

NEW JERSEY DEVILS



GAME INFORMATION

New Jersey Devils (2-1-1) at Montreal Canadiens (2-1-1) • 7:15 PM ET • Bell Centre • MSGSN 2/MSG+/Listen: <u>DEVILS HOCKEY</u> <u>NET</u>

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Last Game:

New Jersey Devils 5 (OT) New York Islanders 4

(2-1-1-5 PTS) (2-1-0-4 PTS)

Three Stars: 1. J. Hughes 2. J. Bratt 3. B. Horvat

SCORE	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	ОТ	SO	FINAL
NY Islanders	1	2	1	0	-	4
DEVILS	1	2	1	1	-	5

Goals:

NYI: B. Nelson (2), B. Horvat (2, Extra-Attacker)

NJD: D. Hamilton (PPG), T. Toffoli (PPG), L. Hughes (PPG), J. Hughes (2, PPG, OTG)

Game Summary | **Event Summary**

INJURIES/ILLNESS

PLAYER	INJURY/IIIness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED
Tomas Nosek	Lower-body	Oct. 13	3
Erik Haula	Upper-body	Oct. 20	1

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost: 4

TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
10/2	Michael Vukojevic	Assigned to Utica (AHL)
	Kyle Criscuolo	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – CLEARED on 10/3
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) – CLEARED on 10/4
10/4	Cal Foote	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – CLEARED ON 10/5
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) – Cleared on 10/8
	Tyce Thompson	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – Cleared on 10/8
	Justin Dowling	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – Cleared on 10/8
	Shane Bowers	Placed on waivers – intent for Utica (AHL) – Cleared on 10/8
10/9	Simon Nemec	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
10/17	Keith Kinkaid (G)	Placed on waivers – intent for Chicago (AHL) – Cleared on 10/18
10/23	Tomas Nosek	Placed on I.R. (Lower-body)
	Cal Foote	Recalled from Utica (AHL)

Pronunciation Guide

Kevin Bahl: (BAHL, KEH -vihn) Michael McLeod: (muh-KLOWD, MIGH-kuhl)

Nathan Bastian: (bash-T'YEHN, NAY-thuhn) Timo Meier: (MIGH-uhr, TEE-moh)

Jesper Bratt: (BRAHT, JEHS -puhr) Dawson Mercer: (MUHR-suhr, DAW-suhn)

Cal Foote: KAL FUT

Dougie Hamilton: (HAM -ihl -tuhn, DUH -gee) Colin Miller: (MIH -luhr, KAW -lihn)

Erik Haula: (HAWL-la, AIR -ihk)

Tomas Nosek: (NOH -shehk, toh -MAHSH)

Nico Hischier: (HEE -shuhr, NEE -koh)

Ondrej Palat: (pa -LAHT, AWN -dray)

Alexander Holtz: (HOHLTZ, al -ehx -AN -duhr)

Akira Schmid: (SHMIHD, a -KIHR -uh)

Jack Hughes: (HEWZ, JAK)

Jonas Siegenthaler: (SEE -gehn -thahl -uhr, YOH -nuhs)

Luke Hughes: (HEWZ, LEWK) Brendan Smith: (SMIHTH, BREHN -duhn)

Curtis Lazar: (Iah -ZAHR, KUHR -tihs) Chris Tierney: (TEER -nee, KRIHS)

John Marino: (mah -REE -noh, JAWN)

Tyler Toffoli: (tuh -FOH -lee, TIGH -luhr)

Vitek Vanecek: VA -nih -chehk, VIH -tehk)

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 Tuesday night's contest vs Montreal with 89 consecutive regular-season games without being shut out, which is the fifth-longest stretch in franchise history.

Jersey's team opens its second back-to-back set for 2023-24, and is 1-0-1 overall for back-to-back sets this season.

The team is 1-0-0 in first games played and 0-0-1 in the second half of back-to-back sets this season.

New Jersey logged a 15-8-1 overall record for back-to-back sets in 2022-23 and the team's .646 points percentage for back-to-back sets in 2022-23 ranked eighth in the NHL.

New Jersey logged a goal in the first period for the first time this season, after October 20th's 5-4 overtime victory at the New York Islanders (last game played).

All of New Jersey's contests were decided by one goal this season. In 2022-23, the Devils earned a 20-6-8 record for games decided by one goal, which ranked eighth in the NHL (CAR ranked 1st, 25-6-9).

