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Upcoming games for the Hartford Wolf Pack:

Fri.	Oct. 24	Vs. Bridgeport Islanders	7:00 p.m.	@ PeoplesBank Arena
Sat.	Oct. 25	@ Springfield Thunderbirds	6:05 p.m.	@ MassMutual Center
Wed.	Oct. 29	Vs. Charlotte Checkers	7:00 p.m.	@ PeoplesBank Arena
Fri.	Oct. 31	Vs. Lehigh Valley Phantoms	7:00 p.m.	@ PeoplesBank Arena
Sat.	Nov. 1	Vs. Lehigh Valley Phantoms	6:00 p.m.	@ PeoplesBank Arena

Head-to-head:

This is the first of ten meetings between the Wolf Pack and the Thunderbirds this season. It is the first of five meetings at PeoplesBank Arena. The sides will meet next on Saturday night in Western Massachusetts, with puck drop set for 6:05 p.m. The 'I-91 Rivalry' is presented by **Braman Pest Control**. The Thunderbirds won seven of eight meetings between the sides during the 2024-25 season, posting a record of 7-2-1-0. The Wolf Pack, meanwhile, went 3-7-0-0 in the season series. The Wolf Pack did win the most recent meeting, taking a 4-3 shootout decision on Feb. 28. Trailing 3-2 late in the game, **Anton Blidh** scored at 13:45 of the third period to tie the game 3-3 and force overtime. In the extra session, the Wolf Pack outshot the Thunderbirds 5-0, but could not push the winner by **Colten Ellis**. In the shootout, **Alex Belzile** scored in the first round, but **Matt Luff** kept the Thunderbirds alive with a goal in the third round. Still tied entering the seventh round, **Blake Hillman** took his first career shootout attempt and beat **Ellis**. **Samuel Johannesson** was then denied by **Louis Domingue**, giving the Wolf Pack the two points. The Wolf Pack went 2-3-0-0 at home against the Thunderbirds during the 2024-25 campaign.

Wolf Pack Notebook:

The Wolf Pack suffered their third straight loss to open the season on Saturday night, dropping a 5-2 decision to the Providence Bruins in Rhode Island. **Jonathan Aspirot** broke the ice just 3:39 into the hockey game, burying his first goal as a member of the Bruins. **Jaroslav Chmelař** tied the game at 7:21, but just over five minutes later the Bruins retook the lead for good. **Riley Tufte's** third goal of the season came at 12:35, then less than a minute later **Dans Ločmelis** extended the lead to 3-1. **Billy Sweezey's** goal 49 seconds into the second period ballooned the lead to 4-1, then **Georgii Merkulov** banked a puck in off a Wolf Pack player at 11:30 to make it 5-1. **Trey Fix-Wolansky** stopped the bleeding at 12:32, making it 5-2, but that was as close as the Wolf Pack could draw it. This is the first time the Wolf Pack has lost three straight games to start a season since the 2022-23 campaign. That year, the Wolf Pack lost their first four games, posting a record of 0-2-1-1. This marks the first time the Wolf Pack have lost three straight games in regulation to start a season since the 2006-07 campaign. They took a 2-1 shootout decision over the Bridgeport Sound Tigers in their fourth game.

Thunderbirds Notebook:

The Thunderbirds picked up their first victory of the season on Sunday evening, downing the Hershey Bears 5-1 at the Giant Center. **Jacob Stancil** opened the scoring 7:06 into the first period, giving the T-Birds a lead they never lost. **Hunter Skinner** made it 2-0 at 19:36, scoring the eventual game-winning goal. **Luff** and **Dalibor Dvorský** extended the lead to 4-0 by the 14:11 mark of the second period, putting the result out of reach. **Henrik Rybinski** got the Bears on the board at 15:24, but **Theo Lindstein** restored the four-goal cushion at 19:37. **Vadim Zherenko** made 28 saves to pick up the victory.

Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

No Games

Tonight in the AHL (all times Eastern):

Laval @ Belleville (7:00)	Syracuse @ Rochester (7:05)	Lehigh Valley @ Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (7:05)
Colorado @ San Diego (10:00)	Coachella Valley @ San Jose (10:00)	

New York Rangers Notebook:

The Rangers dropped a 3-1 decision on home ice to the Minnesota Wild on Monday night. **Artemi Panarin** struck 57 seconds into the opening period, giving the home side a 1-0 lead. **Jonas Brodin** tied the game at 5:10, however. **Danila Yurov** then broke the tie 8:16 into the third period, putting the Wild ahead for good. **Kirill Kaprizov** hit the empty net at 18:24 to end the intrigue. Now 3-4-1, the Rangers welcome the San Jose Sharks to town on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Tonight in the NHL (all times Eastern):

Minnesota @ New Jersey (7:00)	Detroit @ Buffalo (7:30)	Montréal @ Calgary (8:30)
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Springfield Thunderbirds AT Hartford Wolf Pack



Wednesday, October 22, 2025

PeoplesBank Arena

AHL GAME #61

Hartford Wolf Pack					0-3-0-0 = 0)					Springfield Thunderbirds					1-2-0-0 = 2)				
Team Game: 4					Home: 0-1-0-0					Team Game: 4					Home: 0-1-0-0				
Home Game: 2					Road: 0-2-0-0					Home Game: 2					Road: 1-1-0-0				
PP: 0.0% 91.7%					OT: 0-0 SO: 0-0					PP: 18.2% 71.4%					OT: 0-0 SO: 0-0				
NHL Affiliate: New York Rangers										NHL Affiliate: St. Louis Blues									

#	Goaltender	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%	#	Goaltender
31	Dylan Garand	6-1	176	2	0	2	0	0	3.10	0.898	1	Vadim Zherenko
40	Talyn Boyko	6-8	201	1	0	1	0	0	5.01	0.773	30	Georgi Romanov

#	Skater	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-	#	Skater	Pos	Ht
3	Cooper Moore	D	6-2	187	2	0	0	0	2	1	4	Theo Lindstein	D	6-0
4	Casey Fitzgerald	D	5-11	181	3	0	0	0	9	-1	6	Corey Schueneman	D	6-0
5	Chris Ortiz	D	5-10	180	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	Leo Lööf	D	6-1
6	Gavin Hain	C	5-11	196	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	Samuel Johannesson	D	5-11
7	Case McCarthy	D	6-1	198	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	Michael Buchinger	D	6-0
9	Brett Berard	F	5-9	165	3	0	0	0	4	-5	11	Hugh McGing	F	5-10
10	Adam Šýkora	F	5-10	179	3	1	0	1	0	-1	13	Kale Kessy	LW	6-4
11	Carey Terrance	F	6-1	187	3	0	0	0	0	-4	15	Dalibor Dvorský	F	6-1
13	Sullivan Mack	F	6-1	190	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	Nikita Alexandrov	C	6-0
14	Connor Mackey	D	6-2	195	3	0	2	2	0	-2	18	Juraj Pekarcik	F	6-2
18	Bryce McConnell-Barker	F	6-2	194	3	0	1	1	2	0	22	Dylan Peterson	F	6-4
19	Brendan Brisson	F	6-0	198	3	0	0	0	0	-4	26	Simon Robertsson	F	6-0
21	Anton Blidh	F	6-0	195	3	0	0	0	0	-3	28	Otto Stenberg	F	5-11
23	Kalle Väisänen	F	6-5	194	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	Sam Bitten	F	6-2
25	Blake Hillman	D	6-1	200	3	0	1	1	0	-2	39	Matt Luff	RW	6-3
28	Dylan Roobroeck	F	6-7	205	3	0	1	1	0	0	41	Aleksanteri Kaskimäki	F	6-0
37	Justin Dowling	C	5-10	180	3	0	0	0	0	-2	44	Anthony Kehrer	D	5-11
38	Jackson Dorrington	D	6-2	192	3	0	0	0	2	-4	45	Marc-André Gaudet	D	6-3
42	Jaroslav Chmelar	F	6-5	220	3	1	0	1	0	-1	49	Jakub Stancl	F	6-3
51	Derrick Pouliot	D	6-1	205	3	0	2	2	2	-3	55	Hunter Skinner	D	6-3
55	Scott Morrow	D	6-2	195	1	0	0	0	0	0	63	Matthew Peca	C	5-10
64	Trey Fix-Wolansky	F	5-7	193	3	2	0	2	0	1	88	Chris Wagner	C	6-0
78	Brennan Othmann	F	6-0	186	3	0	1	1	4	0	91	Nikita Susuyev	F	6-0
94	Gabe Perreault	F	5-11	179	3	1	1	2	2	1				

HOCKEY OPERATIONS STAFF			
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Brendan Burke	Goaltending Coach	Dan Stewart	Goaltending Coach
Matthew Woodard	Video Coach	Dylan Schoen	Video Coach

TONIGHTS OFFICIALS			
Referees	Will Kelly (#29), Austin O'Rourke (#19)	Linesperson	Shawn Oliver (#66), Jack McQuesten (#45)