

KILLER BEES GAME NIGHT

Friday, Nov. 16 vs. Austin
Saturday, Nov. 17 vs. Corpus Christi

TODAY'S GAME

The Killer Bees (3-5-2, 8 pts.) face off against the Austin Ice Bats (2-9-0, 4pts) for the second time this season. RGV holds the No. 2 spot in the Southeast Division and is coming off a Kid's Day 3-2 overtime loss at Laredo on Tuesday. Austin rounds out the division and was shut out 3-0 at Bossier-Shreveport last Saturday.

OVERVIEW

The Bees continue a busy stretch by playing five games in nine days; Friday's game is the fourth game in eight days. Rio maintains the No. 2 spot in the Southeast Division by a three-point margin over Corpus Christi and four points over Austin. This weekend's series can distance the Bees in the division race, as Austin heads home on Saturday to face Odessa, while the Rayz single game is against RGV.

In the month of November, the Bees play nine games against Southeast Division rivals (LAR-5, CRP-3, AUS-1), the second-highest total this season. March is when they face 10 divisional games (AUS-5, LAR- 3, CRP-2). November is also the busiest month of the season for Rio; they'll pack 13 games into 30 days. The Bees play a three-in-four stretch later this month (Nov. 21-24) and wrap up the month with the first game of a three-in-three (Nov. 30-Dec. 2).

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Goalie **David Lemanowicz** was granted a leave of absence from the team to deal with a family emergency last week. He returned to practice on Thursday.
- The Bees dealt D **Mike Looby** to Tulsa on Wednesday in exchange for LW **Lance Herauf**. Herauf played 10 games for the Oilers this season and posted two goals and an assist. Last season with New Mexico, he had 58 points (20-38-58) and finished with a plus-21 rating. A total of 14 of his points (2-12-14) came via the power play. The 5-foot-9, 170-pound Balgonie, Saskatchewan, native was one of six finalists for the CHL Rookie of the Year award last season.
- **Travis Banga** had five assists over the first three games of the season. He scored the only Rio goal in a 5-1 loss at Laredo on Nov. 1. He bagged two goals and added two assists on Nov. 3 vs. Corpus Christi. His second goal was his 200th career point. He needs 12 goals for the 100th of his career.
- The Bees had last Saturday off and used the morning to help distribute 1500 car seats to those in need. Rio has one more Saturday off (Dec. 22). They have one Friday off (Jan. 25); besides those days, the team plays every Friday and Saturday during the regular season.
- **Rob Voltera** had four goals in his first three games this season. He scored one of the two Rio goals vs. Youngstown on Sunday.
- The Bees waived F **Dan Stastny** on Nov. 9 and activated D **Tyler Fuller** from the IR.
- The Bees signed defenseman **Jon Hedberg** prior to the Nov. 1 game at Laredo. D **Dan McNeill** remains on 30-day IR (10/20).
- The Bees went 2-1-1 in October. All time in October they've posted a 13-5-3 (3 SOL) record with an 8-3-1 record at home.
- Historically in November, the Bees are 17-27-3 (0 SOL) all time including marks of 9-15-3 at home and 8-12-0 on the road. So far this year they are 1-4-1.
- Rio's all time record stands at 115-120-27 (16 SOL) (262 games played).

BROADCAST INFO

Friday

Radio: KURV 710 Talk Radio (Rich Bocchini)

TV: none

Saturday

Radio: KURV 710 Talk Radio (Dennis Scott, Alex Del Barrio)

TV: Televisa XERV-9, cable 19 (Rich Bocchini)

Internet Audio: killerbeehockey.com via allinbroadcasting.com

Internet Video: CHL Network (www.nifty-tv.com/chl)

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LEADERS (as of Nov. 15)

Points: Travis Banga (12)

Goals: Voltera (5)

Assists: Banga (8)

PIM: Voltera (35)

+/-: several (even)

UPCOMING SCHEDULE - all times CST

November

Friday	November 16	austin	@	RIO GRANDE VALLEY	7:35 PM
Saturday	November 17	corpus christi	@	RIO GRANDE VALLEY	7:35 PM
Wednesday	November 21	new mexico	@	RIO GRANDE VALLEY	7:35 PM
Friday	November 23	rio grande valley	@	TEXAS	7:05 PM
Saturday	November 24	rio grande valley	@	CORPUS CHRISTI	7:05 PM
Tuesday	November 27	rio grande valley	@	LAREDO	7:00 PM
Friday	November 30	laredo	@	RIO GRANDE VALLEY	7:35 PM