New Jersey enters Tuesday night's contest with a 1-0-0 road record. The Devils earned a 28-9-4 road record in 2022-23, which ranked third in the NHL (BOS 1st, 31-8-2).

New Jersey's 28 road wins in 2022-23 tied the franchise record for the most road wins, which was logged in 1998-99 (28-10-3).

The Devils recorded four power-play goals in a game for the 17th time in franchise history, after the team's 5-4 overtime win vs NY Islanders on Oct. 20. The last time that the team scored four power-play goals in a game was March 1, 2014 at the New York Islanders in a 6-1 victory.

The most power-play goals that the franchise scored in a game was six, which was logged on Feb. 19, 1980, (CLR) vs Philadelphia in an 8-6 win at Colorado.

The most power-play goals earned in a game for Devils team history is five, which Jersey's team logged three times, last recorded: Jan. 22, 2008, at Philadelphia (7-3 win).

Last game's victory marked the first time this season that the Devils did not surrender a power-play goal.

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 836 career regular season wins, which ranks fifth all-time for all NHL head coaches. He needs 14 wins to pass Ken Hitchcock (849 wins) for sole possession of fourth place for all-time wins that an NHL head coach earned.

Ruff earned his 100th career regular-season win with New Jersey, after Oct. 20th's 5-4 overtime victory at the NY Islanders. His 100 career wins with New Jersey tied him with Doug Carpenter (1985-1988) for the fourth most wins that a head coach earned with the franchise.

Ruff has coached 224 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.

Devils All-Time Head Coaches: Leaderboard:

Jaques Lemaire	276 wins	1993-94-1997-98/ 2009-10/ 2010-11
John Hynes	150 wins	2015-16-2019-20
Peter Deboer	114 wins	2011-12-2014-15
LINDY RUFF	100 wins	2020-21-PRESENT
Doug Carpenter	100 wins	1984-85-1987-88

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, 3.50	21st (tied, MTL)
GF/GP, 3.75	8 th
SA/GP, 32.5	23 rd
SF/GP, 34.0	6 th

MTL:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.50	21st (tied, NJD)
GF/GP, 3.25	12 th
SA/GP, 35.0	26 th
SF/GP, 29.0	24 th

(Per one day before game)

2023-24 TEAM STATS

RECORD ON DAYS OF THE WEEK

The Devils record on Tuesday in 2023-24...0-0-0

Record in night games in 2023-24...2-1-1...home: 1-1-1...road: 1-0-0

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

Alternate jersey schedule:

Fri., Oct. 27	Vs BUF	
Fri., Nov. 27	Vs CBJ	
Fri., Dec. 1	Vs SJS	
Sun., Dec. 17	VS ANA	
Sat., Dec. 23	VS DET	
Sat., Jan. 6	VS VAN	
Sat., Mar. 9	VS CAR	
Sat., Mar. 23	Vs OTT	
Sun., Apr. 7	Vs NSH	
Mon., Apr. 15	Vs NYI (Home finale)	

RECORD BY DIVISION/CONFERENCE:

MET: 1-0-0

ATL: 1-1-0

CEN: 0-0-1

PAC: 0-0-0

EAST: 1-1-1

WEST: 0-0-1

RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST

Scoring first... **0-0-0**... Trailing first... **2-1-1**

OVERTIME/SHOOTOUT

OT: 1-0-0

SO: 0-0-1

OUTSHOOTING OPP: 1-1-1

OUTSHOT: 1-0-0

EVEN: 0-0-0

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-11

CHE-4

USA-3

CZE-3

SWE-2

FIN-1

GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL	
1	1-4	-3	
2	7-5	+2	
3	6-5	+1	
ОТ	1-0	+1	
so	0-1	-1	
TOTAL	15-14*	+1	

*Does not include shootout

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

2000-01: +100
 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 Nov. 2 at MIN/ Nov. 3 at STL

