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

Fri.	Jan. 27	@ Providence Bruins	7:05 p.m.	@ Amica Mutual Pavilion
Sat.	Jan. 28	Vs. Syracuse Crunch	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Wed.	Feb. 1	Vs. Providence Bruins	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Fri.	Feb. 3	Vs. Utica Comets	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Sat.	Feb. 4	Vs. WBS Penguins	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center

## Head-to-head:

This is the sixth of twelve meetings between the Wolf Pack and the Islanders during the 2022-23 season, and the second of six at the XL Center. The sides will again meet back in Hartford on February 17<sup>th</sup> in the seventh installment of the 'Battle of Connecticut'. The Wolf Pack have won each of the last two meetings, most recently taking a 7-3 decision on December 27<sup>th</sup>. **Ryan Carpenter** notched a hattrick in the victory, the first by a Wolf Pack player since April of 2021. **Cristiano DiGiacinto**, **Lauri Pajuniemi**, **Bobby Trivigno**, and **Karl Henriksson** also lit the lamp in the victory. **Henriksson's** goal in the victory was the first of his AHL career. The Islanders hold a 3-2 edge in the season series thanks to three consecutive victories, all in Bridgeport, to start the season. The Wolf Pack won the only other meeting in Hartford by a score of 4-3 on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Wolf Pack Notebook:**

The Wolf Pack collected their second consecutive victory on Sunday, scoring a 4-3 comeback decision over the Bruins in Providence. Jonny Brodzinski and Ty Emberson both lit the lamp in the first period, while Vinni Lettieri scored shorthanded for the home side. The Bruins took a 3-2 lead in the middle frame thanks to a powerplay goal by Lettieri and a five-on-five goal from Connor Carrick. Carpenter evened the score at 9:55, pouncing on a rebound to force overtime for the second time in three meetings between the foes. In overtime, Tanner Fritz fed Will Cuylle on a two-on-one and the rookie buried his first career overtime winner just 65 seconds in. The win was Hartford's first this season when trailing after two periods. On Tuesday, the Rangers recalled Cuylle while loaning F Sammy Blais to the team on a conditioning stint. Turner Elson leads the Pack in scoring with 23 points (8 g, 15 a). Cuylle leads the way in goals with 13, while Frtiz's 18 assists top the club in that category.

#### **Islanders Notebook:**

The Islanders dropped a 3-2 decision to the visiting Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins on Saturday night. Sam Houde and Alex Nylander opened the scoring with goals a minute apart, striking at 15:51 and 16:51 of the opening frame. Samuel Bolduc would tie the game with a pair of goals, scoring at 17:58 of the first period and then at 3:31 of the second, but Drake Caggiula broke the tie with his ninth goal of the season 18:07 into the middle stanza. That goal would stand as the eventual game-winner. On Sunday, the parent New York Islanders (NHL) recalled Bolduc. He made his NHL debut on Monday night in Toronto. On Tuesday, the Islanders recalled G Henrik Tikkanen from loan to ECHL Worcester. Chris Terry leads the Islanders in points with 37 (11 g, 26 a), while Andy Andreoff leads the way in terms of goals with 19. Four different Islanders have scored double-digit goals this season.

### Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (1) @ Utica (5) Rockford (1) @ Iowa (2) **OT** Chicago (1) @ Tucson (5) Ontario (3) @ Calgary (4) Toronto (0) @ Abbotsford (4)

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

Belleville @ Laval (7:00) Charlotte @ Utica (7:00) Hershey @ Lehigh Valley (7:05)
Wilkes-Barre/Scranton @ Rochester (7:05) Chicago @ Tucson (8:30) Ontario @ Calgary (9:00)
Toronto @ Abbotsford (10:00) San Jose @ Henderson (10:00) Bakersfield @ San Diego (10:00)

## **New York Rangers Notebook:**

The Rangers scored a 6-2 victory over the Florida Panthers on Monday night at Madison Square Garden. **Jimmy Vesey** scored the eventual game-winner 15:03 into the second period, putting the club ahead 3-1 at the time. **Adam Fox, Alexis Lafrenière,** and **Filip Chytil** also scored, while **Mika Zibanejad** had a pair of goals. The Rangers, 26-14-7, are in Toronto tonight to take on the Maple Leafs.

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

Islanders @ Ottawa (7:00) Rangers @ Toronto (7:00) Carolina @ Dallas (8:30) Columbus @ Edmonton (9:30)