Olli Maatta, D

Shoots: L

Height: 6-2

Weight: 198

Born: 1994-08-22

Hometown: Jyvaskyla, Finland

Drafted: 22nd overall by Pittsburgh in 2012

Observations:

October 2013 - Maatta has impressed the staff enough throughout training camp and preseason to earn a spot on the main roster. He has played in three games so far and already picked up his first two NHL assists. He may still be sent down to London of the OHL before his 10th game, but his goal is to stick all season with the Penguins. Seth Brisendine

April 2013- Maatta once again helped lead the Knights to first place overall in the OHL standings. He led all Knights defensemen in scoring with 8G-30A-38PTS and a solid plus-8 rating. Despite not making as big of an impact as most anticipated after last years otherworldly 6G-17A-23PTS and plus-11 rating in 19 games in the playoffs, Maatta showed he plays a well-rounded dependable two-way game that Coaches covet. *Travis Watson*

February 2013- Although Maatta wasn't able to maintain his torrid pace from last seasons Memorial Cup run, his solid two-way play has helped carry the Knights to first place overall and at one point an astonishing 25 game win streak! It's safe to say this Finnish product is making an impact on the back end for the reigning OHL Champion London Knights. *Travis Watson*

September 2012 - Olli Määttä has inked an entry-level contract with the Pittsburgh Penguins. *Br endan Ross*

June, 2012 - The Penguins added their second London Knights' defenseman in as many years making Finnish rearguard Olli Maatta as their 22nd overall pick joining Scott Harrington as a Penguins' prospect. *Brendan Ross*

May 2012 - Maatta was named OHL Player of the Week ending April 29 after scoring three goals and five points in two playoff games. Olli Maatta has impressed offensively in post-season action as he sits among the defensive scoring leaders as well as his team scoring. Scouts are beginning to second guess his "limited upsde". *Brendan Ross*

March, 2012 – Olli Maatta impressed during his rookie OHL season as a member of the powerhouse London Knights, showing off his excellent passing and decision-making skills. His plus-25 rating ranked him second among first-year OHLers, while his 32 points paced all rookie defensemen. He also suited up for one game for Team Finland at the 2012 Under 20 World Junior Championships in Calgary and Edmonton, as a concussion sidelined him for most of the tournament. *John Canario*

Fantasy Outlook : B
Decent offensive player in junior but upside may limit him to a second-pairing role at the NHL level.

Footage:
Olli Maatta drops the gloves with Tyler Bertuzzi:
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