

New Jersey Devils Postgame Notes: December 9th, at Calgary Flames

**New Jersey Devils 4 Calgary Flames 2** (14-10-1-29 PTS)(11-13-3-25 PTS)

Three Stars: 1. J. Bratt 2. Y. Sharangovich 3. L. Hughes

SCORE	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>RD</sup>	ОТ	SO	FINAL
Calgary	1	0	1	-	-	2
DEVILS	0	2	2	-	-	4

### Goals:

CGY: Y. Sharangovich (SHG), N. Kadri

NJD: N. Hischier, J. Bratt, T. Meier, N. Hischier (ENG)

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## WHAT TO KNOW

The Devils skated in their third contest for a four-game road trip, which also opened the team's sixth back-toback set for 2023-24. The team improved to 3-0-0 on the trip, which also marked the team's third three-game winning streak for 2023-24 (season-high).

The team is now 5-1-0 in the first half of back-to-back sets this season, and 6-4-1 overall for the 2023-24 campaign. The team's five wins in the first half of a back-to-back set lead all NHL teams (Montreal, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4 wins).

New Jersey is also 3-1-0 North of the Border this season.

Today's contest marked the team's second matinee contest for 2023-24 (1-1-0).

Jersey's team is now 9-4-0 on the road this season.

The Devils surrendered the first goal of a game for the 18<sup>th</sup> time this season but improved to (8-9-1).

The victory also marked the team's ninth comeback victory for 2023-24, which is tied with Toronto and the New York Rangers for the most in the NHL this season.

Jersey's team improved to 10-1-1 when leading after two periods in a contest this season.

Jersey improved to 6-4-1 vs the Western Conference in 2023-24.

Jersey's team outshot the Flames 30-25, and improved to 9-4-1 when outshooting an opponent in a contest this season.

New Jersey earned victories at Calgary and in consecutive seasons for the first time since the franchise relocated to the Garden State in 1982-83.

## **Special Teams**

PP: 0-2 | PK: 0-0

The Devils surrendered their second shorthanded goal for the season, after former Devil Y. Sharangovich netted his second SHG for the season. The first, and last time, the Devils allowed a shorthanded goal was at Colorado on Nov. 7, 2023, (6-3, L, M. Wood).

The Devils did not log a penalty minute for the second time this season (Dec. 1, vs SJS, 6-3, L).

### **DHN Quiz Question**

Who is the only player all-time that won a Stanley Cup with both the Devils and Calgary?

A: Joe Nieuwendyk, who lifted Lord Stanley in 1989 with Calgary, and then the Devils in 2003

Attendance: 17,597

Duration: 4:08 P.M. E.T. to 6:34 P.M. E.T.

### **UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

Sun. Dec. 10, at EDM, 4:00 P.M. E.T.

Wed. Dec. 13, vs BOS, 7:30 P.M. E.T.

Sat. Dec. 16, at CBJ, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

Sun. Dec. 17, vs ANA, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

Tue. Dec. 19, vs PHI, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

# PLAYER NOTES

**Nico Hischier** opened the scoring for the Devils and tied the game at 1-1 and 3:28 into the second period. It marked the captain's fifth goal for 2023-24 and extended his point streak to three games (2g-2a).

Hischier earned the team's fourth goal (ENG) and into the third period, which marked the captain's first multigoal game for the 2023-24 season.

**Jesper Bratt** earned the primary assist on Hischier's second-period tally, which marked the Swedish native's 20<sup>th</sup> assist for the season. Bratt also extended his point streak to four games (3g-3a), while his season-high point streak is eight games (Oct. 13, 2023 – Nov. 2, 7g-11a).

Bratt later provided the Devils with a 2-1 lead and 12:31 into the second period. Calgary challenged the goal for goaltender interference, but the call on the ice stood – a good goal. The goal was unassisted.

The effort marked Bratt's ninth multi-point game for 2032-24, which ranks second on New Jersey this season. The most multi-point games that Bratt recorded in a single season is 18, which the forward logged in 2021-22. Bratt recorded 15 multi-point games last season in 82 games played.

Side note... Bratt has played in 111 consecutive games which ranks 50<sup>th</sup> for all active NHL skaters.

Per NHL Pr, Bratt "became the second Devils skater to reach the 30-point mark this season alongside **Jack Hughes** (10-23—33 in 20 GP). This marks the third time in franchise history where two players hit the 30-point mark in 25 games or fewer, following 1990-91 (**John MacLean**: 25 GP & **Kirk Muller**: 25 GP) and 1977-78 (**Paul Gardner**: 21 GP & **Wilf Paiement**: 22 GP)."

**Timo Meier** was credited with the team's third goal at 8:59 into the third period, which also provided the Devils with a 3-1 lead. If the goal stands, Meier snapped a three-goal drought without finding the back of the net.

Per NHL PR, "Jack Hughes has 10-23—33 in 19 games in 2023-24 and will stand as the third U.S.-born player in NHL history to record as many points through his first 20 games of a season, following Pat LaFontaine (43 in 1992-93 & 34 in 1991-92) and Kevin Stevens (41 in 1992-93 & 33 in 1991-92) who each did so twice."

### **QUICK HITS**

**Luke Hughes** earned his 12<sup>th</sup> helper for the season on N. Hischier's second-period tally. L. Hughes entered the contest with four goals, while the last time that a Devils rookie defenseman earned more than five goals in a single season was Eric Gelinas via 2013-14 (7g-22a=29 PTS).

L. Hughes led all Devils skaters with 23:15 TOI, while the youngster's career-high for single game is 23:56 TOI (Oct. 25, 2023, vs WSH).

# **BETWEEN THE PIPES**

**Vitek Vanecek** logged his 16<sup>th</sup> start for the 2023-24 campaign and tied Craig Billington (43 wins) for ninth place all-time in franchise history for career wins.

# **STATISTICS**

Record		14-10-1 (29 PTS) 9-4-0 (18 PTS)				
Road record	d					
All-time rec	ord vs Calgary	29-67-11-4				
All-time road record vs Calgary				10-34-8-3	10-34-8-3	
Shots	<b>1</b> st	$2^{ m nd}$	$3^{\mathrm{rd}}$	ОТ	TOTAL	
CGY	13	5	7	-	25	

12

30

11

## **Devils Leaders**

**Devils** 

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Shots	Jack Hughes – 7		
Faceoff Wins	Nico Hischier – 10		
Faceoff Percentage	Michael McLeod & 2 others (6/9) - 67%		
Hits	N. Bastian & J. Siegenthaler – 3		
Blocked Shots	Kevin Bahl - 4		
Takeaways	C. Miller & 3 others – 2		
TOI	Luke Hughes – 23:15		

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**Next game:** Sun., Dec. 10, at EDM | 4:00 P.M. E.T.

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