



# MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB

## GAME NOTES



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## Minnesota Wild (3-3-2) at New Jersey Devils (4-2-1)

Sunday, Oct. 29, 2023 | 4 p.m. CT | Prudential Center

### SERIES NOTES



#### NEW JERSEY DEVILS

**All-Time Wild Record:** 12-9-8 (6-4-4 at Xcel Energy Center, 6-5-4 at New Jersey)

**2022-23:** Minnesota went 2-0-0 against New Jersey... The Wild won the series-opening game, 3-2, in a shootout at Xcel Energy Center (2/11) and outlasted the Devils 2-1 in overtime at Prudential Center (3/21)... **C Joel Eriksson Ek** (1-0=1), **C Ryan Hartman** (1-0=1), **LW Matt Boldy** (1-0=1) and **C Mason Shaw** (1-0=1) all scored goals for the Wild... **RW Mats Zuccarello** netted the winning shootout goal in the first meeting... **G Filip Gustavsson** was 2-0-0 with a 1.38 GAA and a .961 SV%... **LW Tomas Tatar** led New Jersey with two goals... **RW Timo Meier** also scored for New Jersey... **G Vitek Vanecek** went 0-0-2 with a 1.85 GAA and a .925 SV%.

**WILD LEADERS:** Zuccarello leads Minnesota with 23 points (6-17=23) in 32 contests against the Devils... **D Alex Goligoski** has 14 points (4-10=14) in 33 games... **D Jared Spurgeon** owns 11 points (3-8=11) in 14 matches.

**WILD GOALIES:** **G Marc Andre-Fleury** is 24-25-5 with a 2.46 GAA, a .915 SV% and six shutouts in 54 career starts against New Jersey... Gustavsson is 2-0-0 with a 1.38 GAA and a .961 SV% in two starts.

**DEVILS LEADERS:** **RW Tyler Toffoli** leads New Jersey with 18 points (9-9=18) in 27 games against Minnesota... Meier has 13 points (5-8=13) in 25 games... **D Colin Miller** owns seven points (0-7=7) in 14 games... **D Brendan Smith** has seven points (2-5=7) in 14 games.

**DEVILS GOALIES:** **G Keith Kinkaid** is 1-1-0 with a 4.75 GAA and a 856 SV% in four games (three starts) vs. the Wild... Vanecek is 0-1-2 with a 2.54 GAA and a .887 SV% in three starts vs. the Wild... **G Akira Schmid** has not faced the Wild.

**CONNECTIONS:** Wild President of Hockey Operations and General Manager **Bill Guerin** was selected by New Jersey in the first round (fifth overall) of the 1989 NHL Draft... He collected 214 points (108-106=214) in 380 career games in seven seasons (1991-98) and won the Stanley Cup with the Devils in 1995... Wild Senior Advisor to the GM **Ray Shero** served as Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Devils from 2015-20... Wild Goaltending Coach **Frederic Chabot** was drafted by New Jersey in the 10th round (192nd overall) of the 1986 NHL Draft... **LW Marcus Johansson** posted 41 points (17-22=41) in 77 games with New Jersey (2017-19)... **LW Pat Maroon** tallied 13 points (3-10=13) in 17 games with the Devils (2017-18)... **D Jon Merrill** was drafted by New Jersey in the second round (38th overall) of the 2010 NHL Draft... He tallied 36 points (6-30=36) in 216 games with the Devils (2013-17)... **C Erik Haula** was selected by Minnesota in the seventh round (182nd overall) of the 2009 NHL Draft and recorded 89 points (42-47=89) in 266 games with the Wild (2013-17).

**FAST FACTS:** Minnesota is 11-5-4 in its last 20 games against New Jersey, including an active nine-game point streak (7-0-2)... The Wild is 5-0-0 in the last five meetings at the Devils.

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	INFO
Thu., Nov. 2	vs. New Jersey	7 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Sat., Nov. 4	vs. NY Rangers	7 p.m.	BSNX/KFAN 100.3 FM
Tue., Nov. 7	at NY Islanders	6:30 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM
Thu., Nov. 9	at NY Rangers	6 p.m.	BSN/KFAN 100.3 FM

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### RECENT & UPCOMING MILESTONES

**Marc-Andre Fleury:** Played 58:31 vs. LAK (10/19), moving his career minutes total to 57,164:32 and surpassing Terry Sawchuk (57,155:51) for fourth on the all-time list among NHL goaltenders.

**Filip Gustavsson:** Made a career-high 49 saves vs. CBJ (10/21) while facing a career-high 54 shots.

**Ryan Hartman:** Recorded five points (3-2=5) vs. EDM, marking his second career hat trick (first with MIN) and tying his career-best in points in a game.

**Marcus Johansson:** Tallied an assist at WSH (10/27) to extend his point streak to five games (1-5=6), tying his career-long (now three occurrences).

**Kirill Kaprizov:** Currently at 116 career goals, needs three goals to tie Andrew Brunette (119 career goals) for fifth-most in franchise history... Scored the 40th powerplay goal of his career at MTL (10/17), becoming the fifth player in to reach the landmark in a Wild sweater.

**Pat Maroon:** Recorded a four-game assist streak from 10/19-10/26 (0-4=4), one short of his career best assist streak of five games (3/23-3/31/14).

**Jake Middleton:** Tallied three assists vs. EDM (10/24), marking the first three-point game of his career.

**Jon Merrill:** Tallied an assist at PHI (10/24) for his 100th career NHL point

**Marco Rossi:** Owns an active three-game point streak (2-1=3), the longest of his career.

**Mats Zuccarello:** Opened the season on a six-game point streak (2-7=9), his longest point streak to start a season and tied for the second-longest season-opening streak in team history.

