



VS.



Upcoming games for the Hartford Wolf Pack:

Fri.	Dec. 8	@ Laval Rocket	7:00 p.m.	@ Place Bell
Sat.	Dec. 9	@ Laval Rocket	3:00 p.m.	@ Place Bell
Fri.	Dec. 15	V. Rochester Americans	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Sun.	Dec. 17	V. Toronto Marlies	3:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Fri.	Dec. 22	V. Bridgeport Islanders	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center

Head-to-head:

This is the first of four meetings between the Wolf Pack and the Monsters this season and the first of two at the XL Center. The season series wraps up back in Hartford on Thursday, February 22nd, 2024. The sides will play twice in Cleveland before then, with the games coming on January 26th and 27th at the Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse. This is the first meeting between the sides since February 13th, 2009, when the then-Lake Erie Monsters came to the XL Center. The Wolf Pack won that game by a final score of 6-2, with **Corey Potter** notching the game-winning goal. **Potter** was named the first star of the game after collecting three points (2 g, 1 a), while **Matt Zaba** made 22 saves to pick up the victory. Both **P.A. Parenteau** and **Patrick Rissmiller** had two points (1 g, 1 a) in the win. **Chris Durno** and **Tom Fritsche** had the goals for Lake Erie. There were a combined 18 powerplays in the game, with the Monsters going 1-for-10 and the Wolf Pack going 3-for-8.

Wolf Pack Notebook:

The Wolf Pack won their sixth consecutive game on Saturday night, completing a weekend sweep of the Lehigh Valley Phantoms with a 5-4 overtime decision. Trailing 2-0 after one period of play, **Brennan Othmann** sent the teddy bears flying just 1:13 into the middle period to make it a 2-1 game on 'Teddy Bear Toss Night'. 24 seconds later, **Matt Rempe** tied the game at 1:37 when he jammed home a loose puck at the side of the goal. **Karl Henriksson** gave the Wolf Pack their first lead of the night at 16:52, completing a three-goal period when he deflected home a shot from **Mac Hollowell**. **Brett Berard** made it a 4-2 game 5:29 into the third period when he collected a blocked shot and lasered a second-chance opportunity over the glove of **Felix Sandstrom**. The Phantoms responded 33 seconds later, however, as **Jordy Bellerive** fired a one-timer home from the right-wing circle at 6:02. Then, at 16:01, **Garrett Wilson** tipped a **Ronnie Attard** shot in the slot to tie the game 4-4 and force overtime. After killing 38 seconds of penalty time to open the overtime, the Wolf Pack went on the powerplay at 1:51 when **Samu Tuomaala** was whistled for tripping. One second after the penalty expired, **Othmann** snapped the game-winner into the net at 3:52. **Jonny Brodzinski**, currently recalled by parent New York Rangers (NHL), leads the Wolf Pack in both goals with eleven and points with 25 (11 g, 14 a). **Hollowell** leads the club in assists, meanwhile, with 19. Those 19 assists are tied for the league lead and lead all defensemen in the AHL.

Monsters Notebook:

The Monsters scored five times in the opening period on Sunday against the Utica Comets, taking a 5-2 lead into the intermission. The club led 6-3 12:56 into second period, as **Emil Bemstrom** extended the lead with his tenth goal of the season. From there, however, the Monsters would surrender four unanswered goals, including three in the third period, to suffer a stunning 7-6 defeat on home ice. **Samuel Laberge** tied the game at 12:50 of the third period for the Comets, then **Daniil Misyul** fired home the game-winning goal at 15:34 to complete the comeback. **Luca Del Bel Belluz** notched a career-high three assists in the loss, while **Bemstrom** finished the afternoon with three points (1 g, 2 a). **Owen Sillinger** (1 g, 1 a) and **Mikael Pyhytia** (2 a) also recorded multi-point outings. The loss snapped a five-game winning streak for the Monsters and was their first defeat since a 7-5 loss to the Rochester Americans on November 18th. **Bemstrom** leads the club in goals with ten in just eight games, while **Trey Fix-Wolansky** leads the club in points with 22 (6 g, 16 a) in just 16 games. His 22 points rank him tied for fourth in the AHL in points. On Saturday, the parent Columbus Blue Jackets (NHL) loaned goaltender **Daniil Tarasov** to the Monsters on a conditioning stint.

Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

Grand Rapids (4) @ Toronto (5) OT Rockford (1) @ Iowa (6)

Tonight in the AHL (all times Eastern):

Belleville @ Laval (7:00) San Diego @ Milwaukee (8:00) Henderson @ Ontario (10:00)

New York Rangers Notebook:

The Rangers dropped a 6-2 decision to the Ottawa Senators last night at the Canadian Tire Centre. **Vladimir Tarasenko** scored the game-winning goal for the Senators, while both he and **Brady Tkachuk** scored twice. **Artemi Panarin** and **K'Andre Miller** scored for the Rangers in the loss. Now 18-5-1, the Rangers next visit the Washington Capitals on Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

Tonight in the NHL (all times Eastern):

Dallas @ Florida (7:00) Pittsburgh @ Tampa Bay (7:00) Vegas @ St. Louis (9:00)
Carolina @ Edmonton (9:30)

