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Geimer-- Wins PlayStation 4 Console Final and Advances to North American Club Championship in Montreal

The **2022 NHL Gaming World Championship**, featuring the top EA SPORTS NHL '22 players in the world, continued this past weekend with two more players securing their spots in the North American Club Championship after competing in the PlayStation 4 Console Finals.

In a dominant performance, **Calgary Flames** representative and console No. 23 seed Matthew 'Geimer--' Geim won the PS4 Console Final. By securing the win, the Acton, Ont., native also collected \$2,000 USD in prize money as the Console winner. **Edmonton Oilers** representative Ben 'uninsta11_NHL' Thompson took the runner-up position and also has advanced to the Club Championship in Montreal on July 6. Geimer-- won both meetings with uninsta11_NHL as they met in the Upper Bracket Final (2-1 series) as well as the Final (2-0 series) of the PS4 Console.

All NHL GWC Final matches are streamed live on [NHL](#) and [ELEAGUE TV](#).

Did You Know?

* A Twitch audience of more than **100,000 unique viewers** saw ENCEKI capture the NHL GWC European Championship in overtime of Game 3 on June 4.



NEWS

The NHL Gaming World Championship welcomes back Sportsnet TV and digital host [Faizal Khamisa](#) to the broadcast team for the North American Xbox One Final on **Saturday, June 18** (12 p.m. ET) and the North American PS5 Final on **Saturday, June 25** (12 p.m. ET). Khamisa was a member of the GWC's caster team in 2018, 2019 and 2021.

The image is a promotional graphic for Faizal Khamisa as a guest host. It features the NHL Gaming World Championship logo at the top left, with the text 'GUEST HOST' in large, bold, white letters with a red outline. Below this is a portrait of Faizal Khamisa, a man with dark hair, wearing a blue suit jacket, a white shirt, and a red patterned tie. To the right of the portrait is a 'LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE' box with a red header. The schedule lists two events: 'SATURDAY, JUNE 18' for the 'NHL GWC NORTH AMERICAN XBOX ONE FINAL' at '12 PM ET', and 'SATURDAY, JUNE 25' for the 'NHL GWC NORTH AMERICAN PS5 FINAL' at '12 PM ET'. Below the schedule are the NHL and ELeague logos, and the text 'TWITCH.TV/NHL • TWITCH.TV/ELEAGUETV'. At the bottom of the graphic, there are logos for EA Sports NHL 22 and the hashtag #NHLGWC.

LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, JUNE 18
NHL GWC NORTH AMERICAN XBOX ONE FINAL
12 PM ET
SATURDAY, JUNE 25
NHL GWC NORTH AMERICAN PS5 FINAL
12 PM ET

A national television personality with Sportsnet, Khamisa appears on *Sportsnet Central* anchor and regularly contributes to Sportsnet's fan-favourite program *Tim & Friends*. Outside of his Sportsnet roles, Khamisa has hosted eMLS FIFA League Cup action and covered Canada Soccer eNationals and eCPL FIFA esports tournaments.

On June 1, Khamisa hit a celebrated milestone – being 15 years cancer-free.

WEEKEND RESULTS

Geimer--: Road to PlayStation 4 North American Console Final

* Entering console play as the No. 23 seed, the underdog Geimer-- saved his best for last as he beat favorite and No. 3 seed uninsta1l_NHL two consecutive times (Upper Bracket & Final) to capture the console title. Each series in this round was the best-of-three.

Round-of-64 vs. **Will_8771** (2-0)

Round-of-32 vs. **ZxchXO** (2-1)

Round-of-16 vs. **guiav123** (2-1)

Quarterfinals vs. **BigWerthy** (2-0)
 Semifinals vs. **OhhCrosby87** (2-0)
 Upper Bracket vs. **uninsta1l_NHL** (2-1)
 Final vs. **uninsta1l_NHL** (2-0)

uninsta1l_NHL: Road to PlayStation 4 North American Console Final

* The 19-year-old from St. Albert, Alta., representing his hometown Oilers began console play as the No. 3 seed and, after being relegated to the second-chance bracket, won his series 2-0 against **OohCrosby** to advance to the Console Final. And even though uninsta1l_NHL's second meeting with Geimer-- in the Final didn't result a win, both players have still advanced to the North American Club Championship.

Round-of-64 vs. **WiLdHoG88** (2-0)
 Round-of-32 vs. **YSLNickyyT** (2-0)
 Round-of-16 vs. **Kebec-Gamer** (2-0)
 Quarterfinals vs. **ginger2001** (2-0)
 Semifinals vs. **Titetienne09** (2-0)
 Upper Bracket vs **Geimer--** (1-2 loss)
 Lower Bracket vs. **OhhCrosby87** (2-0)
 Final vs. **Geimer--** (0-2 loss)

The complete PlayStation4 bracket can be found on the tournament website, [here](#).



