# 2023 WASHINGTON CAPITALS ROOKIE CAMP

# Sept. 16 | MedStar Capitals Iceplex | Arlington, VA

# Sept. 17-19 | McMullen Hockey Arena | Annapolis, MD

# **CAPITALS ROOKIE CAMP INFORMATION**

The Washington Capitals will hold their 2023 Rookie Camp from Sept. 16-19 at MedStar Capitals Iceplex and the John McMullen Hockey Arena in Annapolis, Md. Camp will begin on Saturday, Sept. 16 at MedStar Capitals Iceplex before shifting to McMullen Hockey Arena, located near the campus of the United States Naval Academy, for on-ice sessions in Annapolis from Sept. 17-19. The rookie camp will feature Capitals prospects who are under contract and recent Capitals' draft picks who have not been signed yet. In addition, several undrafted and free agent amateur players will be in attendance. All on-ice sessions at MedStar Capitals Iceplex and McMullen Hockey Arena will be open to the public and free of charge.

A total of 21 players (11 forwards, six defensemen, four goaltenders) are scheduled to take part in this year's rookie camp, including 12 Caps draft picks.

The Capitals will officially open their 2023 Training Camp on Thursday, Sept. 21 at MedStar Capitals Iceplex. All Capitals players, coaches and management will be available to the media. Additional information on media availability and in-person access will be announced at a later date. Similar to previous years, MedStar Capitals Iceplex will be closed to the media on Wednesday, Sept. 20 – the day Capitals veterans conduct physicals and off-ice testing. The complete training camp schedule and roster will be announced at a later date.

# **CAPITALS ROOKIE CAMP NOTES**

**Reporting For Duty** – The Capitals will hold on-ice sessions at McMullen Hockey Arena, located near the campus of the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., from Sunday, Sept. 17 to Tuesday, Sept. 19. In 2018, the Capitals hosted the Toronto Maple Leafs in a regular-season outdoor game played at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, home of the NCAA Division I, Navy Midshipmen. Washington defeated the Maple Leafs 5-2 in front of a crowd of 29,516. During Washington's 2014 training camp the team visited the Naval Academy, where they attended Noon Meal Formation and ate lunch with the midshipmen.

**Crab Cakes & Hockey** – The Capitals played their home games at the Capital Centre in Landover, Md. from 1974 to 1997, before moving to the MCI Center (now Capital One Arena) in Washington, D.C. Prior to the opening of MedStar Capitals Iceplex in 2006, the Capitals practiced at Piney Orchard Ice Arena in Odenton, Md.

**Draft Class** – Four picks from the Capitals' 2023 NHL Draft class will attend this year's Rookie Camp – forwards Andrew Cristall (40th overall), Patrick Thomas (104th overall), Brett Hyland (200th overall) and goaltender Antoine Keller (206th overall). Thirteen of the 18 participants in this year's camp are Capitals' draft picks (also Mitchell Gibson: 124th overall in 2018; Hendrix Lapierre: 22nd overall in 2020; Bogdan Trineyev: 117th overall in 2020; Vincent Iorio: 55th overall in 2021; Garin Bjorklund: 179th overall in 2020; Ivan Miroshnichenko: 20th overall in 2022; Alexander Suzdalev: 70th overall in 2022; Jake Karabela: 149th overall in 2022; Ryan Hofer: 181st overall in 2022).



# CAPITALS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 16 – Start of Capitals Rookie Camp 11:30 a.m. - Goalies on ice (MedStar Capitals Iceplex) 12-1:15 p.m. - Practice (MedStar Capitals Iceplex) Post-practice - Media availability

# Sunday, Sept. 17

9 a.m. - Goalies on ice (McMullen Hockey Arena) 9:30-10:45 a.m. - Practice (McMullen Hockey Arena) Post-practice - Media availability

## Monday, Sept. 18

9 a.m. - Goalies on ice (McMullen Hockey Arena) 9:30-10:45 a.m. - Practice (McMullen Hockey Arena) Post-practice - Media availability

