Derek Grant, C/W

Shoots: L

Height: 6-3

Weight: 197

Born: 1990-04-20

Hometown: Abbotsford, BC

Drafted: 2008 by Ottawa, 119 th overall

Observations:

March 2013 – Grant looks very close to grabbing a lower line role for the Senators. ‘Poolies’ would like to see more offence in the AHL, but he is very involved in games, responsible and is an excellent penalty killer. I would not suggest he would be valuable in many fantasy formats, but future owners may use him confidently in deep leagues for faceoff wins and short-handed points. (He currently has five shorthanded AHL goals this season) In seeing him play, he is very much one of those lower line workhorse and smart players that coaches and fans love, and could become one of those guys many teams seek in late season additions for playoff depth, but like Chris Neil, Ottawa may never let him move. He is a ‘dark horse’ to secure a roster spot next year but he should be viewed as very much in the plans. *Jason Banks*

July 2012 - Derek Grant is an offensive forward with good size. In two seasons with the Langley Chiefs of the BCHL, Grant scored 49 goals and added 74 assists in 96 games. With Michigan State of the NCAA, Grant put up 63 points in 76 games in his two years with the team. After his sophomore season, Grant signed with the Senators and was inserted into the AHL lineup to end the season. In his first full pro season in 2011-2012, Grant showed he needs more time to grasp the pro game as he recorded only 23 points in 60 games. While he is not a physical player, his size allows him to compete at both ends of the rink. Grant will look to take the next step offensively in the AHL this season.

Fantasy Outlook : C-

Grant has good offensive upside, however he will need more seasoning in the AHL. Has the size and potential offensive ability to play in the NHL one day. He is at least a couple of years away.

Footage:

Grant in development camp, 2011 (Team Red - 57)

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