



NEW JERSEY DEVILS

GAME INFORMATION



Florida Panthers (0-2-0) at New Jersey Devils (1-0-1) • 7:00 PM ET • Prudential Center • MSGN/MSG+/Listen: [DEVILS HOCKEY NET](#)

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~ 12:00 p.m. E.T. (approx.) – Media Availability for select players and Head Coach Lindy Ruff, please contact Devils PR for requests*

Last Game:

Arizona Coyotes 4 (SO) New Jersey Devils 3
(1-0-0 – 2 PTS) (1-0-1 – 3 PTS)

Three Stars: **1. J. Bratt** **2. J. Hughes** **3. K. Vejmelka**

SCORE	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	OT	SO	FINAL
Arizona	1	1	1	0	1	4
DEVILS	0	3	0	0	0	3

Goals:

ARI: M. Dumba, S. Durzi (PPG), N. Schmaltz (PPG), Schmaltz (GDG)

NJD: J. Bratt (2, 1 PPG), D. Hamilton (PPG),

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INJURIES/ILLNESS

PLAYER	INJURY/illness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost : 0

TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
9/26	Cam Squires	Assigned to QMJHL, Cape Breton
	Cole Brown	Assigned to OHL, Brantford
9/29	Filip Engaras	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	T.J. Friedmann	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Joe Gambardella	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Timur Ibragimov	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Xavier Parent	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Ryan Schmelzer	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Colin Felix	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Will MacKinnon	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Robbie Russo	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Topias Vilen	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Tyler Brennan (G)	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Tyler Wotherspoon	Placed on Waivers
	Josh Filmon	Assigned to WHL, Swift Current
10/2	Michael Vukojevic	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Kyle Criscuolo	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>CLEARED on 10/3</i>
10/3	Daniil Misyul	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Graeme Clarke	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Chase Stillman	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Erik Kallgren (G)	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>CLEARED on 10/4</i>
10/4	Cal Foote	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>CLEARED ON 10/5</i>
10/5	Jeremy Brodeur (G)	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
10/7	Santeri Hatakka	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Isaac Poulter (G)	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Max Willman	Signed to 1-year, 2-way contract
	Max Willman	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>Cleared on 10/8</i>
	Tyce Thompson	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>Cleared on 10/8</i>
	Justin Dowling	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>Cleared on 10/8</i>
	Shane Bowers	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – <i>Cleared on 10/8</i>
10/9	Simon Nemeč	Assigned to Utica
	Nico Daws (G)	Placed on I.R. non-roster

	Keith Kinkaid (G)	Placed on I.R. non-roster
	Nolan Foote	Placed on I.R. non-roster
	Brian Halonen	Placed on I.R. non-roster

WHAT TO KNOW

New Jersey opens its 41st season since relocating to the Garden State from Colorado in 1982-83.

New Jersey earned a franchise record 52 wins and 112 points in the standings last season.

Jersey's team did not suffer a shutout in 2022-23, and the last time the team was shutout was on Apr. 24, 2022, in a 3-0 loss to Detroit at the Rock.

The 82 games played last season marked the longest stretch in franchise history for a single season that the team didn't suffer a shutout.

Prior to 2022-23, the longest stretch in a single season that the Devils did not suffer a shutout was 80 games, which were played from Oct. 9, 1987, to Apr. 3, 1988.

The team's longest stretch in franchise history over multiple seasons without experiencing a shutout against were 111 games played from Jan. 5, 1999, to Feb. 29, 2000. The team enters Friday night's contest vs Florida with 87 consecutive regular-season games without being shutout.

New Jersey's power play is ranked tied for ninth (EDM) in NHL: 27.3%, 3/11.

After Thursday night's win vs Detroit, the Devils improved to 23-10-4-4 in season-opening games since 1982-83.

Jersey's team now owns a home record of 14-3-2-3 when opening a regular season at home since 1982-83.