## Tuesday, Sept. 19 – Final Day of Capitals Rookie Camp

9 a.m. - Goalies on ice (McMullen Hockey Arena) 9:30-10:45 a.m. - Practice (McMullen Hockey Arena) Post-practice - Media availability

## Wednesday, Sept. 20

NHL players physicals/testing - no media availability *MedStar Capitals Iceplex closed to the public* 

#### Thursday, Sept. 21

2023 Caps Media Day, MedStar Capitals Iceplex

#### Sunday, Sept. 24 – First Preseason Game

2 p.m. - Washington vs. Buffalo, Capital One Arena

\*All practice times and media availability sessions are approximate and subject to change.

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**Calder Cup Champs** – Seven 2022 Rookie Camp participants, including Hendrix Lapierre, Vincent Iorio, Ethen Frank, Henrik Rybinski and Clay Stevenson, all went on to appear in games with the Hershey Bears during the 2022-23 season. Lapierre, Iorio and Frank all played in Game 7 of the Calder Cup Finals against the Coachella Valley Firebirds, with Iorio recording the primary assist on Lapierre's game-tying goal in the second period, while Frank earned the secondary assist on Mike Vecchione's Calder Cup-clinching goal in overtime.

First Rounders - Two of Washington's recent first round draft picks will be at this year's rookie camp, Ivan Miroshnichenko (20th overall, 2022) and Hendrix Lapierre (22nd overall, 2020). 2023 first-round pick Ryan Leonard, who is currently enrolled at Boston College, will not be in attendance. Miroshnichenko recorded four points (3g, 1a) in 23 games with Avangard Omsk in the Kontinental Hockey League (KHL) last season, where he averaged 8:27 of ice time per game. The 6'1", 185-pound forward also recorded three assists in four games with Omskie Krylia in the Supreme Hockey League (Russia-2) and 14 points (10g, 4a) in 12 games with Omskie Yastreby in the Junior Hockey League (Russia-Jr.) in 2022-23. Miroshnichenko tallied seven points (2g, 5a) in 16 playoffs games with Omskie Yastreby, which ranked tied for eighth on the team. Miroshnichenkosigned a three-year entry-level contract with Washington on May 1. Lapierre appeared in 60 games during his first professional season with Hershey in 2022-23, recording 30 points (15g, 15a). The 6'0", 189-pound forward ranked second among Hershey rookies in goals, points, power play points (10) and shots (114). In addition, Lapierre ranked third on the Bears in power-play goals (5). The Gatineau, Quebec native added six points (3q, 3a) in 20 playoff games, including the game-tying goal in Game 7 of the Calder Cup Finals. Lapierre made his NHL debut and scored his first career goal vs. the New York Rangers on Oct. 13, 2021, becoming the first Capitals rookie since 2014-15 to make his NHL debut at the age of 19 and the fifth-youngest player in franchise history to score in his debut.



The Capitals selected left wing Andrew Cristall with the 40th overall pick in the 2023 NHL Draft.

**Making The Leap** – 2023 rookie camp attendee Vincent Iorio appeared in three games with the Capitals in 2022-23, making his NHL debut on March 4 against the San Jose Sharks. Iorio recorded an assist on an Alex Ovechkin goal in his first game, becoming the 10th defenseman in franchise history to record a point in his NHL debut and the fifth skater to have his first career point be an assist on an Ovechkin goal.

**Seasoned Rookies** – Hendrix Lapierre (1g-1a–1p in 6 GP) and Vincent Iorio (0g-1a–1p) are the only players with NHL experience participating in the 2023 Capitals Rookie Camp.

**Get Gibby With It** – Goaltender Mitchell Gibson, who completed his collegiate career at Harvard in March, is participating in his first rookie camp with the Capitals. Gibson signed an amateur tryout agreement (ATO) with Washington after his collegiate season ended and served as the backup goaltender for the Capitals' game vs. the New York Rangers on April 2, before signing a one-year NHL entry-level contract for the 2023-24 season on April 7.