2023-24: 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.	3/28/21, 1-0 at BOS, M.
	Vanecek, 32 saves	Blackwood, 40 saves
Were shutout	4/24/22, vs DET, 3-0, A.	11/2/21, at ANA, 4-0, J. Gibson,
	Nedeljikovic,	28 saves
	17 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	4/6/23, 8-1, vs CBJ	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.	12/12/22, J. Hughes, denied, vs
-	Lundqvist, 5-2 W vs NYR	I. Shesterkin, 4-3 Lo, at NYR
Faced a penalty shot	2/8/20, A. Kopitar, unsuccessful vs.	4/2/23, M. Barron, scored, vs V.
	M. Blackwood in 3-0 win vs. LAK	Vanecek in 6-1 L at WPG
Had a hat-trick	4/4/23, D. Mercer vs T. Jarry in a 5-1 win	3/19/23, J. Bratt vs A.
	vs PIT	Vasilevskiy in 5-2 win at TBL
Allowed a hat-trick	4/3/22 J. Pageau vs.	1/31/22, A. Matthews vs.
	N. Daws in 4-3 loss vs. NYI	Akira Schmid in 6-4 loss @ TOR

(Excludes overtime)

TEAM:

LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY	1, twice	Last: 10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4 OT, W
Largest margin of defeat	1, twice	Last: 10/16, vs FLA, 4-3, L
MOST GOALS, GAME	5	10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
Most goals allowed, game	4, 3x	Last: 10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
MOST GOALS, PERIOD	3, twice	Last: 10/16/23, vs FLA, 3 rd per., 4-3, L
Most goals allowed, period	2, 3x	Last: 10/20/23, at NYI, 2 nd per., 5-4, OT, W
FASTEST GOAL START GP	N/A	
Fastest goal allowed, Start GP	3:54	10/16/23 vs FLA, S. Reinhart, 4-3, L
FASTEST GOAL START OF A PERIOD	0:21	10/20/23, at NYI, 2 nd per., T. Toffoli, 5-4, OT. W

Fastest Goal Allowed Start of a Period	0:59 10/16/23, vs FLA, 3 rd per., S. 4-3, L	
MOST SHOTS IN A GAME	39,	10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
Most Shots Allowed in a Game	35	10/12/23, vs DET, 4-3, W
MOST SHOTS IN A PERIOD	16	10/16/23, vs FLA, 3 rd per., 4-3, L
Most Shots Allowed in a Period	14, twice	10/13/23, vs ARI, 1 st per., 4-3, Lso
FEWEST SHOTS IN A GAME	27	10/12/23, vs DET, 4-3, W
Fewest Shots allowed in a Game	29	10/16/23, vs FLA, 4-3, L
MOST PIM IN A GAME	16	10/13/23, vs ARI, Lso
Most PIM Opp., Game	12, 4x	Last: 10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
FEWEST PIM IN A GAME	6	10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
Fewest PIM Opp, Game	12, 4x	Last: 10/20/23, at NYI, 5-4, OT, W
LONGEST WINNING STREAK	N/A	
LONGEST POINTS STREAK	2 GP (1-0-1)	10/12/23 to 10/13/23
LONGEST LOSING STREAK	N/A	
LONGEST WINLESS STREAK	2 (0-1-1)	10/13-10/16/23

VS MTL

The Devils and Montreal face-off for the first of three matchups this season, while Tuesday's contest marks the only trip to Montreal in 2023-24:

Jan. 17, vs MTL, 7:00 P.M.

Feb. 24, vs MTL, 7:00 P.M.

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

ALL-TIME vs MTL

Record: 76-73-10-7

Home: 40-35-4-4

Road: 36-38-6-3

DID YOU KNOW...

The most goals in franchise history earned in a single game vs Montreal is eight goals, which was earned in an 8-4 win on Oct. 6, 2000, at New Jersey.

The most goals that the franchise allowed in a single game vs Montreal is nine (2 times), which was last logged on Nov. 11, 1981, after a 9-0 loss at Colorado.

The most goals that the Devils (team history) allowed vs Montreal is eight, which was last logged on Nov. 11, 1992, after an 8-3 loss at New Jersey.

The most shots that Jersey earned in a single game vs Montreal is 53, which was earned on Feb. 27, 1995, in a 6-1 win at Jersey.

The most shots that the franchise allowed in a single game vs Montreal is 59, which was on Mar. 27, 1976, in an 8-2 loss at Montreal (KCS).

The shots that the Devils (team history) in a single game vs Montreal is 49, which was recorded on Dec. 8, 2016, in a 5-2 loss at Montreal.

The last time that the Devils shut out Montreal was on Oct. 21, 2010, in a 3-0 win at Montreal (M. Brodeur, 29 saves).

The last time Montreal shut out the Devils was on Mar. 11, 2008, in a 4-0 loss at Montreal (C. Price, 30 saves).