New Jersey kicks off the 2023-24 regular season with a three-game homestand, which concludes on Monday vs Florida. The team then plays at the NY Islanders on Fri., Oct. 20, for its first road contest of the season.

New Jersey is scheduled to wear its black alternate jersey for the first time on Oct. 27, vs Buffalo.

COACH'S CORNER

Head Coach **Lindy Ruff** enters his fourth season with New Jersey, after he signed a multi-year contract extension on Wednesday, October 11th.

Ruff owns 835 career regular season wins, which ranks fifth all-time for all NHL head coaches. He needs 15 wins to pass Ken Hitchcock (849 wins) for sole possession of fourth place for all-time wins that an NHL head coach earned.

Ruff owns 99 career regular-season wins with New Jersey and needs one more victory for 100 career wins with the Devils. His 100 career wins with New Jersey would tie him with Doug Carpenter (1985-1988) for the fourth most wins that a head coach earned with New Jersey.

Ruff has coached 222 regular-season games with New Jersey, which are the fifth most for a head coach in franchise history. He'll pass Peter DeBoer for fourth place all-time in franchise history once he coaches in his 249th career regular-season game with New Jersey.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Devils are scheduled to play in the 2024 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series game on Sat., Feb. 17, at MetLife Stadium vs the Philadelphia Flyers (8:00 P.M. E.T.). It marks the team's second Stadium Series contest (vs NYR, at Yankee Stadium, 7-3 loss).

New Jersey is also slated for 16 back-to-back sets this season, which are the most back-to-back games in the NHL for 2023-24. Washington and Minnesota rank second for this matter with 15 back-to-back sets during the 2023-24 campaign.

THE SWISS CONNECTION

After road contest at Washington on March 9, 2023 for the first time in NHL history four Switzerland players on one team played in a game. New Jersey's **Nico Hischier**, **Timo Meier**, **Jonas Siegenthaler** and goaltender **Akira Schmid** played in the victory.

COMEBACK KIDS

New Jersey led the NHL with 26 comeback wins last season, which set a new franchise record. The team passed the 2017-18 team's 23 comeback wins, which was the previous franchise record in a single season.

Per NHL Pr, the most comeback wins in a single season for NHL history is shared by the Panthers (29 in 2021-22) and Lightning (29 in 2018-19).

THE RANKS

NJD:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.00	13 th
GF/GP, 3.50	15 th (tied w/ 3 teams)
SA/GP, 34.0	23 rd
SF/GP, 31.5	15 th

FLA:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 4.00	23 rd
GF/GP, 2.00	25 th
SA/GP, 28.0	10 th
SF/GP, 37.0	4 th

(Per one day before game)

2023-24 TEAM STATS

RECORD ON DAYS OF THE WEEK

The Devils record on Monday in **2023-24...0-0-0**

Record in night games in **2023-24...1-0-1...home: 1-0-1...road: 0-0-0**

Record in day games in **2023-24...0-0-0...home: 0-0-0...road: 0-0-0**

2023-24 Alternate jersey record...0-0-0

RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST

Scoring first...**0-0-0**...Trailing first...**1-0-1**

The longest duration of a game this season: 2:43, Oct. 13, vs ARI (4-3, SOL)

Team's average: H: 6'2" | W: 197lbs | A: 27 years old

PLAYERS BY COUNTRY

CAN-10

CHE-4

USA-3

CZE-3

SWE-2

FIN-1

GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL
1	0-1	-1
2	5-2	+3
3	2-3	-1
OT	0-0	0-0
SO	0-1	-1
TOTAL	7-7	-

Note: The team's +65 goal differential in 2022-23 was the team's third highest in franchise history:

1. 2000-01: +100
2. 1993-94: +86

BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

Overall: 1-0-1

First game: 1-0-0 | home: **1-0-0** | road:

Second game: 0-0-1 | home: **0-0-1** | road:

New Jersey logged a 15-8-1 record in back-to-back games last season. The Devils were 6-5-1 in first half games played and 9-3-0 in second half games played for this matter in 2022-23.