**Homecoming** – Ashburn, Virginia native Ryan Leibold is attending the Capitals' 2023 Rookie Camp. Leibold, who also attended Washington's 2023 Development Camp in July, trained at MedStar Capitals Iceplex during his youth and was a participant in Washington's Little Caps program. Leibold signed an ECHL contract with the South Carolina Stingrays on March 28, where he recorded four points (1g, 3a) in nine games.

**Hello Again** – Twelve rookie camp participants also attended Washington's Development Camp in July.



Ivan Miroshnichenko, who was Washington's first pick (20th overall) at the 2022 NHL Draft, will be participating in his first Capitals Rookie Camp.

# **2023 ROOKIE CAMP ROSTER**

NUMERICAL ROSTER									
No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Acquired	2022-23 Team	League
2	VINCENT IORIO	D	6′4″	205	Nov. 14, 2002	Coquitlam, British Columbia	2021 Draft, 2nd rd, 55th overall	Hershey	AHL
14	ALEXANDER SUZDALEV	LW	6'2"	181	March 5, 2004	Khabarovsk, Russia	2022 Draft, 3rd rd, 70th overall	Regina	WHL
28	ANDREW CRISTALL	LW	5′10″	175	Nov. 14, 2002	Vancouver, British Columbia	2023 Draft, 2nd rd, 40th overall	Kelowna	WHL
29	HENDRIX LAPIERRE	С	6'0"	189	Feb. 9, 2002	Gatineau, Quebec	2020 Draft, 1st rd, 22nd overall	Hershey	AHL
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40	JON McDONALD	D	6′0″	181	June 15, 1998	Livonia, Michigan	Invitee	UMass-Lowell	NCAA
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97	RYAN LEIBOLD	С	5′10″	194	Nov. 3, 1998	Ashburn, Virginia	Invitee	Merrimack	NCAA

# ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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# **2023 ROOKIE CAMP PLAYER BIOS**



## GARIN BJORKLUND | G | #80

Drafted by Washington in the sixth round, 179th overall, in the 2020 NHL Draft

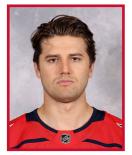
Bjorklund was limited to one game with South Carolina in 2022-23 due to injury. The 6'2", 180-pound goaltender made his professional debut on April 15 vs. Jacksonville, making 24 saves and stopping three of four shootout attempts to earn his first career win.



#### ANDREW CRISTALL | LW | #28

#### Drafted by Washington in the second round, 40th overall, in the 2023 NHL Draft

Cristall, 18, spent the 2022-23 season with the Kelowna Rockets of the Western Hockey League (WHL), leading the team in goals (39), assists (56) and points (95). Cristall's 1.76 points-per-game rate ranked fourth in the WHL, while his 95 points ranked tied for sixth. Cristall was named Kelowna's team MVP and was selected to the WHL B.C. Division First All-Star Team. The Vancouver, British Columbia native won a gold medal with Canada at the 2022 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, finishing the tournament with six points (1g, 5a) in five games. In addition, Cristall served as an alternate captain at the 2023 Under-18 World Championship, where he registered six points (2g, 4a) in seven games and helped Canada to the bronze medal.



#### MITCHELL GIBSON | G | #78

#### Drafted by Washington in the fourth round, 124th overall, in the 2018 NHL Draft

Gibson appeared in 27 games for Harvard University (NCAA) in 2022-23, posting a record of 18-7-2 with a 2.25 goalsagainst average, a .919 save percentage and three shutouts. The 6'1", 187-pound goaltender ranked third among ECAC goaltenders in goals-against average and save percentage. Gibson, who helped guide Harvard to its second-straight NCAA Tournament appearance, was named to the All-ECAC Hockey Second Team. Gibson served as the backup goaltender for the Capitals' game vs. the New York Rangers on April 2 after signing an amateur tryout agreement (ATO). The Capitals signed Gibson to a one-year NHL entry-level contract for the 2023-24 season on April 7.



