

Baton Rouge Kingfish Hockey Club



2026-27 KINGFISH SCHEDULE

OCTOBER (7 games – 2 home, 5 road)

16 Fri.	at	MONROE	7:05 p.m.
17 Sat.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
23 Fri.	at	Mid-South	7 p.m.
24 Sat.	at	Mid-South	7 p.m.
25 Sun.		MID-SOUTH	4:05 p.m.
30 Fri.	at	Stockton	9:11 p.m.
31 Sat.	at	Stockton	9:11 p.m.

NOVEMBER (9 games – 2 home, 7 road)

6 Fri.	at	Fresno	9:05 p.m.
7 Sat.	at	Fresno	8:05 p.m.
13 Fri.	at	Binghamton	6 p.m.
14 Sat.	at	Binghamton	6 p.m.
15 Sun.	at	Binghamton	4 p.m.
20 Fri.		MONROE	7:05 p.m.
21 Sat.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
27 Fri.		MID-SOUTH	7:05 p.m.
28 Sat.	at	Mid-South	7:05 p.m.

DECEMBER (7 games – 4 home, 3 road)

4 Fri.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
5 Sat.	at	Monroe	7:00 p.m.
11 Fri.		OCEANSIDE	7:05 p.m.
12 Sat.		OCEANSIDE	7:05 p.m.
18 Fri.		COLUMBUS	7:05 p.m.
19 Sat.		COLUMBUS	7:05 p.m.
31 Thu.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.

JANUARY (8 games – 1 home, 7 road)

1 Fri.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
2 Sat.		MONROE	7:05 p.m.
15 Fri.	at	Columbus	6:35 p.m.
16 Sat.	at	Columbus	6:05 p.m.
22 Fri.	at	Twin City	6:35 p.m.
23 Sat.	at	Twin City	5:05 p.m.
29 Fri.	at	Mid-South	7 p.m.
30 Sat.	at	Mid-South	7 p.m.

FEBRUARY (7 games – 4 home, 3 road)

12 Fri.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
13 Sat.	at	Monroe	7:05 p.m.
20 Sat.		MID-SOUTH	7:05 p.m.
21 Sun.	at	Mid-South	7:00 p.m.
26 Fri.		COLUMBUS	7:05 p.m.
27 Sat.		COLUMBUS	4:05 p.m.
28 Sun.		COLUMBUS	4:05 p.m.

MARCH (10 games – 9 home, 1 road)

5 Fri.		MONROE	7:05 p.m.
6 Sat.		MONROE	7:05 p.m.
12 Fri.		MID-SOUTH	7:05 p.m.
13 Sat.		MID-SOUTH	7:05 p.m.
19 Fri.		INDIANA	7:05 p.m.
20 Sat.		INDIANA	7:05 p.m.
21 Sun.		INDIANA	4:05 p.m.
23 Tue.	at	Mid-South	7:00 p.m.
27 Sat.		MID-SOUTH	7:05 p.m.
31 Wed.		COLUMBUS	11:05 a.m.

APRIL (8 games – 6 home, 2 road)

2 Fri.		TWIN CITY	7:05 p.m.
3 Sat.		TWIN CITY	7:05 p.m.
4 Sun.		TWIN CITY	4:05 p.m.
9 Fri.		MINNESOTA	7:05 p.m.
10 Sat.		MINNESOTA	7:05 p.m.
11 Sun.		MINNESOTA	4:05 p.m.
16 Fri.	at	Topeka	7:05 p.m.
17 Sat.	at	Topeka	7:05 p.m.

Western Conf.	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	L10
1. Fresno	2	2	0	0	4	2-0-0
2. Monroe	2	2	0	0	4	2-0-0
3. Oceanside	3	1	2	0	2	1-2-0
4. Stockton	1	0	0	1	1	0-0-1
5. Baton Rouge	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0
6. Columbus	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0
7. Topeka	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0
8. Minnesota	0	2	0	0	0	0-2-0
9. Mid-South	0	2	0	0	0	0-2-0

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GAME 1: BATON ROUGE VS. MONROE — FRIDAY, OCT. 16, 7:05 P.M.

KINGFISH OPEN 2026-27 FPHL SEASON

The Baton Rouge Kingfish play their first game in franchise history against the Monroe Moccasins at Raising Cane's River Center.

It's the first of 13 regular season matches between the two teams. The Kingfish and Moccasins will rematch tomorrow night in Monroe.

