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#### Upcoming games for the Hartford Wolf Pack:

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Wed. Dec. 14	@ Milwaukee Admirals	8:00 p.m.	@ UW-Milwaukee Arena
Fri. Dec. 16	@ Grand Rapids Griffins	7:00 p.m.	@ Van Andel Arena
Sat. Dec. 17	@ Rockford IceHogs	8:00 p.m.	@ BMO Harris Bank Center
Thur. Dec. 22	V. Springfield Thunderbirds	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
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# Head-to-head:

This is the first of two meetings this season between the Wolf Pack and the Griffins, and the lone matchup at the XL Center during the 2022-23 campaign. The sides will conclude their rare season series on December 16th at Van Andel Arena. This is the first time that the Wolf Pack and Griffins have met since January 2nd, 2009. That night, the Wolf Pack claimed a 3-1 victory at the XL Center. **Mike Ouellette** had the game-winning goal for Hartford that night. Griffins won the first-ever meeting between the teams, 3-2, on November 14th, 2008, in Grand Rapids. **Jakub Kindl** had the winner for the Griffins. This is the final game of a three-game homestand for the Wolf Pack, while it is the second of a two-game New England road trip for the Griffins. Grand Rapids was in Springfield last night. This is the second of five consecutive games for the Wolf Pack against Central Division opponents. They'll visit the Milwaukee Admirals on Wednesday night to open a three-game Midwest road trip.

#### **Wolf Pack Notebook:**

The Wolf Pack dropped their sixth decision in the last seven games with a 2-0 loss at the hands of the Admirals last night at the XL Center. **Markus Nurmi** scored the game-winning goal 13:31 into the second period, deflecting a **Phil Tomasino** shot home for his eighth goal of the season. **Tommy Novak** would add the insurance marker 1:50 into the third period, while **Yaroslav Askarov** stopped 24 Wolf Pack shots for his first AHL shutout. **Andy Welinski** leads the Wolf Pack in scoring with eleven points (4 g, 7 a). **Tim Gettinger**, meanwhile, leads the club in goals with six, while **Will Cuylle** and **Lauri Pajuniemi** are second on the club with five goals each. F **Ryan Carpenter** was assigned to the Wolf Pack by the New York Rangers on Friday. He's wearing #14.

## **Griffins Notebook:**

The Griffins opened their rare trip to New England with a 2-1 comeback overtime victory over the Springfield Thunderbirds last night. **Alex Chiasson** tied the game 16:55 into the third period, securing a point for the Griffins and forcing the three-on-three period. **Jared McIsaac** made quick work of the overtime, scoring 56 seconds in to give the Griffins the win. **Taro Hirose** leads the Griffins in scoring with 23 points (6 g, 17 a) in 22 games. **Joel L'Esperance**, meanwhile, leads the club in goals with ten on the season.

#### Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

Hershey (4) @ Bridgeport (1) Charlotte (1) @ Lehigh Valley (2) Cleveland (1) @ Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (8) San Diego (0) @ Calgary (3) Manitoba (0) @ Abbotsford (7) Belleville (2) @ Laval (1) SO
Utica (5) @ Rochester (2)
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Ontario (4) @ Tucson (3) OT
Coachella Valley (8) @ San Jose (3)

Toronto (5) @ Syracuse (2) Grand Rapids (2) @ Springfield (1) OT Chicago (2) @ Texas (5) Henderson (3) @ Colorado (2) Milwaukee (2) @ Hartford (0)

## Tonight in the AHL (all times Eastern):

Belleville @ Laval (3:00) Cleveland @ Hershey (7:00) Milwaukee @ Springfield (7:05) Ontario @ Tucson (9:00) Coachella Valley @ Bakersfield (10:00)

Rochester @ Toronto (4:00) Utica @ Syracuse (7:00) Iowa @ Rockford (8:00) Henderson @ Colorado (9:05) Providence @ Bridgeport (7:00) Charlotte @ Lehigh Valley (7:05) Chicago @ Texas (8:00) Manitoba @ Abbotsford (10:00)

#### **New York Rangers Notebook:**

The Rangers won their third game in a row on Friday night, edging the Colorado Avalanche 2-1 in the shootout. **Braden Schneider** scored for the Rangers 4:56 into the second period, while **Mika Zibanejad** and **Artemi Panarin** scored in the shootout. **Igor Shesterkin** made 41 saves in the victory. The Rangers next host the Devils on Monday night at Madison Square Garden.

## Tonight in the NHL (all times Eastern):

Ottawa @ Nashville (1:30) Buffalo @ Pittsburgh (7:00) Carolina @ Islanders (7:30) Detroit @ Dallas (2:00) Calgary @ Toronto (7:00) Minnesota @ Vancouver (10:00) Florida @ Tampa Bay (4:30) Los Angeles @ Montréal (7:00)