

Albany 0 at Portland 2 Final

Worcester 3 at Providence 5 Final

Binghamton 3 at Rochester 4 Final SO

Iowa 2 at Rockford 3 Final

Lake Erie 1 at Toronto 6 Final

### Upcoming Games

Tuesday, Apr 1

Quad City at Iowa 7:07 PM CDT

Chicago at Manitoba 7:30 PM CDT

Wednesday, Apr 2

Houston at Lake Erie 7:00 PM EDT

Binghamton at Syracuse 7:00 PM EDT

Worcester at Springfield 7:00 PM EDT

Milwaukee at San Antonio 7:00 PM CDT

Norfolk at Philadelphia 7:05 PM EDT

Bridgeport at Manchester 7:05 PM EDT

Albany at W-B/Scranton 7:05 PM EDT

Chicago at Manitoba 7:30 PM CDT

Grand Rapids at Toronto 7:30 PM EDT



**TORONTO TEAM STATISTICS**

**Through Games of 03/31/2008**

No.	PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	GT	FG	OT	UG	SHOTS	PCT
17	Ling, David	RW	64	14	41	55	-3	171	4	0	2	0	1	0	1	132	10.6
38	Walser, Derrick	D	73	16	29	45	8	82	7	0	4	0	3	2	1	176	9.1
10	Earl, Robbie	LW	62	14	30	44	13	52	3	3	2	0	2	0	3	175	8.0
79	Mitchell, John	C	72	18	24	42	-6	56	6	0	3	0	3	0	0	148	12.2
23	Foster, Alex	C	60	16	26	42	18	24	0	5	3	0	3	0	2	127	12.6
11	Newbury, Kris	C	50	15	25	40	12	95	1	1	4	0	2	0	0	128	11.7
44	Murphy, Colin	LW	64	11	24	35	-1	148	1	0	1	0	3	1	2	145	7.6
19	Williams, Jeremy	RW	49	18	15	33	-5	36	4	0	7	0	4	1	2	121	14.9
47	XBoyce, Darryl	C	41	8	16	24	18	71	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	98	8.2
33	Battaglia, Bates	LW	49	11	12	23	-7	34	4	0	1	0	5	0	0	69	15.9
25	Ondrus, Ben	RW	52	12	10	22	19	61	2	3	4	0	2	0	1	93	12.9
18	Aubin, Brent	RW	69	9	12	21	8	67	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	131	6.9
20	Harrison, Jay	D	62	11	9	20	1	50	10	0	2	0	2	0	0	120	9.2
2	Muir, Bryan	D	44	4	14	18	22	50	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	86	4.7
3	Harrington, Chris	D	66	8	9	17	0	31	2	1	2	0	1	0	1	96	8.3
	Wozniowski, Andy	D	26	7	9	16	9	16	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	53	13.2
37	Leveille, Michel	LW	40	9	3	12	-2	14	3	0	1	0	3	0	0	65	13.8
6	XStralman, Anton	D	21	0	11	11	3	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0.0
4	Oreskovic, Phil	D	47	1	8	9	12	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	3.3
41	XTlusty, Jiri	LW	10	3	5	8	4	8	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	17	17.6
	Tsimikalis, Peter	C	26	2	6	8	3	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	24	8.3
26	Sifers, Jaime	D	73	1	7	8	9	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	1.5
9	Gamache, Simon	LW	17	4	3	7	2	10	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	16	25.0
	Doig, Tyler	C	21	3	4	7	8	11	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	22	13.6
77	Kronwall, Staffan	D	22	2	4	6	7	14	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	26	7.7
	Taylor, Max	C	13	2	3	5	1	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	5.7
21	Cashman, Reid	D	8	0	3	3	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0.0
16	XSalmelainen, Tony	LW	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	28.6
5	Wellar, Patrick	D	15	1	1	2	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	7.7
30	Clemmensen, Scott	G	36	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Perry, Todd	D	8	0	1	1	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.0
34	XFord, Todd	G	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Miles, Jeff	RW	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	XColaiacovo, Carlo	D	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.0
8	Perrott, Nathan	RW	4	0	0	0	-1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0
	Grennier, Matt	C	7	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.0
1	Pogge, Justin	G	38	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	BENCH		73					14									
	TOTALS		73	224	366	590		1339	53	16	47	0	41	5	15	2281	9.8
	OPPONENT TOTALS		73	183	302	485		1270	46	6	23	0	32	3	12	1939	9.4

No.	SPCT	GPI	MIN	AVG	W	L	OTL	SOL	EN	SHO	SOG	SOA	GA	SAVES	
	XFord, Todd	1	59:57	1.00	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	0.933
1	Pogge, Justin	38	2235:18	2.31	24	8	1	4	2	3	12	24	86	863	0.909
30	Clemmensen, Scott	36	2125:45	2.40	22	10	2	1	4	1	6	17	85	879	0.912
	TEAM TOTALS	73	4433:05	2.48	47	18	3	5	6	4	18	41	183	1756	0.906



**TORONTO MARLIES  
OFFICIAL ROSTER AS OF 4/1/2008**

<u>NO</u>	<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>POS</u>
2	Bryan Muir	D
3	Chris Harrington	D
4	Phil Oreskovic	D
5	Patrick Wellar	D
10	Robbie Earl	LW
17	David Ling	RW
18	Brent Aubin	RW
20	Jay Harrison	D
22	Matt Grennier	C
25	Ben Ondrus	RW
26	Jaime Sifers	D
27	Kyle Rogers	RW
28	Tyler Doig	C
33	Bates Battaglia	LW
37	Michel Leveille	LW
38	Derrick Walser	D
43	Peter Tsimikalis	C
44	Colin Murphy	LW
56	Andy Wozniewski	D
79	John Mitchell	C
1	Justin Pogge	G
30	Scott Clemmensen	G

General Manager: Mike Penny  
Head Coach: Greg Gilbert  
Assistant Coach: Joe Paterson  
Assistant Coach: Jim Hughes  
Head Athletic Trainer: Chris Davie  
Equipment Manager: Brad Harrison  
NHL Affiliate: Toronto Maple Leafs



GRAND RAPIDS TEAM STATISTICS

Through Games of 03/31/2008

Table with columns: No., PLAYER, POS, GP, G, A, PTS, +/-, PIM, PP, SH, GW, GT, FG, OT, UG, SHOTS, PCT. Lists player statistics for Grand Rapids Griffins.

Table with columns: No., SPCT, GPI, MIN, AVG, W, L, OTL, SOL, EN, SHO, SOG, SOA, GA, SAVES. Summary statistics for Grand Rapids Griffins.



MANITOBA TEAM STATISTICS

Through Games of 03/31/2008

Table with columns: No., PLAYER, POS, GP, G, A, PTS, +/-, PIM, PP, SH, GW, GT, FG, OT, UG, SHOTS, PCT. Lists player statistics for Manitoba Moose.

Table with columns: No., SPCT, GPI, MIN, AVG, W, L, OTL, SOL, EN, SHO, SOG, SOA, GA, SAVES. Summary statistics for Manitoba Moose.