New Jersey's next back-to-back set is scheduled for Oct. 24, at Montreal/ Oct. 25 vs Washington.

2022-23: HIGHS & LOWS

THE LAST TIME IN THE REGULAR SEASON THE DEVILS...

Stat	HOME	AWAY
Had a shutout	3/12/23, 3-0, W, vs CAR, V. Vanecek, 32 saves	3/28/21, 1-0 at BOS, M. Blackwood, 40 saves
Were shutout	4/24/22, vs DET, 3-0, A. Nedeljkovic, 17 saves	11/2/21, at ANA, 4-0, J. Gibson, 28 saves
Scored 10 goals	N/A	N/A
Scored 9 goals	3/23/93, 9-3, vs TB	10/28/00, 9-0, at PIT
Scored 8 goals	1/14/19, 8-5, vs CHI	3/14/18, 8-3, at VGK
Allowed 10 goals	10/25/84, 11-2, vs NYR	12/4/85, 10-7, at TOR
Allowed 9 goals	1/18/85, 9-6, vs NYR	3/12/19, 9-4, at CGY
Allowed 8 goals	11/11/92, 8-3, vs MTL	3/31/22, 8-1, at BOS
Had 50 shots in a game	10/30/22, 53, vs CBJ, 7-1 W	3/3/23, 50, at VGK, 4-3, Lso
Allowed 50 shots	2/16/20, 55 vs CBJ, 4-3 Wso	1/19/21, 50 at NYR, 4-3 W
Had no shots in a period	1/7/83, 3 rd per. Vs BOS, 2-2 T	N/A
Allowed no shots in a period	1/6/17, 3 rd per. Vs TOR, 4-2 L	10/10/98, 1 st per. At CHI, 2-1 L
Allowed 1 shot in a period	4/5/22, 2 nd per. 3-1, L vs NYR	2/13/11, 3 rd per. 3-2 SO win @ FLA
Had 1 shot in a period	1/31/15, 2 nd per., vs FLA	1/15, 2015, 2 nd per. At ANA
Had a penalty shot	4/3/18, T. Hall, scored, vs H. Lundqvist, 5-2 W vs NYR	12/12/22, J. Hughes, denied, vs I. Shesterkin, 4-3 Lo, at NYR
Faced a penalty shot	2/8/20, A. Kopitar, unsuccessful vs. M. Blackwood in 3-0 win vs. LAK	4/2/23, M. Barron, scored, vs V. Vanecek in 6-1 L at WPG
Had a hat-trick	4/4/23, D. Mercer vs T. Jarry in a 5-1 win vs PIT	3/19/23, J. Bratt vs A. Vasilevskiy in 5-2 win at TBL
Allowed a hat-trick	4/3/22 J. Pageau vs. N. Daws in 4-3 loss vs. NYI	1/31/22, A. Matthews vs. Akira Schmid in 6-4 loss @ TOR

(Excludes overtime)

