

# BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS GAME NOTES



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**13 GP, 6-7-0-0 = 12 PTS**  
7th Atlantic Division

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

Bridgeport Game 14

Referees: Liam Sewell, Olivier Gouin

## HARTFORD WOLF PACK

**14 GP, 6-7-0-1 = 13 PTS**  
6th Atlantic Division

7 p.m. ET @ XL Center

Bridgeport Road Game 08

AHL Game 205

Linesmen: Paul Simeon, Derek Wahl



BRI	2017-18	HFD
6-7-0-0	<b>Record</b>	5-7-0-1
2-4-0-0	<b>Home</b>	3-4-0-0
4-3-0-0	<b>Away</b>	2-3-0-1
15.3% (22)	<b>PP</b>	25.8% (1)
85.0% (10)	<b>PK</b>	81.8% (20)
16.77 (7)	<b>PIM (Avg)</b>	14.27 (16)
3.00 (T16) 2.77 (T9)	<b>Goals For/ Against</b>	2.73 (T22) 3.60 (T26)
32.85 (3) 26.85 (3)	<b>Shots For/ Against</b>	31.53 (9) 32.07 (26)

### THE STORY COMING IN

The Bridgeport Sound Tigers travel to the XL Center tonight for a 7 p.m. rematch against the Hartford Wolf Pack following a 2-1 setback at home last Saturday. The Sound Tigers have now dropped two in a row, but the club returns to a venue tonight where it is 6-1-1-0 since Jan. 29, 2016. Ryan Bourque scored Bridgeport's only goal on the power play Saturday night - his first with the Sound Tigers, which also came against the team he spent five seasons with to begin his pro career (and captained in 2015-16). Bourque and teammate Steve Bernier each enter tonight's contest on a three-game point streak.

### TIGERS VS. WOLF PACK

Tonight's contest marks the fourth of 10 meetings between the Sound Tigers and Wolf Pack this season, and the second of five matchups at the XL Center. Bridgeport is 2-1-0-0 against Hartford this season, including a 5-1 victory on the road on Oct. 27. Michael Dal Colle, Connor Jones and Josh Ho-Sang all recorded multiple points that night, while Christopher Gibson made 23 saves on 24 shots.

### VIEW FROM HARTFORD

The Wolf Pack have recorded points in three straight games (2-0-1-0) for the second time this season following a 3-2 overtime loss to the Laval Rocket on Sunday. Dan Catenacci scored for the second straight game and Vinni Lettieri netted his team-leading sixth goal of the season, while Alex Georgiev made 37 saves that afternoon. Georgiev has played in five straight games and has started each of the last three, stopping 101 of the last 107 shots he has seen. Offensively, Cole Schneider and former Sound Tiger Joe Whitney lead the club with 11 points in 15 games.

### AHO-LY MOLY

Sebastian Aho became the first Sound Tigers defenseman to ever record a hat trick when he scored three times in Providence on Nov. 5. He added another tally last Wednesday and now leads all AHL blue-liners with six goals this season. In addition, Aho is tied for the league lead in game-winning goals (three), is tied for seventh among AHL defensemen with nine points (six goals, three assists) and ranks second on the Sound Tigers in scoring. Aho, who rolls into tonight's game with five points in his last three games, was selected by the New York Islanders in the fifth round of the 2017 NHL Draft.

### KILLING IT ON THE KILL

The Sound Tigers penalty kill has been sensational over the last three weeks and enters tonight's game 29 for its last 31 (93.5%), dating back to Oct. 27. In addition, the team's penalty kill is 22 for 23 (95.7%) over its last five outings. It currently ranks 10th in the AHL.

### SHOT THROUGH THE HEART

The Sound Tigers have recorded a season-high 44 shots in each of their last two games, climbing to third in the AHL with more than 32 shots/game on average. Devon Toews leads the club with 15 shots during that span, while Casey Bailey paces the Sound Tigers overall this season with 42. Bridgeport has outshot its opponents in 11 of 13 games year and all six of the team's wins have come when logging at least 30 shots on goal.

### QUICK HITS

Six of the Sound Tigers last 13 goals have been scored by defensemen... Christopher Gibson is 11th in the AHL with a 2.32 goals-against-average... Gibson is two appearances from tying Stephon Williams (2015-17) for seventh place on the team's all-time games played list for netminders... Ross Johnston is tied for the league lead with 51 penalty minutes... Scott Eansor is tied for third among rookie goal-scorers (seven).

### AFFILIATE REPORT

NHL: New York Islanders (9-6-2): Next vs. Carolina Hurricanes - Tomorrow, 7 p.m. ET

ECHL: Worcester Railers (5-6-1-0): Next at Manchester - Friday, 7 p.m. ET

BRI	LEADERS	HFD
Fritz 12	<b>Points</b>	2 Tied 11
2 Tied 7	<b>Goals</b>	Lettieri 6
Fritz 9	<b>Assists</b>	3 Tied 7
Johnston 51	<b>PIM</b>	Crawley 31
2 Tied 3	<b>Wins</b>	2 Tied 3

### 2017-18 Season Series: 2-1-0-0

<b>Oct. 22</b>	<b>HFD at BRI</b>	<b>6-3 W</b>
Oct. 27	BRI at HFD	5-1 W
<b>Nov. 11</b>	<b>HFD at BRI</b>	<b>1-2 L</b>
Nov. 15	BRI at HFD	7 p.m.
<b>Nov. 24</b>	<b>HFD at BRI</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Dec. 23	BRI at HFD	3 p.m.
<b>Jan. 10</b>	<b>HFD at BRI</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Feb. 7	BRI at HFD	11 a.m.
<b>Feb. 18</b>	<b>HFD at BRI</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
Mar. 31	BRI at HFD	7 p.m.

BRI vs. HFD	GP	G	A	PTS
M. Dal Colle (BRI)	3	1	3	4
T. St. Denis (BRI)	3	1	2	3
M. Vande Sompel (BRI)	2	1	2	3
D. Toews (BRI)	3	0	3	3
T. Fritz (BRI)	3	1	1	2

Recent Transactions: Bridgeport
Nov. 11 - Josh Ho-Sang (RW) recalled by NY Islanders, emerg.
Nov. 8 - Alan Quine (C) recalled by NY Islanders (Conditioning)
Oct. 29 - Matt Gaudreau (LW) loaned to Worcester, ECHL
Recent Transactions: Hartford
Nov. 10 - Adam Chapie (RW) reassigned from Greenville, ECHL
Nov. 6 - Alexei Bereglazov (D) reassigned to Magnitogorsk, KHL
Oct. 27 - Garrett Noonan (D) released from SPC

Bridgeport Last 3 / Next 3 Games			
Nov. 5 @ Providence	6-0 W	Nov. 18 vs. Charlotte	7 p.m.
Nov. 8 vs. Lehigh Valley	2-4 L	Nov. 19 vs. Springfield	3 p.m.
Nov. 11 vs. Hartford	1-2 L	Nov. 24 vs. Hartford	7 p.m.
Hartford Last 3 / Next 3 Games			
Nov. 5 vs. Springfield	4-2 W	Nov. 17 @ Rochester	7:05 p.m.
Nov. 11 @ Bridgeport	2-1 W	Nov. 18 @ Utica	7 p.m.
Nov. 12 vs. Laval	3-2 OTL	Nov. 24 @ Bridgeport	7 p.m.