

# JERSEY RETIREMENT



## #66 LEWIS CHRISTIE

Lewis Christie, wore #66, will have his jersey retired in recognition of his exceptional career spanning over 16 seasons with the Lightning. Joining the team in 2008 after stints with the Dundee Stars, Edinburgh Capitals, and Belfast Giants, Christie quickly grew into a cornerstone of the MK Lightning and became respected league wide as a consistent stay at home defenceman who put the team first before himself.

With an impressive record of 621 appearances - the most in MK Lightning history - Christie's combination of skill and leadership shone brightly during his final playing season, where he captained the team to a National Cup victory in 2024. And whether he's been captain or not, it's been clear to see Lewy's influence on team culture and his support and mentorship of younger players as they progress.

Reflecting on his journey, Christie remarked, "It's an absolute honour to have my shirt retired up in the rafters, especially as it is going to be up there alongside some of my teammates who I played with for most of my career. Milton Keynes will always hold a special place in my heart, and that is due to the incredible fans, the players, and the owners of the team. I am forever grateful for the team and the opportunities it has given me, not only to have been out there week on week playing the sport I love but also for the lifelong friendships I have made. I look forward to being able to come and watch the team play and support from the stands."

## #21 ROSS GREEN

Ross Green, will also see his number head to the rafters after a fantastic 16 year tenure and over 500 appearances for the club.

A Chelmsford native, Ross's journey began with the junior ranks of MK Storm under the guidance of coach Nick Poole (who's number 91 jersey also hangs in the rafters), where he developed his talent and passion for the game. Throughout his career, he proudly wore the Lightning jersey, and became known for an all round game of smooth skating, puck movement and always stepping up for his team mates when needed. Each goal he scored was celebrated by his dad buying a round in the bar after the game and he achieved this 5 times in his final season which along with 18 assists was his second highest season points tally ever.

In a moving farewell message, Green expressed gratitude for the support he received from fans and acknowledged the various people who played a pivotal role in his development. "To have my jersey retired by Milton Keynes Lightning is an incredible honour - one that I could never have imagined when I was a kid sitting in the stands, dreaming of one day playing for this club. From opening the gates for the players during warm-ups to finally pulling on the jersey myself, every moment has been a privilege.

I've been lucky enough to play over 500 games for the team I grew up supporting, and to have that journey recognised in this way means the world to me. Milton Keynes Lightning has been such a huge part of my life for so many years, and I hope that in some way, I've helped to shape the club's culture and inspire the next generation of players coming through".

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## NEXT HOME GAMES

-  APR 05/04/25 - 19:00  
PLAYOFF - ROUND ROBIN 2
-  APR 12/04/25 - 19:00  
PLAYOFF - ROUND ROBIN 3
-  APR 26/04/25 - 18:30  
JAMES GRIFFIN TESTIMONIAL

## PLAYOFF GROUPS

HOME	AWAY
Leeds Knights	Hull Seahawks
Sheffield Steeldogs	Peterborough Phantoms
Raiders	Telford Tigers
Swindon Wildcats	MK Lightning
Hull Seahawks	Leeds Knights
Peterborough Phantoms	Sheffield Steeldogs
MK Lightning	Swindon Wildcats
Telford Tigers	Raiders
Peterborough Phantoms	Leeds Knights
Sheffield Steeldogs	Hull Seahawks
MK Lightning	Telford Tigers
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Sheffield Steeldogs	Leeds Knights
Peterborough Phantoms	Hull Seahawks
Raiders	MK Lightning
Telford Tigers	Swindon Wildcats

### GROUP A

-  Leeds Knights
-  Hull Seahawks
-  Peterborough Phantoms
-  Telford Tigers

### GROUP B

-  MK Lightning
-  Swindon Wildcats
-  Sheffield Steeldogs
-  Romford Raiders



### SEMI-FINAL 1



### FINAL



### WINNER



### SEMI-FINAL 2



PLAY OFF - WARMUP



PLAY OFF - LIGHT



PLAY OFF - DARK

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## COACH'S COMMENTS



The fans were unbelievable for our final weekend and have stood with us all year. The commitment they showed coming all the way to Scotland and out cheering the opposition was amazing to be a part of. We played some great hockey on the weekend giving the fans a display of how we need to play come playoffs. Will played great in both games and hailed us out when we had a breakdown. The goal of this weekend was to gain this momentum heading into the playoffs and that is exactly what we did. The post season is upon us and it is what hockey is all about. We are focused and ready to take it one game at a time and continue to play the way we know we can.

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