### CONNOR HALL D #68

#### Invitee

Hall recorded single-season career highs in goals (5), assists (8), points (13), penalty minutes (109) and games played (30) in his fourth year at the University of New Brunswick (USports) in 2022-23. The 6'2", 203-pound defenseman helped lead the Reds to the 2023 University Cup title before joining the South Carolina Stingrays (ECHL), where he recorded four points (1g, 3a) in eight games. Hall, who re-signed with South Carolina for the 2023-24 season, recorded 23 points (3g, 20a) in 115 career games with the Kitchener Rangers of the Ontario Hockey League from 2015-19. Hall was drafted by the Pittsburgh Penguins in the third round (77th overall) of the 2016 NHL Draft.



#### RYAN HOFER | LW | #84

#### Drafted by Washington in the sixth round, 181st overall, in the 2022 NHL Draft

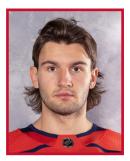
Hofer recorded 68 points (40g, 28a) in 66 regular-season games with the Kamloops Blazers and Everett Silvertips of the Western Hockey League (WHL) in 2022-23. Hofer, who was traded from Everett to Kamloops on Jan. 8, ranked tied for eighth in the WHL in goals, fourth in shots (278), tied for fourth in faceoff wins (832) and 10th in penalty minutes (112). The 6'3", 192-pound forward added 15 points (8g, 7a) in 14 WHL playoff games, helping Kamloops reach the Western Conference Championship series. Hofer recorded five points (2g, 3a) in four games at the 2023 Memorial Cup for host Kamloops, which ranked tied for second most on his team. The Capitals signed Hofer to a three-year entry level contract March 1.



## BRETT HYLAND | C | #59

Drafted by Washington in the seventh round, 200th overall, in the 2023 NHL Draft

Hyland, 20, recorded a career-high 47 points (26g, 21a) in 42 games with the Brandon Wheat Kings of the WHL last season. Hyland, who served as an alternate captain for Brandon in 2022-23, led the team in plus/minus (+11), ranked second in points-per-game (1.12), tied for second in power-play goals (11), third in goals and fourth in points. In 129 career WHL games with Brandon, the 5'11", 188-pound forward has recorded 86 points (43g, 43a).



## VINCENT IORIO | D | #2

#### Drafted by Washington in the second round, 55th overall, in the 2021 NHL Draft

lorio, the Capitals' second-round choice, 55th overall, in the 2021 NHL Draft, recorded 22 points (2g, 20a) in 63 regularseason games with the Hershey Bears of the American Hockey League (AHL) in 2022-23. The Coquitlam, British Columbia native ranked second among Hershey defensemen in assists, points, games played, shots (86) and plus/minus rating (+17). In 15 Calder Cup Playoff games, lorio registered five points (1g, 4a), including an assist in Game 7 of the Calder Cup Finals at Coachella Valley. Iorio, who also appeared in three games with Washington last season, made his NHL debut and recorded his first career point on March 4 against the San Jose Sharks.



# JAKE KARABELA | C | #95

#### Drafted by Washington in the fifth round, 149th overall, in the 2022 NHL Draft

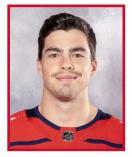
The 5'11", 172-pound forward recorded 39 points (18g, 21a) in 68 games with the Guelph Storm (OHL) last season. Karabela ranked second on Guelph in shorthanded goals (2), third in power play goals (7) and sixth in points. Karabela added three goals in six OHL playoff games, which were the second most on the team.



# ANOTINE KELLER | G | #60

#### Drafted by Washington in the seventh round, 206th overall, in the 2023 NHL Draft

Keller, 18, spent the majority of his 2022-23 season Genève-Servette's U-20 team (Switzerland), where he posted an 8-13-2 record with a 3.40 goals-against average. The 6'3", 176-pound goaltender also appeared in five games with HCV Martigny of MyHockey League in Switzerland, posting a 2-1-1 record with a 2.42 goals-against average. Keller, who was born in Dijon, France, recorded a 2.71 goals-against average and a .921 save percentage with one shutout in three games for France at the 2023 IIHF Ice Hockey U-20 World Championship Division I, Group A. Keller is the second French-born goaltender to be selected in an NHL Draft, following former Capital Cristobal Huet (214th overall by Los Angeles in 2001).