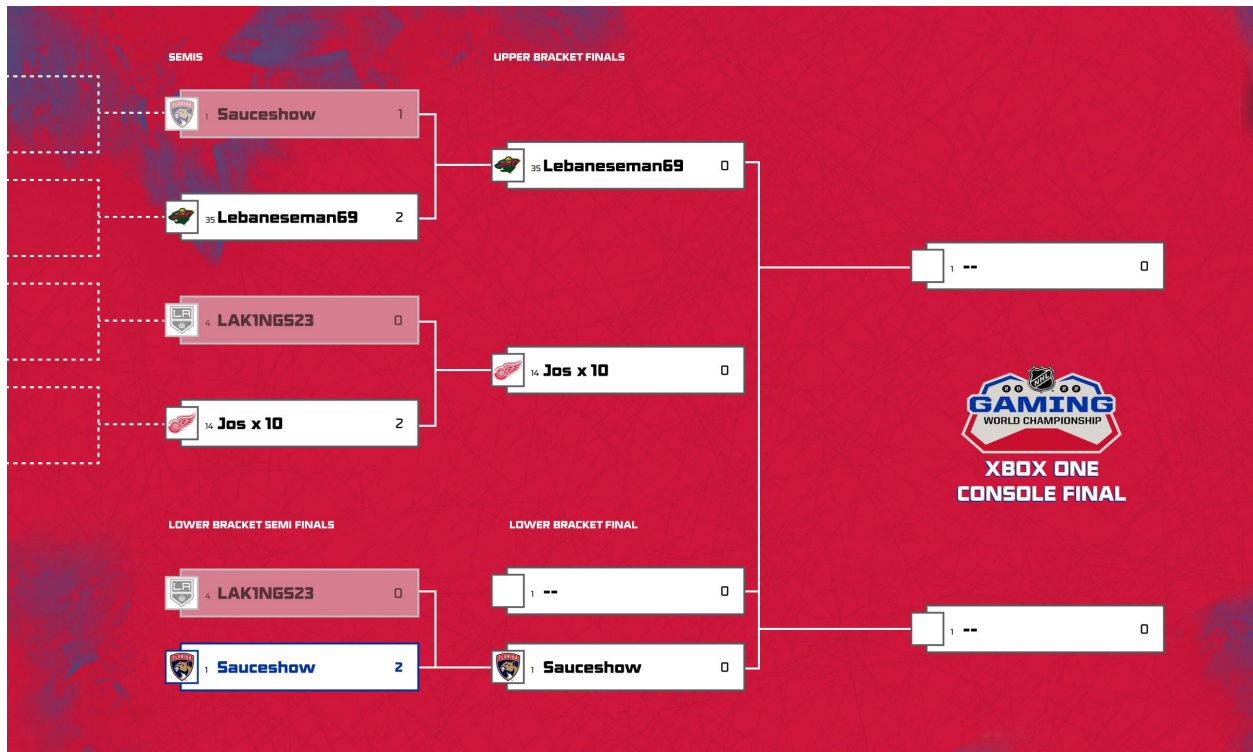
Sauceshow, the No. 1 seed in Xbox One console play and Florida Panthers representative, will have a chance for redemption after being relegated to Lower Bracket contention after a loss to **Lebaneseman69** in Semifinal play. Both Minnesota Wild rep **Lebaneseman69** and Detroit Red Wings rep **Jos x 10**, who are newcomers to the NHL GWC's final rounds, will need to play their best hockey to advance to the North American Club Championship.

Xbox One Final games will be played this **Saturday, June 18**, with live streams on [NHL](#) and [ELEAGUE TV](#) beginning at **12 p.m. ET**.

NHL GWC North America Xbox One FINALISTS

 <p>Lebaneseman69</p> <p>NAME: JOHNNY KHALIL AGE: 22 HOMETOWN: ST PAUL, MINNESOTA FAVOURITE PLAYER: KIRILL KAPRIZOV PLAYING GWC AS: MINNESOTA WILD</p>	 <p>Jos x 10</p> <p>NAME: JOSEPH OLMSTEAD AGE: 18 HOMETOWN: TROY, MICHIGAN FAVOURITE PLAYER: MORITZ SEIDER PLAYING GWC AS: DETROIT RED WINGS</p>	 <p>Sauceshow</p> <p>NAME: MATTED RUSSO AGE: 17 HOMETOWN: CÔTE SAINT-LUC, QUÉBEC FAVOURITE PLAYER: SIDNEY CROSBY PLAYING GWC AS: FLORIDA PANTHERS</p>
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GWC North America (6/11) – [PlayStation 4 Console Final](#)

GWC Europe (6/4) – [ENCEKI Wins European Championship](#)

GWC North America (5/28) – [Xbox Series X Console Final](#)

GWC North America (5/21) – [PlayStation Console Semifinals](#)

GWC North America (5/14) – [Xbox Console Semifinals](#)

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

[Tournament format explainer video](#)

Saturday, June 18: NHL GWC North American Xbox One Final (12 p.m. ET)

Saturday, June 25: NHL GWC North American PS5 Final (12 p.m. ET)

Wednesday, July 6: NHL GWC North American Club Championship (1 p.m. ET)

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT


JIMI 'J- -JAMALTHEMAN' RONKKONEN

* Ronkkonen is a dominant hockey player on both the real and virtual ice. He plays forward for Hämeenlinna of the U20 Finnish Championship League.

* He was the League's [leading scorer](#) during the 2021-22 regular season, racking up 29 points (7-22—29) in 19 games.

* He also was named to the Second All-Star Team.


* Off the ice, Jamaltheman placed second at this year's GWC European Championship on June 4, losing only to ENCEKI in the Championship Series, 2-1.



Jimi Rönkkönen

J- -Jamaltheman

- 20-year-old ice hockey player from Hämeenlinna, Finland
- Studying Chemical Engineering at the University of Lappeenranta
- 2022: Finished 2nd at NHL GWC European Championship
- 2021: Finished in Top 8 at NHL GWC European Championship

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