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Upcoming games for the Hartford Wolf Pack:

Sat.	Feb. 3	Vs. Springfield Thunderbirds	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Fri.	Feb. 9	Vs. Bridgeport Islanders	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Sat.	Feb. 10	Vs. Providence Bruins	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Fri.	Feb. 16	Vs. Laval Rocket	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Sat.	Feb. 17	@ Bridgeport Islanders	7:00 p.m.	@ Total Mortgage Arena

Head-to-head:

This is the fifth of six meetings between the Wolf Pack and Penguins this season. It is the second of three meetings between the sides at the XL Center, where the season series will conclude on April 19th. The Wolf Pack took the first meeting on October 20th, scoring a 5-0 victory in their home opener. Since then, however, the Penguins have rattled off three straight victories on home ice. The Penguins prevailed on October 28th (4-2), January 7th (2-1), and most recently on January 24th (4-1). In that most recent meeting, the Pens struck just 65 seconds into the game when **Jesse Puljujärvi** scored his third goal of the season. **Alex Nylander** potted the eventual game-winning goal at 3:42 of the first period, while **Jack St. Ivany** (10:44) and **Sam Poulin** (13:01) added insurance markers in the middle stanza. **Brennan Othmann** got the Wolf Pack on the board at 7:48 of the third period, blasting home a powerplay goal from the right-wing circle. The home team is 4-0-0-0 in the season series, which is led by the Penguins (3-1-0-0). The Wolf Pack have won three straight games at home against the Penguins and have a nine-game point streak (7-0-1-1) at the XL Center. The Penguins last regulation victory in Hartford came on February 12th, 2020 (2-1).

Wolf Pack Notebook:

The Wolf Pack dropped the opener of their six-game homestand on Wednesday night, falling 4-2 to the Charlotte Checkers. **Karl Henriksson** opened the scoring 8:18 into the game, snapping his eighth goal of the season over the shoulder of **Spencer Knight**. **Cameron Morrison** tied the contest at 11:39, collecting a rebound and lifting a backhand home for his second goal of the season. Just 1:51 later, **Lucas Carlsson** put the Checkers ahead when he gloved down a clearing attempt, settled the puck, and blasted a shot into traffic that clipped off a Wolf Pack player in front. After a scoreless second period, the Pack found the equalizer with their fifth shorthanded goal of the season 12:00 into the third period. **Brett Berard** blazed into the offensive zone and fired home his first career shorthanded goal to make it 2-2. Just 2:51 later, however, **Gerry Mayhew** potted a centering feed for his ninth goal of the season, the eventual game-winner. **Rasmus Asplund** tacked on an empty net goal at 18:32 to seal the victory. **Berard** leads the Wolf Pack in goals with 13 on the season. **Alex Belzile** leads the team in points with 33 (12 g, 21 a), while **Mac Hollowell** leads the way in assists with 29.

Penguins Notebook:

The Penguins dropped a 4-1 decision on Wednesday night on home ice against the Toronto Marlies. It was the club's second straight defeat. After a scoreless first period, **Josiah Slavin** opened the scoring at 4:08 of the second period with his fifth goal of the season. **Jonathan Gruden** evened the tilt at 7:22 of the third period, scoring his ninth goal of the season in his first game since January 17th. 18 seconds later, however, the Marlies retook the lead for good. **Nick Abruzzese** potted his seventh goal of the season at 7:40 to put the Marlies ahead 2-1. Both **Logan Shaw** and **Zach Solow** hit the empty net in the final three minutes as the Marlies pulled away. **Nylander** leads the Penguins in goals with 13, while defenseman **Ty Smith** paces the club in points with 28 (6 g, 22 a). **Smith's** 22 assists lead the club in that department.

Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

Calgary (2) @ Coachella Valley (5)

Tonight in the AHL (all times Eastern):

Chicago @ Cleveland (7:00)	Springfield @ Bridgeport (7:00)	Providence @ Charlotte (7:00)
Rochester @ Laval (7:00)	Belleville @ Syracuse (7:00)	Toronto @ Utica (7:00)
Hershey @ Lehigh Valley (7:05)	Manitoba @ Milwaukee (8:00)	Grand Rapids @ Rockford (8:00)
Bakersfield @ Texas (8:00)	San Jose @ Abbotsford (10:00)	Iowa @ Henderson (10:00)
Colorado @ Ontario (10:00)	Tucson @ San Diego (10:00)	

New York Rangers Notebook:

The Rangers scored a dominating 7-2 victory in Ottawa over the Senators on Saturday night. **Zac Jones** scored his first goal of the game at 9:12 of the second period, putting the Rangers ahead 3-2. The goal would stand as the game-winner. **Artemi Panarin** led the way with three points (1 g, 2 a), while former Wolf Pack players **Jones** (1 g, 1 a), **Chris Kreider** (1 g, 1 a), **Jonny Brodzinski** (1 g, 1 a), and **Will Cuyllie** (1 a) all found the scoresheet. The Rangers, first in the Metropolitan Division with a 30-16-3 record, are currently on their All-Star break. They will host the Colorado Avalanche on February 5th at 7:00 p.m. in their next outing.