The Devils and Montreal met in the Stanley Cup Playoffs once, which was in 1996-97. The Devils eliminated the Canadiens in five games.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

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

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

Sun. Oct. 29, vs MIN, 5:00 P.M. E.T.

Thu. Nov. 2, at MIN, 8:00 P.M. E.T.

PLAYER NOTES

Jack Hughes has recorded 10 PTS (4g-6a) in the team's opening four games this season. Hughes' 10 points are the most that a player earned in the team's first four games from the start of a season:

PLAYER	GP	PTS	SEASON	G	Α	PTS
JACK HUGHES	4	10	2023-24	4	6	10
Scott Stevens	4	8	1993-94	2	6	8
Peter Stastny	4	8	1991-92	3	5	8
John MacLean	4	8	1988-89	3	5	8

The most points that a Devils player earned in the team's opening five games from the start of a season, aside from Hughes' 10 already, is 10:

John MacLean: 1988-89: 4g-6a=10 PTS

Rk	Player	PTS▼	Season	GP	G	Α	PTS
1	Jack Hughes	10	2023- 24	4	4	6	10
2	John MacLean	10	1988- 89	5	4	6	10
3	Patrik Eliáš	9	2001- 02	5	3	6	9
4	Jesper Bratt	8	2023- 24	4	3	5	8
5	Jesper Bratt	8	2022- 23	5	0	8	8
6	Kyle Palmieri	8	2018- 19	5	7	1	8
7	Will Butcher	8	2017- 18	5	0	8	8
8	Brian Gionta	8	2006- 07	5	4	4	8
9	Jason Arnott	8	2001- 02	5	4	4	8
10	Alexander Mogilny	8	2000- 01	5	2	6	8
11	Scott Stevens	8	1993- 94	5	2	6	8
12	Peter Šťastný	8	1991- 92	5	3	5	8
13	Mark Johnson	8	1988- 89	5	3	5	8

14	Mel Bridgman	8	1986-	5	4	4	8
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The most points that an NHL player earned in a team's opening five games from the start of a season since 2010-11:

Rk	Player	PTS	Season	Tea m	GP	G	Α	PTS
1	Patrick Marleau	13	2012-13	SJS	5	9	4	13
2	Connor McDavid	13	2021-22	ED M	5	6	7	13
3	Joe Thornton	13	2012-13	SJS	5	3	10	13
4	Phil Kessel	12	2011-12	TO R	5	7	5	12
5	Auston Matthews	12	2018-19	TO R	5	9	3	12
6	Connor McDavid	12	2019-20	ED M	5	4	8	12
7	Morgan Rielly	12	2018-19	TO R	5	3	9	12
8	Patrice Bergeron	11	2018-19	BO S	5	5	6	11
9	Leon Draisaitl	11	2019-20	ED M	5	4	7	11
10	Leon Draisaitl	11	2021-22	ED M	5	4	7	11
11	Connor McDavid	11	2018-19	ED M	5	4	7	11
12	Artemi Panarin	11	2022-23	NY R	5	3	8	11
13	Martin St. Louis	11	2012-13	TBL	5	3	8	11
14	Sebastian Aho	10	2018-19	CA R	5	4	6	10
15	Nicklas Bäckström	10	2017-18	WS H	5	2	8	10
16	Sidney Crosby	10	2022-23	PIT	5	3	7	10
17	Jack Hughes	10	2023-24	NJD	4	4	6	10

(18 other instances with 10 PTS)

Hughes recorded his fifth-career overtime game-winning goal after defeating the Islanders on Fri., Oct. 20.

There are 15 other NHL skaters who have recorded more overtime goals than Hughes since his rookie season in 2019-20 – one of which is **Dougie Hamilton** who has six overtime winners since that time. Alex DeCrincat ranks first for this matter with 10 overtime goals since 2019-20, while Connor McDavid ranks second with eight.

Hughes' five overtime goals since 2019-20 also lead all skaters who've played for the Devils since that time:

PLAYER	OVERTIME GOALS
J. Hughes	5
N. Hischier	3
P. Zacha	3
D. Hamilton	3

The most overtime goals all-time in franchise history: Leaderboard:

Player	OTG
Patrik Elias	16
Scott Niedermayer	8
Zach Parise	7
Nico Hischier	6
John Moore	6
Jack Hughes	5
Taylor Hall	5
Brian Gionta	5
Ilya Kovalchuk	5
Stephen Richer	5

Hughes is also fresh off recording four points in a game (2g-2a), which also tied a career-high, last earned: Apr. 6, 2023 (8-1 win vs CBJ).