2022-23 TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY	7, 2 times, last:	4/6, vs CBJ, 8-1, W
Largest Margin of Defeat	5	4/2, at WPG, 6-1, L
MOST GOALS, GAME	8	4/6, vs CBJ, 8-1, W
Most Goals Allowed, Game	6, 4 times, last:	4/2, at WPG, 6-1, L
MOST GOALS, PERIOD	4, twice, last: 3rd per.	4/6, vs CBJ, 8-1, W
Most Goals Allowed, Period	4, 4 times, last: 3rd per.	3/18 at FLA, 4-2, L
FASTEST GOAL, START OF GP	0:29	R. Graves, at SJS, 1/16/23, 4-3, Wso
Fastest Goal Allowed, Start of GP	0:11	12/1, vs NSH, R. Johansen, 4-3, Lo
FASTEST GOAL START OF PER.	0:07	J. Bratt, at CBJ, 2/14/23, 3-2, W
Fastest Goal Allowed Start of Per.	1:00	12/9, vs NYI, C. Clutterbuck, 6-4, L
MOST SHOTS IN A GAME	53	4/6, vs CBJ, 8-1, W
MOST SHOTS, PERIOD	6, 2 times, last: 3rd per.	D. Hamilton, 3/21 vs MIN, 2-1, L
Most Shots Allowed, period	5, 3 times, last: 1st per.	B. Marchand, 4/8, 2-1, L
FEWEST SHOTS, GAME	20	11/8, vs CGY, 3-2, W
Fewest Shots Allowed, Game	17, 3 times, last:	4/6, vs CBJ, 8-1, W
FEWEST SHOTS, PERIOD	2, 2nd per.	1/22, at PIT, 2-1, Wo
Fewest Shots Allowed, Period	3, 2 times, last: 3rd per.	3/16, vs TBL, 3-2, Lso
MOST PENALTY MINUTES, GAME	25	11/1, AT VAN, 5-2, W
Most Penalty Minutes Opp. Game	41	12/21, at FLA, 4-2, W
FEWEST PENALTY MINUTES, GP	0	3/11, At MTL, 3-1, W
Fewest Penalty Minutes, Opp. GP	0	3/11, at MTL, 3-1, W
LONGEST WINNING STREAK	13	10/25/22-11/21/22
LONGEST POINTS STREAK	13...13-0-0	10/25/22-11/21/22
LONGEST LOSING STREAK	4	12/13/22-12/20/22
LONGEST WINLESS STREAK	6...0-5-1	12/9/22-12/20/22

INDIVIDUAL SEASON HIGHS

MOST GOALS, GAME	3, 3 times; last: D. Mercer	Vs PIT, 4/4
MOST GOALS, OPPONENT	2, 21 times, last: P. Zacha	At BOS, 4/8
MOST ASSISTS, GAME	3, 7 times; last: N. Bastian	Vs BUF, 4/11
MOST Assists, OPPONENT	3, P. Buchnevich	Vs STL, 1/5
MOST POINTS, GAME	4, 3 times; last: J. Hughes	Vs CBJ, 4/6
MOST Points, OPPONENT	3, 10 times; last: K. Palmieri	At NYI, 3/27
MOST SHOTS, GAME	10, 3 times; last: J. Hughes	Vs Min, 3/21
MOST Shots, OPPONENT	10, A. Lee	Vs NYI, 12/9
MOST POINTS, PERIOD	3, 2 times, last: J. Marino (3a)	Vs CBJ, 4/6
Most Points Allowed, Period	2, 41 times, last: T. Bertuzzi (2a)	At BOS, 4/8
BEST +/-, GAME	+4, 6 times, last: J. Marino	4/6, vs CBJ
Best +/- Opponent, Game	+5, R. Josi	1/26, at NSH
WORST +/-, GAME	-3, 21 times, last: E. Haula	4/2, at WPG
Worst +/- Opponent, Game	-4, 5 times, last: R. Johnson	4/1, at CHI
MOST PENALTY MINUTES, GAME	17, 3 times, last: M. Wood	3/25, vs OTT
Most PIM Opponent, Game	17, 2 times, last: R. Hartman	2/11, at MIN
CONSECUTIVE GOAL SCORING STREAK	8, D. Mercer (10g-5a)	2/16-3/3
CONSECUTIVE ASSISTS STREAK	6, J. Hughes (2g-8a)	3/30-4/8
CONSECUTIVE POINT STREAK	12, D. Mercer (11g-9a)	2/16-3/11

VS FLA

The Devils and Florida face-off for the first of three matchups this season:

Jan. 13, at FLA, 6:00 P.M. E.T.

Mar. 5, vs FLA, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

New Jersey logged a 1-2-0 record vs Florida in 2022-23.