TRANSACTIONS

11/14/07 DEL Looby, Mike (D) traded to Tulsa Oilers
 11/14/07 DEL Bergh, Al (G) waived
 11/14/07 ADD Herauf, Lance (LW) acquired in trade from Tulsa Oilers
 11/14/07 ADD Lemanowicz, David (G) activated from leave by league
 11/12/07 ADD Joseph, Marlon (RW) activated from IR
 11/12/07 ADD Bergh, Al (G) added as emergency goaltender
 11/11/07 DEL Lemanowicz, David (G) granted leave by league
 11/09/07 DEL Stastny, Dan (F) waived
 11/09/07 ADD Fuller, Tyler (D) activated from IR
 11/01/07 ADD Silver, Jared (F) activated from IR
 11/01/07 ADD Hedberg, Jon (D) signed contract
 10/27/07 DEL Joseph, Marlon (F) placed on 14-day IR
 10/17/07 DEL Senior, Tristan (C) waived
 10/19/07 ADD Slusher, Jason (D)
 10/19/07 DEL Fuller, Tyler (D) and Silver, Jared (F) placed on 14-day IR

TEAM VS. TEAM

Vs. Austin

2003-04	Austin	12	8	4	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	4	0	0
2004-05	Austin	10	4	6	0	0	3	2	0	0	1	4	0	0
2005-06	Austin	9	5	2	1	1	3	1	0	0	2	1	1	1
2006-07	Austin	12	5	5	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	4	0	0
		43	22	17	2	2	16	4	1	1	6	13	1	1

Season Notes: This is the second meeting this season...Austin took a 4-1 win on Oct. 27 at the Dodge...Jamie Thompson had a goal and an assist for the Bats while Mike Looby scored the lone Rio goal...The Bees were 0-for-6 on the power play while allowing the Bats 2 goals on seven power plays...The teams meet next at Austin on Dec. 1 and 8, the don't face each other again until Feb. 15 at Austin...The teams face each five times in March.

Vs. Corpus Christi

10/19/07 Corpus Christi 2 at Rio Grande Valley 3
 10/20/07 Rio Grande Valley 3 at Corpus Christi 4 SO
 11/02/07 Corpus Christi 4 at Rio Grande Valley 5

2003-04	Corpus Christi	14	8	3	0	3	4	1	0	2	4	2	0	1
2004-05	Corpus Christi	11	2	7	1	1	1	4	1	0	1	3	0	1
2005-06	Corpus Christi	11	9	1	0	1	4	1	0	1	5	0	0	0
2006-07	Corpus Christi	12	4	5	2	1	2	3	0	1	2	2	2	0
		48	23	16	3	6	11	9	1	4	12	7	2	2

Season Notes: This is the fourth meeting between the teams...Travis Banga has seven points (2-5-7) vs. the Rayz this season...Brent Howarth (2-2-4) and Joe Blaznek (1-3-4) each have four points vs. Rio...Howarth has scored the first goal of the game twice vs. Rio...The teams meet again next Saturday at Corpus, the don't see each other until Dec. 29 and 30 at Rio.

KILLER BEES GOALIE NOTES

Lemanowicz

- Made 30 saves in 3-0 loss to Odessa on Nov. 9.
- Made 24 saves in a 5-4 won over Corpus Christi on Nov. 2.
- Made 46 saves vs. Amarillo in a 3-2 win on Oct. 26 (as of Nov. 12 tied for CHL season high).
- Made 40 saves in his first game as a Bee on Oct. 19; 3-2 win over Corpus Christi.
- Won a President's Cup Championship with Laredo in 2006.
- Served as a practice goalie for the Toronto Maple Leafs in 2004.
- Drafted by the Florida Panthers in 1995 (9th round).

Van Nynatten

- Made 51 saves including a franchise-record 27 in the second period in a 3-2 OTL at Laredo on Nov. 13.
- Made 37 saves in 4-2 loss to Youngstown on Nov. 11.
- Made 19 saves in 4-1 loss to Austin on Oct. 27.
- Made 37 saves in 4-3 SOL at Corpus Christi on Oct. 20.
- Set a franchise playoff record with 58 saves at Laredo on March 30, 2007 in a 4-3 win in Game 1.
- Earned first pro win with 24 saves in second pro start at Laredo on October 28, 2006.
- Played college hockey at Niagara; ranks first on CHA chart in career wins and minutes.
- Made an NCAA season-high 59 saves in a 7-1 loss at Minnesota on Jan. 7, 2006.

KILLER BEES PLAYER NOTES

MILESTONES – number represents stat needed for milestone as of 11/5/07

400th game – Jeremy Van Hoof (18th game - 8 needed)
200th goal – Adam Edinger (22nd game – 15)
400th point (Adam Edinger (21st point – 18 needed)
500th game – Rob Voltera (43rd game – 33 needed)
1500th PIM – Rob Voltera (57th PIM – 22 needed)
200th game – Travis Banga (33rd game – 23 needed)
200th point – Travis Banga (8th point – reached 11/2/07 vs. Corpus Christi with second goal)
100th goal – Travis Banga (16th goal – 12 needed)
300th game – David Masse (24th game – 14 needed)
100th goal – David Masse (8th goal – 4 needed)
200th goal – Dennis Maxwell (7th goal - 5 needed)
300th assist – Dennis Maxwell (34th assist – 29 needed)
500th point – Dennis Maxwell (41st point – 34 needed)
2700th PIM – Dennis Maxwell (64th PIM – 36 needed)
3000th PIM – Dennis Maxwell (364th PIM – 336 needed)
100th win – David Lemanowicz (10th win – 7 needed)
7000th save – David Lemanowicz (662nd save – 487 needed)
1000th save – Jeff Van Nynatten (180th save – 9 needed)
101st win – Paul Fixter (1st win of the season)