## HENDRIX LAPIERRE C #29

#### Drafted by Washington in the first round, 22nd overall, in the 2020 NHL Draft

Lapierre appeared in 60 games during his first professional season with Hershey in 2022-23, recording 30 points (15g, 15a). The 6'0", 189-pound forward ranked second among Hershey rookies in goals, points, power play points (10) and shots (114). In addition, Lapierre ranked third on the Bears in power-play goals (5). The Gatineau, Quebec native added six points (3g, 3a) in 20 playoff games, including the game-tying goal in Game 7 of the Calder Cup Finals. Lapierre, the Capitals' first-round choice, 22nd overall, in the 2020 NHL Draft, has scored one goal and posted a +2 plus/minus rating in six career NHL games with Washington.



## RYAN LEIBOLD | C | #97

#### Invitee

Leibold, who transferred to Merrimack College after playing for four years at the College of the Holy Cross, recorded 12 points (5g, 7a) in 38 games in 2022-23. The 5'10", 194-pound forward ranked fifth on Merrimack in shots (65), seventh in blocked shots (29) and tied for eighth in goals. Leibold signed an ECHL contract with the South Carolina Stingrays on March 28, where he recorded four points (1g, 3a) in nine games. The Ashburn, Virginia native trained at MedStar Capitals Iceplex during his youth and was a participant in Washington's Little Caps program.



## NICK LEIVERMANN | D | #76

#### Invitee

Leivermann recorded 20 points (6g, 14a) in 29 games with Notre Dame (NCAA) last season, serving as team captain. The 5'11", 185-pound defenseman was a 2023 All-Big Ten honorable mention and a Hobey Baker Memorial Award nominee. Leivermann, who was originally drafted by the Colorado Avalanche in the seventh round (187th overall) of the 2017 NHL Draft, finished his collegiate career with 78 points (23g, 55a) in 147 games. Leivermann signed an AHL contract with the Hershey Bears on July 20, 2023.



## ADAM McCORMICK | D | #71

Invitee

McCormick recorded 24 points (7g, 17a) in 26 games with the University of New Brunswick (USports) in 2022-23. McCormick led Reds' defensemen in goals and ranked second among the team's blueliners in points and tied for second in assists. Along with fellow Capitals Rookie Camp attendee Connor Hall, McCormick captured the 2023 University Cup with the University of New Brunswick in March. In 262 career Quebec Major Junior Hockey League (QMJHL) games with the Cape Breton Eagles and Acadie-Bathurst Titan from 2016-21, McCormick recorded 152 points (29g, 123a).



## JON MCDONALD | D | #40

#### Invitee

McDonald led UMass-Lowell in assists (17) and led the team's defensemen in points (20) in 35 games played during the 2022-23 season. McDonald, who served as team captain, was named to the Hockey East Third All-Star Team and was voted the Defensive Player of the Year by his teammates for the fourth-straight season. The Livonia, Michigan native finished his collegiate career with 62 points (10g, 52a) in 145 games. McDonald, who signed with the South Carolina Stingrays (ECHL) for the 2023-24 season on Aug. 3, recorded three assists in 10 games with the Toledo Walleye in 2022-23.



## SPENCER MEIER | D | #81

#### Invitee

Meier recorded nine points (3g, 6a) in 32 games with St. Cloud State University in 2022-23. Meier, who served as team captain for three of his five seasons at St. Cloud State, was named the NCHC Sportsmanship Award recipient for his dedication to his program and community, on and off the ice, and helped guide the Huskies to the NCHC championship. The 6'4", 207-pound defenseman recorded 62 points (17g, 45a) in 171 career games with St. Cloud State, the third-most games played in program history.