ALL-TIME vs FLA

Record: 57-35-7-7

Home: 33-16-3-2

Road: 24-19-4-5

DID YOU KNOW...

The most goals in franchise history earned in a single game vs Florida is seven goals, which was earned twice, last earned: Nov. 9, 2021, at the Rock (7-3, W).

The most goals that the Devils allowed in a single game vs Florida is seven, which was logged on Apr. 2, 2022, in a 7-6 overtime loss at the Rock.

The most shots that Jersey earned in a single game vs Florida is 50, which was recorded on Mar. 23, 2004, in a 4-3 win at Florida.

The most shots that the Devils allowed in a single game vs Florida is 47, which was logged on Apr. 10, 1994, in a 2-2 tie at Florida.

The last time that the Devils shut out Florida was on Jan. 20, 2010, after a 2-0 win at the Rock (M. Brodeur, 22 saves).

The last time Florida shut out the Devils was on Jan. 9, 2017, in a 2-0 loss at the Rock (R. Luongo, 28 saves).

The Devils and Florida met in the Stanley Cup Playoffs twice. New Jersey swept the Cats in 1999-00 during the Eastern Conference Quarter-Finals, and then eliminated Florida in seven games during the 2011-12 ECF Quarter-Finals.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Fri., Oct. 20, at NYI, 7:30 P.M.

Tue., Oct. 24, at MTL, 7:15 P.M.

Wed. Oct. 25, vs WSH, 7:30 P.M.

Fri. Oct. 27, vs BUF, 7:00 P.M. j

PLAYER NOTES

Jack Hughes enters Monday night's contest with five points (2g-3a) in the team's first two games of the 2023-24 campaign.

The most points that a player earned in the team's first three games of a season for franchise history is six:

PLAYER	GP	PTS	SEASON	G	A	PTS
Greg Adams	3	6	1985-86	0	6	6
Jesper Bratt	3	6	2017-18	3	3	6
Mel Bridgeman	3	6	1986-87	3	3	6
Brian Gionta	3	6	2006-07	3	3	6
JACK HUGHES	3	6	2020-21	2	4	6
John MacLean	3	6	2995-96	3	3	6
Kyle Palmieri	3	6	2018-19	6	0	6

Hughes also logged two penalties on opening night vs Detroit, which marked just the second time in his career that he served multiple penalties in a single game, last: 4/18/21 vs NYR (12 PIM).

Additionally, Hughes earned his first career roughing penalty during regular-season play...took a rough against Carolina in the 2022-23 Stanley Cup Playoffs (Game 3).

Hughes logged three assists on Friday, Oct. 13, which tied a career-high. The last, and first, time that Hughes earned three helpers in a single contest was on Feb. 24, 2022, at Pittsburgh.

Hughes' career-high for points in a game is four, which he logged on Apr. 6, 2023, in an 8-1 win vs Columbus (2g-2a).

Jesper Bratt logged his 13th multi-goal game on Oct. 13, vs Arizona (2g-1a), after he also netted a power-play goal in the outing. The three-point effort also tied a career-high, which Bratt has now recorded 12 times.

JUST DOUGIE BEING DOUGIE

Dougie Hamilton owns goals in consecutive games, and there have been nine instances in franchise history when a player earned a three-game goal streak to open a regular season:

Player	Streak	Streak Started	Streak Ended	G	A	PTS
Miles Wood	3	1/14/2021	1/19/2021	3	1	4
Kyle Palmieri	3	10/6/2018	10/14/2018	6	0	6
Mike Cammalleri	3	10/9/2014	10/14/2014	4	1	5
Randy McKay	3	10/3/1997	10/8/1997	3	0	3
Claude Loiselle	3	10/9/1987	10/14/1987	3	0	3
Mel Bridgman	3	10/9/1986	10/15/1986	3	3	6
Merlin Malinowski	3	10/5/1982	10/9/1982	3	2	5
Randy Pierce	3	10/11/1980	10/14/1980	3	2	5
Guy Charron	3	10/8/1975	10/14/1975	3	1	4

