

GOLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS POST-GAME NOTES



OCT. 30, 2024 | NATIONWIDE ARENA | VS. NEW YORK ISLANDERS

BOX SCORE	RECORDS] st	2 ND	3 RD	OT	FINAL
Columbus	Overall: 5-3-1, 11 pts (Home: 4-2-0, 8 pts)	0	0	2		2
New York	Overall: 3-5-2, 8 pts (Away: 2-2-1, 5 pts)	0	0	0		0

GAME AT A GLANCE

THREE STARS

1st – E. Merzlikins, CBJ (27-of-27, SO/W); 2nd – D. Severson, CBJ (1-0-1, GWG); 3rd – S. Varlamov, NYI (24-of-25, L)

GOAL SCORERS

Columbus: D. Severson (2), EN – Danforth (2)

New York:

GOALTENDERS

Columbus: E. Merzlikins (27 saves, W) **New York:** S. Varlamov (24 saves, L)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Columbus PP: 0-for-0, 0 shots **New York PP:** 0-for-1, 2 shots

BLUE JACKETS TEAM NOTES

- ★ Columbus improved to 25-21-1-7 all-time and 17-7-1-4 when playing at home against the Islanders.
- ★ With the club's first shutout of the season tonight, it marks the fifth time in franchise history that Columbus earned a shutout over the Islanders in the all-time series and first since Mar. 26, 2019 (Bobrovsky, 26 saves in 4-0 win at CBJ). All five shutouts have been recorded at Nationwide Arena.
- ★ CBJ have recorded points in four-straight games (3-0-1) to finish the month of October at 5-3-1. The .611 points percentage is the fourth-highest for the month in franchise history, trailing only .682 in Oct. 2007 (7-3-1), .667 in Oct. 2017 (8-4-0) and .625 in Oct. 2021 (5-3-0).
- ★ Columbus has also won three consecutive home games, marking the first time since Nov. 10-17, 2022 the club won three-straight games at Nationwide Arena.
- ★ The Blue Jackets have scored a franchise-high 35 goals through the first nine games of the season, surpassing the franchise-high 31 scored in 2009-10, 2016-17 and 2018-19.
- ★ CBJ scored the first goal of the game for the seventh time this season, including the fourth-straight.
- ★ Columbus has recorded goals in 20-of-the-27 periods played this season and has registered 12 multi-goal frames.
- ★ Tonight's attendance was 14,015.

BLUE JACKETS PLAYER NOTES

- ★ C Justin Danforth scored the empty netter in the third period and now has picked up 2-2-4 in his last four games.
- ★ C Sean Kuraly notched his second assist of the season tonight with both recorded in the last three games (0-2-2).
- ★ RW **Kevin Labanc** ranks third-T on the club in assists this season (0-5-5, 7 GP) and has collected assists in five of his last six games (0-5-5) after recording an assist tonight. He has recorded points in three of his last four games against the Islanders (2-1-3).

- ★ G Elvis Merzlikins pitched his first shutout of the season and the 11th in his NHL career tonight, turning aside all 27 shots faced. He passes Pascal Leclaire (10) for fourth on the franchise's all-time shutouts list after tonight's game (Bobrovsky, 33; Mason, 19; Denis, 12). In the past two games, Merzlikins has stopped 58-of-59 shots on goal (.983 SV%) after saving 32-of-33 against the Oilers on Monday night.
- ★ D Ivan Provorov (0-3-3, 9 GP) collected an assist for the second time in the last four games.
- ★ D Damon Severson scored his second goal of the season tonight (2-3-5) and his first points in five games.
- RW Cole Sillinger notched another assist tonight and now has assists in each of his last two games (1-3-4). His six assists are the second-most on the team (Marchenko, 7).

BLUE JACKETS POST-GAME AUDIO INTERVIEWS

HC Dean Evason | G Elvis Merzlikins | D Ivan Provorov | D Damon Severson

ISLANDERS POST-GAME AUDIO INTERVIEWS

HC Patrick Roy | F Bo Horvat | F Jean-Gabriel Pageau

BLUE JACKETS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Thursday Oct. 31 Off

Friday Nov. 1 7pm ET vs. Winnipeg Jets (Nationwide Arena)
Saturday Nov. 2 5pm ET at Washington Capitals (Capital One Arena)

Sunday Nov. 3 Off