Last season, the Baton Rouge Zydeco posted a 2-11-2 record against Monroe in 15 head-to-head battles. Baton Rouge scored an opening night victory, 4-1, on Oct. 18, 2025 in Monroe, and an additional road win, 4-2, on Feb. 6.

BROADCAST COVERAGE

Kingfish Pregame at 6:50 p.m.

Streaming: Free-to-watch video on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@BatonRougeKingfish

FPHL EXPANSION AND REALIGNMENT

For the first time in league history, the FPHL is going coast-to-coast.

Along with the Kingfish, five additional teams -- the Mid-South Monarchs, Fresno Falcons, Oceanside Shock, Stockton Thunder and Minnesota Northern Lights -- join the FPHL in 2026-27 to bring the league's total from 14 to 17 teams:

In the offseason, the Biloxi Breakers ceased operations, while the Athens Rock Lobsters and Pee Dee IceCats moved to the SPHL.

This year, the FPHL moves to a nine-team Western Conference and eight-team Eastern conference, with two divisions per conference. The Kingfish compete in the Western Conference's Delta Division with Monroe, Columbus and Mid-South.

WELCOME BACK TO BATON ROUGE

The Kingfish's opening night roster has 10 players who skated in games with the Baton Rouge Zydeco last season, including the Zydeco's top three scorers.

Leading scorer Tyler Larwood (39 pts), who logged a career-high 25 assists in 2025-26, is back for his fourth season in Baton Rouge.

Narek Aleksanyan ranked second on the Zydeco in points (38) last season and also returns for his fourth campaign in the Red Stick.

Jake Cox paced the Zydeco with 15 goals a season ago and joins the Kingfish after finishing last campaign in Pee Dee, helping lead the IceCats to a Commissioner's Cup Finals appearance.

Goaltender Ed Coffey, who posted an 8-11-2 record last season in 42 appearances, returns in between the pipes.

THE KNOXVILLE CONNECTION

With Jimmy Soper, the former captain of the SPHL's Knoxville Ice Bears, taking on bench boss responsibilities for the Kingfish, seven former Ice Bears have followed their former captain to Baton Rouge.

2025-26 BATON ROUGE OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
TYLER LARWOOD	51	14	25	39	-1	51
NAREK ALEKSANYAN	55	14	24	38	-25	79
JAKE COX	49	15	22	37	-22	41

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	SVS	GAA	SV%
ED COFFEY	42	8-11-2	613	3.86	.885
BAILEY STEPHENS X	41	7-12-0	575	3.98	.891
CONNOR GREEN X	22	2-9-4	547	3.34	.912
JUHO NUPPONEN X	5	0-1-0	49	5.49	.831

2026-27 MONROE OVERALL SCORING & GOALTENDING LEADERS

SKATER	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
CARLOS FORNARIS	2	2	4	6	5	0
JARED CHRISTY	2	1	5	6	7	0
ANDREW BELLANT	2	3	1	4	2	0
AUSTIN PICK	2	2	2	4	3	0

GOALTENDER	GP	REC	SVS	GAA	SV%
CHRIS BRANCH	2	2-0-0	53	2.01	.930

2026-27 HEAD-TO-HEAD BREAKDOWN

MON	OVERALL RECORD	BR
2-0-0		0-0-0
0-0-0	HEAD-TO-HEAD	0-0-0
1-0-0	RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST	0-0-0
5.5 (2 nd)	GOALS FOR PER GAME	0.00
2.0 (11 th)	GOALS AGAINST PER GAME	0.00
40% (4 th)	POWER PLAY	0.0%
88% (T-2 nd)	PENALTY KILL	0.0%

On offense, the Knoxville transplants are highlighted by Tyler Williams -- the Ice Bears leading scorer last season (40pts) -- and Dawson McKinney -- who also spent time in the ECHL in 2025-26.

Defensively, veteran Kyle Soper, younger brother of head coach Jimmy Soper, joins the Kingfish as a versatile, puck-moving blueliner.

Goaltender Noah Giesbrecht posted a 2.31 goals-against average and .932 save percentage in seven appearances with Knoxville last season. He also logged 16 games in the ECHL for the Savannah Ghost Pirates and Tulsa Oilers.

SCOUTING THE MOCCASINS

The Moccasins have raced out to a 2-0-0 start and outscored Mid-South, 11-4, in their two contests last weekend in Monroe.