The 6-foot-6 blueliner became the fifth player in franchise history who earned a goal in three, or more, consecutive home openers:

PLAYER	STREAK	SEASON SPAN
Sergei Brylin	4	2002-03-2006-07
John MacLean	4	1985-86-1988-89
Brian Gionta	3	2005-06-2007-08
Petr Sykora	3	1999-00-2001-02
DOUGIE HAMILTON	3	2021-22-2023-24

(Per NHL Pr)

HOW SWISS IT IS

Jonas Siegenthaler not only led all skaters in Thursday's win vs Detroit with three points (0g-3a), but earned his first-career three-assist outing. It also marked the defenseman's third-career three-point night, last: Feb. 25, 2023, vs PHI (1g-2a).

Per NHL Pr, "**Jonas Siegenthaler** (0-3—3) posted three assists and joined **Will Butcher** (0-3—3 on Oct. 7, 2017) and **Viacheslav Fetisov** (1-2—3 on Oct. 5, 1991) as the third defenseman in Devils/Rockies/Scouts history to record three points in a season-opening game."

Additionally, Siegenthaler leads the team with six blocks, after he led New Jersey with three blocks in each of the team's first two games of 2023-24.

QUICK HITS

Tomas Nosek played in his 400th career NHL game on Fri., Oct. 13.

New Jersey fell to 1-0-1 when allowing the first goal in a game this season.

Tyler Toffoli earned an assists in consecutive games, after connecting with fellow linemates J. Hughes and Bratt – Bratt’s second goal of the contest (PPG).

Blueliner **Brendan Smith** logged five shots on goal, which marked the seventh time in his career that he recorded five, or more, shots in a single game. Smith’s career-high is six shots on goal in a game, which he logged three times, last: 4/21/22 vs WPG, as a member CAR.

The five shots on goal marked his most since joining the Devils last season.

Alexander Holtz left the game early in the third period and did not return after a puck deflected toward his cheek area.

Nathan Bastian logged his season debut on Fri., Oct. 13 (10:37 TOI) and replaced **Curtis Lazar** on the Nosek-McLeod line (right-side).

EVERYBODY’S TALKING ‘BOUT THE NEW KIDS IN TOWN

Timo Meier enters his first full season with New Jersey, after the forward earned a career-high 40 goals in 2022-23. Meier earned nine goals and five assists for 14 points in 21 regular-season contests with the Devils last season.

Meier also changed his number from 96 to 28, and became the 28th player in franchise history to wear the number.

Luke Hughes made his NHL debut late last season (Apr. 11 vs BUF), and enters his official rookie campaign. Hughes netted the overtime-winning goal in his second career game (Apr. 13, at WSH), and became the third player in franchise history whose first career NHL goal was earned in overtime (Y. Sharangovich & J. Merrill).

Tyler Toffoli was acquired in an offseason trade from Calgary and is fresh off career-highs for goals (34), assists (39) and points (73). Additionally, the forward netted a career-high 10 PPG in 2022-23, and also netted four game-winning goals. Toffoli is the first player in franchise history to wear No. 73.

Veteran skaters **Tomas Nosek**, **Chris Tierney** and **Colin Miller** also joined the fold. Miller and Nosek were teammates together in 2017-18 with Vegas – which advanced to the 2017-18 Stanley Cup Final.

TIMELESS...

Dawson Mercer has played in 166 consecutive games since he began his NHL career in 2021-22. Mercer owns the franchise record for the most consecutive games played to start an NHL career, after he passed Scott Gomez 140 consecutive games played from the start of an NHL career.

Mercer’s 166 consecutive games played currently ranks tied for 15th in the NHL for all active skaters.

Luke and **Jack Hughes** can become the first set of brothers in franchise history who score a goal in the same game.