Luke Hughes also inked his name into the goal column on Oct. 20, and the Hughes brothers became the first set of brothers in franchise history who scored a goal in the same game. The tally also marked L. Hughes' first-career power-play goal.

Per NHL Pr, J. Hughes became fourth player in NHL history who earned an assist on each of his brother's first two, or more, career goals: Henrik Sedin, 3 w/ Daniel Sedin; Doug Bentley, 2 w/ Max Bentley; Ron Sutter, 2 w/ Rich Sutter

Dougie Hamilton earned his third goal for the season and second power-play goal for 2023-24, after Oct. 20th's victory.

The power-play tally marked Hamilton's 40th career power-play goal. The 6-foot-6 blueliner is one of eight active defensemen who've record 40, or more, PPG since 2012-13.

Hamilton also extended his point streak to four games. The longest point streak from the start of a season in franchise history belongs to Tim Higgins, who earned a 10-game point streak from the start of the 1984-85 season.

Hamilton recorded seven shots on goal oon Oct. 20, while his most shots on goal in a Devils sweater is 10 - logged twice:

Oct. 31, 2021 vs Columbus

Nov. 28, 2021, vs PHI.

Hamilton's career-high for shots in a single game is 11, which he logged with Carolina on Mar. 16, 2021 against Detroit.

Jesper Bratt is not only riding a three-game point streak (3g-5a), but earned multiple points in all three contests. The franchise record for consecutive multi-point games is five:

Jack Hughes: Jan. 1, 2023-Feb. 6 (6g-5a=11 PTS)

Scott Gomez: Dec. 28, 2005-Jan. 5, 2006 (6g-7a=13 PTS)

Kirk Muller: Jan. 7, 1988-Jan. 15 (9g-3a=12 PTS)

QUICK HITS

Chris Tierney logged his New Jersey Devils debut (7:35 TOI), which also marked the veteran's 598th career game played.

Tyler Toffoli earned his first goal in a Devils' sweater, which was also a power-play goal.

Timo Meier earned his first point of the season and earned two helpers on the night. Meier's second assist was logged on J. Hughes' overtime winner.

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 168 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 168 consecutive games played currently ranks 17th in the NHL for all active skaters.

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.

Akira Schmid earned his first win for the season, after the team's Oct. 20th victory at the Islanders (28 saves on 32 shots). It also marked Schmid's first-career win against the Isles (1-2-0).

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Player	Current Status	Potential Milestone
Kevin Bahl	70 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Nathan Bastian	166 career GP	200 career GP
Jesper Bratt	393 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	179 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	284 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Dougie Hamilton	755 career GP	800 career GP
	450 career points	500 career points
	148 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
	75 career NJD assists	100 career NJD assists
Erik Haula	284 career points	300 career points
Nico Hischier	385 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	32 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	248 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	91 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	217 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
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Curtis Lazar	455 career GP	500 career GP
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John Marino	257 career GP	300 career GP
	84 career points	100 career points
	70 career assists	100 career assists
Michael McLeod	246 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	67 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points
Timo Meier	476 career GP	500 career GP
	163 career goals	200 career goals
	169 career assists	200 career assists
	332 career points	400 career points
	25 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
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Dawson Mercer	168 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
Ondrej Palat	681 career GP	700 career GP
Palat	297 career assists	300 career assists
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	53 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
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Jonas Siegenthaler	259 career GP	300 career GP
	162 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
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Brendan Smith	635 career GP	700 career GP
	90 career assists	100 career assists
	64 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Chris Tierney	598 career GP	600 career GP
Tyler Toffoli	737 career GP	800 career GP
	241 career assists	300 career assists
	469 career points	500 career points
Vitek Vanecek	75 career wins	100 career wins

Accomplished Milestones

Tomas Nosek	400 career NHL GP	10/13/23 vs ARI
HC Lindy Ruff	100 career NJD wins	10/20/23 at NYI

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 1 ST 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:** Cal Foote, 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 Comets are fresh off a 2-1 overtime loss at Bridgeport on Oct. 21. The team plays next on Fri., Oct. 27 at Syracuse. Max Willman (2g-1a) and Justin Dowling (0g-3a) lead Utica ith 3 PTS.