KILLER BEES TEAM NOTES

GET THE FIRST GOAL

The Bees scored the first goal of the game on Nov. 3 and Nov. 13 vs. Laredo, the only times they've done so this season. The team is 3-4-1 when allowing opponents the first goal and 0-1-1 when scoring first. The Bees are 45-10-4 in the past two seasons (2005-06, 06-07) when scoring first. Conversely, they are 16-44-9 when allowing the first goal. Around the league this season (as of Nov. 12), the team that scores first is 56-23-3, or wins 68.3% of the time. Last season teams that scored first were 364-128-52, or won 66.9% of the time.

ONE GOAL BEES

RGV is 3-0-2 in one goal games this season.

FRIDAY SUCCESS. SATURDAY BLUES

The Bees are 3-1-0 on Fridays this season and 0-2-1 on Saturdays.

PIM AVERAGE

RGV's average of 25.50 PIM per game is just above the league average of 25.04.

PRODUCTION PLEASE

The Killer Bees have an average of 2.20 goals per game (10 games, 22 goals) puts them 15th in the league. The CHL average is 3.22 goals scored per game.

SITUATIONAL GOALS

GOALS FOR - 22

5-ON-5: 15
5-ON-4: 4
5-ON-3: 1
4-ON-4: 1
4-ON-3: 0
4-ON-5: 1
3-ON-5: 0
EA: 0
EN: 0
SO: 0
PS: 0

GOALS AGAINST - 35

5-ON-5: 23
5-ON-4: 6
5-ON-3: 1
4-ON-4: 1
4-ON-3: 0
4-ON-5: 2
3-ON-5:
EN: 2
EA: 0
SO: 1
PS: 0

SPECIAL TEAMS

POWER PLAY

- Held 0-for-1 on Nov. 13 at Laredo.
- Had PPG in back to back games Nov. 1 and 2 (went 3-for-12).
- Went 0-for-7 in two games opening weekend.
- Went 1-for-8 vs. Amarillo on 10/26/07.
- Held 0-for-6 on 10/27/07 vs. Austin...allowed a shorthanded goal.
- Went 1-for-7 vs. Laredo on 11/1/07.
- Went 2-for-5 vs. Corpus Christi on 11/2/07.

PENALTY KILL

- Opponents are 0-for-9 in the last two games.
- Held Laredo 0-for-5 on Nov. 3 after allowing power play goals in four consecutive games.
- Went 8-for-8 in two games opening weekend.
- Held Amarillo 1-for-13 on 10/26/07; Amarillo tied a franchise record for most power plays in one game...
- Allowed two power play goals (2-for-7) vs. Austin on 10/27/07.
- Held Laredo to 1-for-7 on 11/1/07.
- Held Corpus Christi to 1-for-4 on 11/2/07.

OVERTIME AND SHOOTOUTS

Overtime

Nov. 13, 2007 – 3-2 loss at Laredo (Serge Dube)

Shootout

October 20, 2007 – 4-3 loss at Corpus Christi (Geno Parrish)

THE LAST TIME...

A GAME WAS SCORELESS HEADING INTO OVERTIME

3/3/06 @ Corpus Christi (CRP 1, RGV 0) OT, Nicklas Lindberg GWG

A GAME WAS DECIDED IN OVERTIME

RGV win: 2/23/07 at Odessa (2-1 win, Jason Cirone, GWG)

RGV loss: 11/13/07 at Laredo (3-2 loss, Serge Dube, GWG)

A GAME WAS DECIDED IN A SHOOTOUT

RGV Win: 3/11/07 vs. Austin (Jason Cirone)

RGV Loss: 10/20/07 4-3 loss at Corpus Christi (Geno Parrish)

KILLER BEES SHUTOUT

RGV Win: 3/20/07 vs. Austin (4-0, Jeff Van Nynatten, 25 saves)

RGV Loss: 11/09/07 vs. Odessa (3-0, Alex Vincent, 28 saves)

HAT TRICK

RGV - 12/11/05 vs. Laredo (Daymen Bencharki, 1st period, natural hat trick)

Opponent – 3/11/07 vs. Austin (Mike Tucciarone)

ATTEMPTED PENALTY SHOTS

RGV: 12/8/06 vs. Corpus Christi (Jon Robert vs. Ron Vogel, no goal)

Opponent: 01/06/07 at Austin (Tim Earl vs. Jeremy Symington, no goal)

SCORED ON A PENALTY SHOT

RGV: 2/20/07 at Arizona (Dennis Maxwell vs. Kris Mayotte)

Opponent: N/A

GOALTENDER RECORDED AN ASSIST

RGV: 3/11/07 vs. Austin (Jeremy Symington)

Opponent: NA