BETWEEN THE PIPES

Vitek Vanecek recorded 33 wins last season and become the second netminder in franchise history who earned 30, or more, wins in a single season. Prior to 2022-23, Martin Brodeur was the only netminder in franchise history who earned 30-or-more wins in a single season with the Devils, which he logged 14 times.

Akira Schmid shined in the 2022-23 playoffs, and earned his first-career postseason shutout (vs NYR) and became the third rookie netminder in franchise history who earned a shutout in the Stanley Cup Playoffs. The Swiss native was the first rookie netminder in franchise history who earned two shutouts in a single postseason.

Schmid became the first netminder in franchise history who won his first-three career postseason appearances.

Vanecek started in the team's opener, while Schmid played the next night on Oct. 13, vs Arizona.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Player	Current Status	Potential Milestone
HC* Lindy Ruff	99 career NJD wins	100 career NJD wins
Kevin Bahl	68 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Nathan Bastian	164 career GP	200 career GP
Jesper Bratt	391 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	175 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	279 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Dougie Hamilton	753 career GP	800 career GP
	448 career points	500 career points
	146 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
	74 career NJD assists	100 career NJD assists
Erik Haula	283 career points	300 career points
Nico Hischier	383 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	177 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	286 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Alexander Holtz	30 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	246 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	89 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	212 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Curtis Lazar	454 career GP	500 career GP
	95 career goals	100 career goals
John Marino	255 career GP	300 career GP
	83 career points	100 career points
	69 career assists	100 career assists
Michael McLeod	244 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	66 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points
Timo Meier	474 career GP	500 career GP
	163 career goals	200 career goals

	167 career assists	200 career assists
	330 career points	400 career points
	23 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Dawson Mercer	166 career/NJD GP	200 career/NJD GP
	44 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	54 career/NJD assists	100 career/NJD assists
	98 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points
Colin Miller	466 career GP	500 career GP
Tomas Nosek	400 career GP	1; 400 career GP
Ondrej Palat	679 career GP	700 career GP
Palat	296 career assists	300 career assists
	447 career points	500 career points
	51 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Jonas Siegenthaler	257 career GP	300 career GP
	160 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
Brendan Smith	633 career GP	700 career GP
	90 career assists	100 career assists
	62 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Chris Tierney	597 career GP	600 career GP
Tyler Toffoli	735 career GP	800 career GP
	241 career assists	300 career assists
	468 career points	500 career points
Vitek Vanecek	75 career wins	100 career wins

HOW THEY WERE BUILT

NATE BASTIAN	2016, NJD, 2 ND ROUND, 41 ST OVERALL
JESPER BRATT	2016, NJD, 6 TH ROUND, 162 ND OVERALL
NICO HISCHIER	2017, NJD, 1ST OVERALL
ALEXANDER HOLTZ	2020, NJD, 1 ST ROUND, 7 TH OVERALL
JACK HUGHES	2019, NJD 1ST OVERALL
LUKE HUGHES	2021, NJD, 1 ST ROUND, 4 TH OVERALL
MICHAEL MCLEOD	2016, NJD, 1 ST ROUND, 12 TH OVERALL
DAWSON MERCER	2020, NJD, 1 ST ROUND, 18 TH OVERALL
AKIRA SCHMID	2018, NJD, 5 TH ROUND, 136 TH OVERALL

Trade: Kevin Bahl, Erik Haula, Curtis Lazar, John Marino, T. Meier, Colin Miller, Jonas Siegenthaler, Tyler Toffoli & Vitek Vanecek

UFA: Dougie Hamilton, Tomas Nosek, Ondrej Palat, Brendan Smith & Chris Tierney

UTICA REPORT: Utica began its third season as the Devils AHL affiliate since 2021-22 and with head coach Kevin Dineen. The team dropped its season opener on Fri., Oct. 13, after a 4-3 overtime loss at Utica. Max Wilman, Ryan Schmelzer and Cal Foote all found the back of the net in the team's season opening contest

