

A round-by-round look at the Penguins' drafts overseen by Ray Shero since he replaced Craig Patrick as general manager in the spring of 2006. There are multiple selections in some rounds because of choices acquired in trades.

2006

Round 1

C Jordan Staal

One of hockey's top defensive forwards and a capable offensive contributor.

Round 2

D Carl Sosef

Made his NHL debut in 2011-12, but appears to be well down the depth chart on defense.

Round 3

D Brian Strait

A defensive defenseman who looks ready to take a regular shift in the NHL.

Round 4

Traded to Chicago before Shero took over.

Round 5

G Chad Johnson

Traded to New York Rangers for 5th-round draft choice in 2009.

Round 6

Traded to Florida before Shero's arrival.

Round 7

D Timo Seppanen

Never has played a shift in North America, and probably never will.

2007

Round 1

C Angelo Exposito

Penguins gambled on him, then cut their losses by sending him to Atlanta in the Marian Hossa/Pascal Dupuis trade.

Round 2

C Keven Vaillex

Off-injured and has yet to make a serious run at a job in the NHL.

Round 3

D Robert Bortuzzo

Is on the verge of playing regularly in the NHL.

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C Casey Pienzo

Zabotel Early on, looked like he might be a steal. He wasn't.

Round 4

LW Luca Caputi

Once viewed as a top prospect, he was traded to Toronto in 2010 and still plays mostly in the American Hockey League.

Round 4

D Alex Grant

Career was disrupted by a severe wrist injury in 2010, but he remains a legitimate prospect.

Round 5

D Jake Muzzia

Never played in the organization and now belongs to Los Angeles.

Round 6

C Dustin Jeffrey

Looked like one of Shero's most shrewd picks but has fallen out of favor with the coaching staff.

2008

Round 1

Traded to Atlanta in the Hossa/Dupuis deal.

Round 2

Traded to Toronto in the Hal Gill deal.

Round 3

Traded to Phoenix in the Georges Laraque deal.

Round 4

C Nathan Moon

Penguins declined to sign him and surrendered his rights.

Round 5

G Alexander Pechurskiy

Now playing in Russia, with no indication he has a future in the NHL.

Round 6

G Patrick Killeen

Is steadily moving up the depth chart in goal, if only through attrition.

Round 7

D Nicholas D'Agostino

Might be the most pleasant surprise of Shero's tenure, having put together three good seasons at Cornell.



2009

Round 1

D Simon Despres

One of the best young players in the organization, with the potential to eventually play on the top defense pairing.

Round 2

D Philip Samuelsson

Definitely still on management's radar, but first pro season was largely undistinguished.

Round 3

RW Ben Hanowski

Is progressing as a goal-scorer at St. Cloud State.

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Traded to New York Islanders for RW Bill Guerin.

Round 4

RW Nick Petersen

Has been effective in the AHL, but handy is a sure thing to contribute at the next level.

Round 5

D Alex Velichek

Doesn't seem to turn up in many conversations about Penguins' future on defense.

Round 5

C Andy Bathgate

Penguins declined to sign him and surrendered his rights.

Round 6

D Viktor Ekblom

Penguins declined to sign him and surrendered his rights.

Round 7

Traded to Montreal for 8th-round pick in 2010.

2010

Round 1

RW Beau Bennett

The most promising young forward in the organization, he's coming off of two injury-hampered seasons at Denver University.

Round 2

Traded to Florida for Jordan Leopold.

Round 3

RW Bryan Rust

Has put up ordinary numbers in two seasons at Notre Dame.

Round 4

RW Tom Kuhnhackl

A goal-scoring winger who figures to get a long look within the next few years.

Round 5

LW Kenneth Agostino

Too early to project his NHL potential, but he has 25 goals in 64 games at Yale.

Round 6

D Joe Regalski

The Penguins declined to sign him and surrendered his rights.

Round 7

D Reid McNeill

A promising defensive defenseman who recently signed a three-year entry-level contract.

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Traded to San Jose for a 7th-rounder in 2011.

2011

Round 1

D Joseph Morrow

Arguably the organization's top prospect. He'll get to the NHL; the only question is when.

Round 2

D Scott Harrington

Unless his development plateaus, Harrington looks like a safe bet to be an NHL regular within a few years.

Round 3

Traded to Philadelphia for the negotiating rights to free-agent D Dan Hamhuis.

Round 4

Traded to Edmonton in the Mathieu Garon deal.

Round 5

C Dominik Uher

A high-energy forward who seems to be developing a scoring touch and recently received a three-year contract.

Round 6

C Josh Archibald

A slight but skilled forward playing at Nebraska-Omaha.

Round 7

Traded to Ottawa for RW Alex Kovalev.

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LW Scott Wilson

Another possible late-round surprise, he's coming off a terrific freshman season at UMass-Lowell.