Forward Jared Christy leads the FPHL with five assists, and he and Carlos Fornaris are tied for the league lead with six points. Andrew Bellant's three goals pace the club and are tied for first in the FPHL.

Rookie goaltender Chris Branch started both games against Mid-South and enters tonight's contest with a 2.01 goals-against average and .930 save percentage.

Delta Division	GP	RW	L	OTL	OTW	SOW	Pts	W%	GF	GA	HOME	ROAD	PIM	L10	Streak
1. Monroe	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	1.000	11	4	2-0-0	0-0-0	35	2-0-0	W2
2. Baton Rouge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0
3. Columbus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0-0-0	0
4. Mid-South	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	.000	4	11	0-0-0	0-2-0	29	0-2-0	L2

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FPHL GAME #10 — FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026, 7:05 P.M. — RAISING CANES RIVER CENTER

MONROE MOCCASINS

2-0-0 (1.000) Opts. — 1st Delta, T-1st Western

Team Game #3, Road Game #1

Home: 2-0-0 — Away: 0-0-0 — Last Ten: 2-0-0

No.	Pos.	Goaltender	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
1	G	Chris Branch	6'0	190	2	2	0	0	0	2.01	.930
31	G	Matthew Cole	5'8	158	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	.890

No.	Pos.	Skater	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM	+/-
3	D	Corson Green	6'2	195	54	0	3	3	12	5
5	F	Jared Christy	5'10	185	2	1	5	6	0	5
6	F	Sam Gagnon	5'9	165	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	F	Curtis Hansen	5'10	181	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	D	Carter Eha	6'4	185	2	0	0	0	9	-1
15	D	Raymond Jackson	6'1	205	2	0	0	0	0	0
19	F	Carlos Fornaris	5'9	165	2	2	4	6	0	5
23	D	Colten Gerken	6'1	188	2	0	1	1	2	4
24	F	Bradley Richardson	6'3	212	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	F	Trevor Finch	5'7	165	2	0	1	1	0	0
27	D	Frank Schumacher	6'2	205	2	0	1	1	2	0
33	D	Jamie Dorsey	6'2	215	2	1	1	2	4	3
43	F	Andrew Bellant	5'11	195	2	3	1	4	0	2
47	F	Austin Pick	5'10	180	2	2	2	4	0	3
96	F	Blake Keller	6'2	185	2	0	1	1	6	3

BATON ROUGE KINGFISH

0-0-0 (0.000) Opts. — T-2nd Delta, T-5th Western

Team Game #1, Home Game #1

Home: 0-0-0 — Away: 0-0-0 — Last Ten: 0-0-0

No.	Pos.	Goaltender	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
31	G	Noah Giesbrecht	6'4	205	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	.000
35	G	Ed Coffey	6'6	220	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	.000
72	G	Rahul Sharma	6'0	165	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	.000

No.	Pos.	Skater	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM	+/-
3	LW	Tyler Williams	5'8	170	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	D	Matt Stoia	6'2	200	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	RW	Kaleb Melanson	6'3'	250	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	D	Matej Palfy	6'6	240	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	D	Nick Ketola	6'0	180	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	C	Matthew Bazarin	6'5	225	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	D	Ethan Matchim	6'5	205	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	RW	Jason Brancheau	5'8	170	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	D	Dylan Dreveny	6'2	190	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	F	Brayden Stannard	6'3	185	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	LW	Scott Shorrock	5'9	175	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	LW	Tobias Odjick	5'11	181	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	C	Jake Cox	5'9	180	0	0	0	0	0	0
67	C	Joseph Drapluk	5'9	185	0	0	0	0	0	0
71	LW	Narek Aleksanyan	6'0	188	0	0	0	0	0	0
74	D	Kyle Soper	6'0	175	0	0	0	0	0	0
77	RW	Dmitry Kuznetsov	5'11	180	0	0	0	0	0	0
85	D	Preston Kugler	6'1	190	0	0	0	0	0	0
88	RW	Kodiak Whiteduck	6'1	185	0	0	0	0	0	0
90	D	Sam Turner	5'10	185	0	0	0	0	0	0
91	RW	Dawson McKinney	6'0	190	0	0	0	0	0	0
96	C	Tyler Larwood	5'10	195	0	0	0	0	0	0

Chairman & CEO: Nicolas Perkin
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