Matt Calvert, LW

Shoots: L

Height: 5-9

Weight: 188

Born: 1989-12-24

Hometown: Brandon, Man.

Drafted: 2008 5	th	round 127

Observations:

March 2013 – Other than small reassignments due to having a two way contract and injury rehabbing, Calvert is has pretty much made himself an NHL regular (in Columbus). He has seen a boost in minutes from 10-13 to now 15+ on a regular basis. Unfortunately his production is not exactly where the Blue Jackets need him to be and his minus-15 rating is a little concerning that he is a liability. I would suggest managers to avoid him as it would be unexpected that he will develop into a reliable producer and will likely stay in the niche of a cheap utility player. *Jason Banks*

March 2012 – Calvert used his speed, above average shot, and strong hockey IQ to perform well for three years in the WHL for the Brandon Wheat Kings. Last season he had a good sniff of NHL play as he dressed for 42 games and produced 20 points with the Blue Jackets. He unfortunately has a small frame, but makes up for it in his smart game sense, unselfish play, and heart.

Fantasy Outlook : C+

Calvert is a speedy forward with great offensive instincts but lacks the NHL size.

Footage:

Matt Calvert finishes on the break-a-way against the Hawks for the Blue Jackets on 2/18/2011.

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Every great junior line has one spare tire. It's inevitable. See: Roussin-Crosby-Pouliot - one NHL star, one bottom- sixer, one minor pro player. So who is the weak link on the great Brandon Wheat Kings unit of Matt Calvert, Brayden Schenn and Scott Glennie? Despite being two years older than either of his first-round caliber linemates, 20 year-old Matt Calvert is ultimately not an NHL-quality talent. An elite skater with solid passing skills, the speedy winger nevertheless lacks the IQ and shot to be a scorer and at 5'10, the size to be a grinder. It doesn't help that Calvert is also a perimeter player. Calvert will head to the AHL next year and he could have a good career there - just not in the show.

Upside: Third-line energy winger (15-30-45)

Certainty (NHLer; Upside): 30%; 25%

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