Tonight in the NHL (all times Eastern):

2024 NHL All-Star Skills Competition (7:00)

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins (23-16-5-0) vs. Hartford Wolf Pack (22-12-5-0)
Feb 2, 2024 -- XL Center
AHL Game #657

GOALIES

#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
30	Joel Blomqvist	6-2	187	25	13	7	3	0	2.13	0.921
40	Garret Sparks	6-3	205	2	0	1	0	0	3.70	0.862
45	Magnus Hellberg	6-6	220	15	8	6	1	0	2.82	0.909

SKATERS

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
3	Jack St. Ivany	D	6-3	195	41	2	8	10	20	8
4	Taylor Fedun	D	6-1	200	25	0	7	7	32	9
5	Ryan Shea	D	6-1	177	5	0	0	0	2	2
7	John Ludvig	D	6-1	213	3	0	0	0	2	0
9	Marc Johnstone	RW	6-0	181	39	3	6	9	29	-1
11	Alex Nylander	RW	6-1	192	36	13	12	25	6	-1
12	Corey Andonovski	RW	6-1	195	37	2	13	15	63	0
13	Vinnie Hinostroza	C	5-10	180	18	5	7	12	12	1
15	Joona Koppanen	LW	6-5	210	40	3	9	12	20	-2
18	Jesse Puljujärvi	RW	6-4	201	12	4	4	8	6	6
22	Sam Poulin	C	6-2	213	24	11	5	16	25	9
23	Jagger Joshua	LW	6-3	210	41	3	6	9	37	1
24	Ty Smith	D	5-11	180	40	6	22	28	18	-8
26	Austin Rueschhoff	RW	6-7	230	39	5	6	11	42	-6
34	Peter Abbondonato	C	5-10	194	38	6	15	21	4	-4
37	Matt Filipe	LW	6-2	196	31	4	3	7	18	-2
44	Jonathan Gruden	C	6-0	190	34	9	5	14	32	-4
47	Sam Houde	C	6-0	172	12	4	8	12	2	-2
48	Valtteri Puustinen	RW	5-9	183	19	5	5	10	4	-8
51	Jack Rathbone	D	5-10	177	42	6	5	11	19	6
53	Dmitri Samorukov	D	6-3	188	36	3	6	9	16	-6
61	Xavier Ouellet	D	6-0	200	36	1	13	14	25	7
63	Radim Zohorna	C	6-7	225	8	1	3	4	0	2
79	Owen Headrick	D	6-0	183	12	1	2	3	2	-1
80	Raivis Ansons	LW	6-1	186	10	2	2	4	6	-1
85	Avery Hayes	RW	5-10	175	10	0	1	1	4	-2

Team Staff

Erik Heasley	General Manager
J.D. Forrest	Head Coach
Sheldon Brookbank	Assistant Coach
Kevin Porter	Assistant Coach
Nick Biamonte	Video Coach

GOALIES

#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
31	Dylan Garand	6-1	176	20	11	5	3	2	2.63	0.911
70	Louis Domingue	6-3	210	18	11	5	2	1	2.60	0.907

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#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
4	Bryan Yoon	D	6-1	172	3	0	0	0	0	0
5	Ben Harpur	D	6-6	231	7	1	2	3	2	-1
9	Brett Berard	F	5-9	165	39	13	11	24	34	-9
10	Matej Pekar	C	6-1	185	15	0	4	4	27	-4
13	Nick Bonino	C	6-1	186	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Connor Mackey	D	6-2	195	29	2	6	8	49	14
15	Turner Elson	F	5-11	185	25	3	4	7	13	1
16	Jake Leschyshyn	F	5-11	199	17	4	3	7	10	-1
18	Zach Berzolla	D	6-2	196	9	1	0	1	12	1
20	Riley Nash	F	6-1	192	24	9	13	22	28	10
21	Anton Blidh	F	6-0	195	35	5	6	11	53	9
24	Karl Henriksson	F	5-9	176	35	8	6	14	8	4
25	Blake Hillman	D	6-1	200	29	2	7	9	2	1
27	Nikolas Brouillard	D	5-10	172	39	3	17	20	54	-4
29	Adam Sykora	F	5-10	179	35	4	12	16	0	8
32	Matt Rempe	F	6-7	207	39	7	4	11	90	-8
34	Adam Edstrom	F	6-8	225	24	8	2	10	14	3
38	Ryder Korczak	F	5-11	172	36	4	7	11	20	-5
41	Bobby Trivigno	F	5-7	160	33	3	8	11	21	2
42	Artem Anisimov	C	6-4	205	11	1	2	3	6	4
44	Matthew Robertson	D	6-4	201	36	2	13	15	18	-6
55	Alex Belzile	F	6-0	205	39	12	21	33	24	-6
58	Brandon Scanlin	D	6-4	216	39	6	6	12	25	2
78	Brennan Othmann	F	6-0	186	36	10	20	30	35	-8
81	Mac Hollowell	D	5-9	170	34	2	29	31	32	8
96	Cristiano DiGiacinto	F	5-11	188	9	1	1	2	2	1

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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	Tanner Doiron (#1)
Referee	Alex Lepkowski (#74)
Linesperson	Jeremy Faucher (#85)
Linesperson	Matt Heinen (#38)