

ONTARIO REIGN FALL IN SHOOTOUT; LOSE AHL DEBUT

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ONTARIO, CA — History was made on Friday night as **Citizens Business Bank Arena** played host to its first **AHL** game. Unfortunately, the debut was spoiled as the hometown **Ontario Reign** lost 3-2 in a shootout to the **San Diego Gulls**.

Prior to this season, the Reign were a member of the **ECHL**, but the affiliate of the **Los Angeles Kings** switched leagues with the club's other affiliate, the **Manchester Monarchs**.

Despite the loss — especially against the affiliate of the **Anaheim Ducks** — the Reign put on quite a show to open their preseason schedule. **Alex Roach** and **Valentin Zykov** each scored for the home team while **Michael Houser** stopped 25 of 27 shots in the Ontario goal.

In related news, netminder **Peter Budaj**, who was invited to Kings training camp on a professional tryout, has been assigned to Ontario's camp — albeit still without a contract.