Cleveland Monsters (13-5-1-0) vs. Hartford Wolf Pack (14-4-2-0)
Dec 6, 2023 -- XL Center
AHL Game #311

GOALIES

#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
30	Pavel Cajan	6-2	176	7	3	2	1	0	3.19	0.905
40	Daniil Tarasov	6-5	196	1	1	0	0	0	2.00	0.917
73	Jet Greaves	6-0	191	12	9	3	0	1	3.09	0.899

SKATERS

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
4	Corson Ceulemans	D	6-2	194	11	0	1	1	4	-4
5	Stanislav Svozil	D	6-0	192	14	1	6	7	4	1
6	Billy Sweezy	D	6-1	204	15	0	1	1	18	1
7	Nick Blankenburg	D	5-9	178	18	3	8	11	20	9
10	Brendan Gaunce	C	6-3	219	19	6	7	13	8	7
11	James Malatesta	LW	5-9	197	15	4	2	6	8	0
12	Owen Sillinger	LW	5-10	178	19	2	4	6	19	1
18	Jake Gaudet	C	6-2	205	3	0	0	0	0	-2
20	Samuel Knazko	D	6-1	199	8	0	2	2	0	-1
21	Josh Dunne	C	6-4	208	13	1	2	3	13	1
23	Jake Christiansen	D	6-0	190	19	4	12	16	14	6
24	Justin Pearson	LW	6-1	196	14	0	0	0	8	-10
25	Stefan Matteau	LW	6-2	207	4	1	0	1	9	3
34	Cole Clayton	D	6-2	199	11	0	2	2	6	2
37	Roman Ahcan	LW	5-10	177	2	0	0	0	0	-1
41	Hunter McKown	C	6-1	198	18	3	3	6	12	-3
42	Cameron Butler	RW	6-4	216	8	0	0	0	8	-2
47	Marcus Bjork	D	6-4	212	18	3	4	7	10	5
52	Emil Bemstrom	RW	6-0	193	8	10	4	14	6	9
64	Trey Fix-Wolansky	RW	5-7	198	16	6	16	22	12	9
65	Luca Del Bel Belluz	C	6-1	182	12	2	7	9	2	-1
72	Carson Meyer	RW	5-11	193	19	9	2	11	23	5
77	Tyler Angle	C	5-10	176	12	1	2	3	10	-4
82	Mikael Pyhtia	LW	6-0	174	19	2	11	13	0	7

Team Staff

Chris Clark	General Manager
Trent Vogelhuber	Head Coach
Mike Haviland	Associate Coach
Mark Letestu	Assistant Coach
Brad Thiessen	Goaltending Coach
Mike Monti	Video Coach

GOALIES

#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
31	Dylan Garand	6-1	176	11	7	2	2	1	2.89	0.904
50	Olof Lindbom	6-2	183	1	0	1	0	0	2.11	0.895
70	Louis Domingue	6-3	210	8	7	1	0	1	1.88	0.935

SKATERS

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
5	Ben Harpur	D	6-6	231	7	1	2	3	2	-1
9	Brett Berard	F	5-9	165	20	5	7	12	8	-1
10	Matej Pekar	C	6-1	185	2	0	1	1	2	-1
14	Connor Mackey	D	6-2	195	11	1	3	4	21	11
15	Turner Elson	F	5-11	185	9	1	2	3	4	1
16	Jake Leschyshyn	F	5-11	199	9	1	2	3	4	0
18	Zach Berzolla	D	6-2	196	9	1	0	1	12	1
20	Riley Nash	F	6-1	192	20	9	10	19	26	9
21	Anton Blidh	F	6-0	195	18	4	3	7	24	7
24	Karl Henriksson	F	5-9	176	16	3	0	3	2	1
25	Blake Hillman	D	6-1	200	11	0	5	5	2	-2
26	Grant Gabriele	D	6-2	196	4	0	0	0	0	-2
27	Nikolas Brouillard	D	5-10	172	20	2	11	13	20	-2
29	Adam Sykora	F	5-10	179	20	3	8	11	0	8
32	Matt Rempe	F	6-7	207	20	3	2	5	36	-3
34	Adam Edstrom	F	6-8	225	18	7	2	9	14	6
38	Ryder Korczak	F	5-11	172	18	3	4	7	14	0
41	Bobby Trivigno	F	5-7	160	14	2	2	4	10	2
44	Matthew Robertson	D	6-4	201	19	0	7	7	10	3
55	Alex Belzile	F	6-0	205	20	7	14	21	12	2
58	Brandon Scanlin	D	6-4	216	20	1	5	6	12	7
78	Brennan Othmann	F	6-0	186	20	8	9	17	25	-2
81	Mac Hollowell	D	5-9	170	15	1	19	20	20	12
96	Cristiano DiGiacinto	F	5-11	188	0	0	0	0	0	0

Team Staff

Ryan Martin	General Manager
Steve Smith	Interim Head Coach
Paul Mara	Assistant Coach
Jamie Tardif	Assistant Coach
Jeff Malcolm	Goaltending Coach
Chris Hoeler	Video Coach

OFFICIALS

Referee	Samuel Heidemann (#60)
Referee	Peter Schlittenhardt (#12)
Linesperson	Matt Heinen (#38)
Linesperson	Dylan Lewis (#18)