## IVAN MIROSHNICHENKO | LW | #63

Drafted by Washington in the first round, 20th overall, in the 2022 NHL Draft

The 6'1", 185-pound forward recorded four points (3g, 1a) in 23 games with Avangard Omsk in the Kontinental Hockey League (KHL) last season, where he averaged 8:27 of ice time per game. Miroshnichenko also recorded three assists in four games with Omskie Krylia in the Supreme Hockey League (Russia-2) and 14 points (10g, 4a) in 12 games with Omskie Yastreby in the Junior Hockey League (Russia-Jr.) in 2022-23. Miroshnichenko tallied seven points (2g, 5a) in 16 playoffs games with Omskie Yastreby, which ranked tied for eighth on the team.



## HENRIK RYBINSKI | RW | #58

Signed with Washington as a free agent on March 1, 2022

Rybinski, 22, recorded 18 points (5g, 13a) in 51 games during his first professional season with Hershey in 2022-23. The 6'1", 187-pound forward ranked tied for third among Bears' rookies in goals and fourth in assists, points and shots (42). In addition, Rybinski ranked tied for first on Hershey in shorthanded goals (1).



# CLAY STEVENSON | G | #33

Signed with Washington as a free agent on March 28, 2022

Stevenson appeared in 36 games for the South Carolina Stingrays (ECHL) last season, posting a record of 19-12-3-1 with a 2.54 goals-against average, a .916 save percentage and three shutouts. The Drayton Valley, Alberta native ranked second among ECHL goaltenders in goals-against average, tied for fifth in shutouts and seventh in save percentage. Stevenson also posted a 2-1-2 record with a 2.11 goals-against average and a .926 save percentage in five Kelly Cup Playoff games. Stevenson, 24, also posted a 3-0-0 record with a 1.96 goals-against average and a .924 save percentage in three games with the Hershey Bears in 2022-23. The 6'4", 195-pound goaltender made his AHL debut on Dec. 10, 2022, against the Cleveland Monsters, stopping 25 of 27 shots.



# ALEXANDER SUZDALEV | LW | #14

Drafted by Washington in the third round, 70th overall, in the 2022 NHL Draft

Suzdalev registered 86 points (38g, 48a) in 66 games in his first season in North America with the Regina Pats (WHL) in 2022-23. The 6'2", 181-pound forward led WHL rookies in goals, assists and points and ranked tied for 11th among all skaters in scoring. Suzdalev was named the WHL Rookie of the Month for the months of December and February, the only player to earn the honor twice this season. Additionally, Suzdalev was named to the Canadian Hockey League All-Rookie Team. Suzdalev added 10 points (7g, 3a) in seven playoff games with Regina, which ranked third on the team.



# PATRICK THOMAS | C | #49

Drafted by Washington in the fourth round, 104th overall, in the 2023 NHL Draft

Thomas, 18, recorded 56 points (17g, 39a) in 66 games with the Hamilton/Brantford Bulldogs of the Ontario Hockey League (OHL) last season. The Oakville, Ontario native led the Bulldogs in assists and points and tied for third in plus/minus (+10). The 6'0", 172-pound forward added six assists in six playoff games, which ranked first on the team. Thomas led Hamilton rookies with 27 points (6g, 21a) in 64 games during the 2021-22 season and appeared in all 19 of the Bulldogs' playoff games, recording eight assists en route to winning the OHL championship.



## BOGDAN TRINEYEV | RW | #88

Drafted by Washington in the fourth round, 117th overall, in the 2020 NHL Draft

Trineyev recorded 13 points (2g, 11a) in 39 games with Dynamo Moscow last season. The 6'3", 198-pound forward ranked tied for ninth on the team in assists and tied for seventh in hits (41). In addition, Trineyev recorded two assists in five playoff games. Trineyev, 21, also appeared in two games with Dynamo St. Petersburg of the Supreme Hockey League (Russia-2) and two games with the Hershey Bears of the American Hockey League (AHL).