

Grizz Gaming acquires Michael ‘Cooks’ Campbell and Rafel ‘Crush’ Davis in 3-team trade

Grizz Gaming Also Acquires 2023 First-Round Pick

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Grizz Gaming, the NBA 2K League affiliate of the Memphis Grizzlies, announced the team has acquired Cooks (Michael Campbell) and a 2023 first-round pick (16th overall) from Bucks Gaming in exchange for CP (Harry Friedman) and Dimez (Artreyo Boyd). Additionally, Grizz Gaming has acquired Crush (Rafel Davis) from the Gen.G Tigers in exchange for ReeseDaGod (Maurice Delaney).

Cooks averaged 18.8 points and 7.7 rebounds per game in 5v5 play last season. Cooks led Bucks Gaming to the Western Conference Finals in the 2023 5v5 NBA 2K League Playoffs. Cooks played a critical role for Bucks Gaming as they went on a run to win the 5v5 NBA 2K League Championship in 2022. Cooks was the second overall pick in the 2022 NBA 2K League Draft.

Crush averaged 5.9 points, 1.9



rebounds and 1.9 steals per game in 5v5 play for Gen.G last season. Crush was the third overall pick in the 2020 NBA 2K League Draft. Crush was key for the Tigers in clinching a spot in the 2023 5v5 NBA 2K League Playoffs.

CP averaged 24.5 points and 8.7 assists in 14 5v5 games for Grizz Gaming.

Dimez averaged 12.1 points and 10.3 rebounds in 14 appearances for Grizz Gaming.

ReeseDaGod tallied 13.2 points in 13 games for Grizz Gaming.

Fans can visit the team's website, grizzgaming.com, for all news, updates and happenings

regarding the team. Additionally, fans can follow the team on Twitch at twitch.tv/grizzgaming, @grizzgaming on Twitter/X and Instagram, as well as Grizzlies-Gaming on Facebook to follow along with the team's 2023 season.

About the NBA 2K League

The NBA 2K League, a professional esports league co-founded by the NBA and Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc. (NASDAQ:TTWO), launched in 2018 and features 25 teams and the best NBA 2K players in the world. NBA 2K League partners include Anheuser-Busch, AT&T, Champion Athleticwear, Coinbase, Dash Radio, Google, Loco, Mondelēz International, SAP, Snickers, Sony Interactive Entertainment, SPS, Wilson and YouTube. For more information about the NBA 2K League, visit NBA2KLeague.com.

SAF: A Federal judge strikes handgun sales ban for 18 to 20 year-olds in West VA case

BELLEVUE, WA — A federal district court judge in West Virginia has ruled that a federal law prohibiting handgun sales to 18-20-year-olds is “facially unconstitutional,” and granted a summary judgment in a case brought by the Second Amendment Foundation.

In a 40-page decision, U.S. District Chief Judge Thomas S. Kleeh with the Northern District of West Virginia wrote, “(B)ecause Plaintiffs’ conduct — the purchase of handguns — ‘fall[s] [within] the Second Amendment’s ‘unqualified command’ and the challenged statutes and regulations are not ‘consistent with the Nation’s historic tradition of firearm regulation,’ the Court FINDS 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(b)(1) and (c)(1) facially unconstitutional and as applied to Plaintiffs.”

He enjoined the defendants — in this case the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, ATF Director Steven Detelbach and Attorney General

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“There was never any historical evidence supporting this arbitrary ban on the purchase and ownership of handguns by young adults,” noted SAF founder and Executive Vice President Alan M. Gottlieb. “As we maintained all along, history goes in the opposite direction. At that age historically, young adults were considered mature enough to serve in the militia, the military and take on other responsibilities. We’re delighted with the judge’s ruling.”

The case was filed in September 2022. Joining SAF were the West Virginia Citizens Defense League and individual citizens Steven Robert Brown and Benjamin Weekly. They were represented by attorneys John H. Bryan of Union, W.Va., and SAF’s Kraut, who is a practicing attorney based in Westtown, Pa.

‘Dear Ilion... See Ya!’ An examination of Remington from sports-military 2

were quick to point that out, releasing a statement that said: “Unfortunately, like we have seen all too often in New York, burdensome regulations, crippling taxes and problematic energy and other policies continue to force businesses and companies to flee the state, taking jobs and livelihoods with them. We will continue to communicate with state and federal officials and work to help and assist the company’s employees and their families during this difficult times.”

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik (R-21) was somewhat more pointed in placing blame for the RemArms decision -and suggesting a remedy that will certainly irk most in the states political leadership. “It is because of New York Democrats’ unconstitutional gun grab policies that the oldest gun manufacturer in the country has been run out of the state,” Stefanik’s statement reads, “I have spoken with local officials and Remington Arms union members in the United Mine Workers of America, Local 717, about how we must stand up to New York’s failed unconstitutional gun bans.”

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Politically speaking, Stefanik’s not wrong. But there are other considerations RemArms cited while describing the “challenges” to operating in Ilion. Those include everything from the need for excessive handling of product and materials due to the plant’s layers, expenses of running a steam plant -and paying the associated natural gas and utility costs- for almost a million square feet of space (much of which is unused), and high and unexpected costs for maintenance and insurance.

RemArms letter also mentions “an environment in Georgia that supports and welcomes the fire-

arms industry.”

That points out the biggest fallacy in pro-manufacturing arguments in the states that form the manufacturing area of the east coast that was once described as “gun valley.”

Politicians and labor officials beam on every potential loss of jobs and attendant tax revenues, but continue to pass legislation designed to punish those same companies. It’s a disconnect that has finally begun too-much for companies to ignore.

As expected, government and union officials vow to continue to use all legal means to keep the union jobs “where they belong, in Ilion, New York.”

As always, we’ll keep you posted.

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Realtree announces lifetime agreement with Santa as official camo of Christmas

By The Fishing Wire

COLUMBUS, GA — In an exciting development, Realtree and Santa Claus are pleased to announce a renewed and lifetime agreement solidifying Realtree as the official camo of Christmas. This marks the second year of the partnership, and with a lifetime term, the collaboration is expected to bring even more cheer and joy this season as Santa prepares to make his holiday journey decked out in Realtree camo once again.

Santa Claus, ever committed to delivering joy to children worldwide, will be equipped with an assortment of trusted gear for his Christmas duties. “Lots has happened over the past year,” noted Claus. “That whole crew at Realtree has been working with loads of manufacturers and brands this year, and it’s going to be fun seeing the smile on peoples’ faces when they open up presents and see what Realtree has in store.”

Top-of-the-line products and brands including Thaca gear, ArcticShield’s all-new Prodigy line, King’s Camo, Gator Waders boots and waders, Nomad apparel, bags/packs from the Allen Company, and more are on deck to be showcased this season and aboard Santa’s sleigh.

Last year, this unique partnership attracted strong media attention and press. The dynamic assortment of Realtree decorated apparel, hard goods, and accessories offers Claus everything he needs when taking flight on Christmas Eve, from layering for warmth to the assurance of remaining unseen in Realtree patterns. Activation around the

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program will also include Santa showcasing product in action and even some behind-the-scenes looks detailing how Santa fell in love with the outdoors and how he manages his day-to-day operation. Many will enjoy exclusive content and even some of the best-kept stories — and misconceptions — around how Rudolph joined the team of reindeer (unconfirmed reports indicate that ‘Red Nose’ was caught on Santa’s Spartan trail cam as he was being taunted by a group of racoons guarding a corn pile). Camo Santa will also be helping Realtree unveil their 12 days of Christmas promotion to commence on December 1st.

Realtree’s Bill Jordan was asked about the lifetime deal as the official camo of Christmas, and what it means for the brand. “Santa drove a hard bargain. Lifetime deals are hard to come by and we really had to make sure we were prepared to deliver on our end as well. We feel like between the assortment of licensed products we offer and the seasonal demand we see every

year, this is going to continue to be lots of fun,” said Jordan. He continued, “Last year our customers and B2B partners really enjoyed seeing what Realtree and Santa pulled off together.” While official terms of the deal were not disclosed, Realtree did share that they will have several days with Santa for content shoots and select personal appearances, including Realtree’s 3rd annual First Responder luncheon in Columbus, Georgia on December 8, 2023.

With this lifetime agreement, Realtree and Santa Claus are committed to delivering a magical Christmas season filled with joy, laughter, and the spirit of the holidays. As the world’s leading designer of photorealistic camouflage, Realtree has always been at the forefront of innovation. Gear up with Realtree and be sure to enjoy your time with family and friends outdoors this holiday season to make it a very Merry Christmas. Keep an eye out for camo Santa, too. He’s tougher than ever to see when he’s wearing Realtree.

About Realtree

Realtree is the world’s leading camouflage designer, marketer, and licensor with over 1,000 licensees utilizing the Realtree camouflage brand. Thousands of outdoor and lifestyle products are available in Realtree camouflage patterns. In addition, Realtree is committed to supporting individuals and groups that work to ensure our outdoor heritage, the conservation of natural places, and the wildlife that resides there.

Find Realtree on [Realtree365](https://www.realtree.com), Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and at Realtree.com.

TN Driver Services host statewide food drive now through January 31

Non-Perishable Food Items Are Being Accepted from December 4th to January 31st

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - The Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security’s (TDOSHS) Driver Services division is partnering with Donate Life Tennessee, Tennessee Donor Services and Mid-South Transplant Foundation for the Keeping Tummies

and Hearts Full of Love Winter Food Drive.

From Monday, Dec. 4 through Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024, Tennesseans can bring non-perishable food items to any Driver Services Center in Tennessee. Food items will be donated to local food banks and organizations to help those in need.

“I encourage Tennesseans to show their volunteer spirit and

support our winter food drive,” said TDOSHS Commissioner Jeff Long. “Many of our fellow Tennesseans struggle with food insecurity. This holiday season, we can give the gift of kindness and help feed our neighbors.”

To locate the Driver Services Centers across Tennessee, visit <https://www.tn.gov/safety/driver-services/locations.html>.

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Seven professional sports leagues and international federations hold seventh joint session to advance the health and safety of sports

NEW YORK — Dec. 4, 2023 — Medical leaders representing the Australian Football League (AFL), Canadian Football League (CFL), International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF), National Football League, National Hockey League (NHL), National Rugby League (NRL) and World Rugby (WR) gathered for the seventh International Collision Sport Group Meeting to discuss the latest innovations and best practices in the health and safety

of sports.

During the two-day conference held Dec. 1 and 2, 2023, at the NFL office in New York City, medical leaders shared ongoing research and best practices on a series of topics including: concussion identification and reduction efforts; protective equipment; sports science and performance management in injury prevention; head contact measurement strategies; and emergency preparedness efforts,

among others.

The leagues and federations are committed to enhancing further collaboration and information sharing among the organizations’ medical leadership, as well as with sports health and safety experts around the world. The leagues and federations remain committed to delivering exceptional care to elite athletes and continuing research to advance their safety on the field of play.

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