## INJURIES

**Matt Boldy:** upper body  
**Freddy Gaudreau:** upper body  
**Alex Goligoski:** lower body  
**Jared Spurgeon:** upper body

## RECENT TRANSACTIONS

**October 18 - October 28, 2023**

**10/25/23** Recalled F **Jujhar Khaira** from Iowa and placed D **Jared Spurgeon** on long-term injured reserve  
**10/23/23** Recalled D **Daemon Hunt** from Iowa  
**10/22/23** Recalled F **Vinni Lettieri** from Iowa and reassigned F **Sammy Walker** to Iowa  
**10/18/23** Placed D **Alex Goligoski** on long-term injured reserve and recalled F **Sammy Walker** from Iowa

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#2 - Calen Addison (AD-ih-suhn)  
#4 - Jon Merrill (MAIR-ihl)  
#5 - Jake Middleton (MIH-duhl-tuhn)  
#6 - Dakota Mermis (MUHR-mihs)  
#7 - Brock Faber (FAY-burr)  
#10 - Vinni Lettieri (luh-TAYR-ee)  
#12 - Matt Boldy (BOHL-dee)  
#14 - Joel Eriksson Ek (JUHL AIR-ihk-suhn EHK)  
#16 - Jujhar Khaira (JOO-jahr KARE-uh)  
#17 - Marcus Foligno (foh-LEE-noh)  
#20 - Pat Maroon (ma-ROON)  
#21 - Brandon Duhaime (doo-HAYM)  
#23 - Marco Rossi (RAH-see)  
#25 - Jonas Brodin (JOE-nuhs broh-DEEN)  
#26 - Connor Dewar (KAW-nuhr DOO-uhr)  
#29 - Marc-Andre Fleury (MAHRK-AWN-dray FLUH-ree)  
#32 - Filip Gustavsson (FIHL-ihp GUHS-tahf-suhn)  
#33 - Alex Goligoski (goh-lih-GAW-skee)  
#36 - Mats Zuccarello (MATS zoo-ka-REHL-oh)  
#38 - Ryan Hartman (HAHRT-muhn)  
#46 - Jared Spurgeon (SPUHR-juhn)  
#48 - Daemon Hunt (DAY-muhn HUHNT)  
#89 - Frederick Gaudreau (goo-DROH)  
#90 - Marcus Johansson (joh-HAN-sun)  
#97 - Kirill Kaprizov (kih-REEL kah-PREE-zawf)

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# TEAM NOTES



## HOME SWEET HOME

- Dating back to Nov. 19th, 2022, Minnesota is 25-8-4 at home for a .730 point percentage, tied for the second-most wins and marking the fifth-best home point percentage in the NHL during that span.
- In home games since Nov. 19, 2022, the Wild has allowed 2.38 goals per game (third in NHL) and recorded a .920 save percentage (second-best in NHL).
- Minnesota ranked tied for sixth in the NHL with a .659 home point percentage and tied for seventh with 25 home victories during the 2022-23 season.

## ON THE ROAD AGAIN

- Minnesota recorded an 11-game road point streak (8-0-3) from 2/23/23 to 3/29/23, third-longest in franchise history and third-longest in the NHL during the 2022-23 season.
- From Feb. 23 through the end of the 2022-23 season, the Wild was first in the NHL with a .927 road SV% and was third with a 2.53 road GAA.

## ON THE POWER PLAY

- Minnesota set the single-season franchise record for power-play percentage (21.4 pct), converting 54 for 252 power-play opportunities during the 2022-23 campaign.
- The Wild converted 26.2 percent (33 of 126) of power-play opportunities at home this season, sixth-best in the NHL last season.

## PENALTY KILLERS

- The Wild recorded a streak of 27 consecutive successful penalty kills across 14 total games from 2/6/23 to 3/2/23. Did not allow a power-play goal in 12 consecutive games from 2/8/23 - 2/28/23, the longest streak in the NHL this season, tied for the longest streak in franchise history and tied for the 13th-longest streak in the NHL's Expansion Era (since 1967-68 season).
- Allowed 20 opposing power-play goals on 118 opportunities (83.1 pct.) at home during the 2022-23 season, the seventh-best rate in the NHL.

## SHORT [HANDED] KINGS

- The Wild scored two shorthanded goals on the same first-period penalty kill at MTL (10/17), first from Brandon Duhaime at 9:20 and second from Connor Dewar at 9:45, marking the second time in franchise history scoring multiple SHGs on the same penalty kill, the third time in franchise history scoring two SHGs in the same period, and the sixth time in franchise history scoring multiple SHGs in a single game.
- Minnesota currently ranks tied for fourth in the NHL with two shorthanded goals this season.
- Minnesota ranked third in the NHL with 14 shorthanded goals (SHG) during the 2022-23 season.
- The Wild scored its 14th SHG of the season at CHI (4/10), breaking the franchise's previous single-season record set in the 2000-01 season.
- Minnesota recorded two SHG in a single game twice a 10-day span (3/29 at COL, 4/8 vs. STL) after doing so only three times previously in franchise history.

## COOL UNDER PRESSURE

- Minnesota went 42-7-8 (.807) last season when obtaining a lead at any point in the game, the seventh-best point percentage in the NHL in such situations.
- The Wild was 31-0-3 (.956) last season when leading through two periods, the third-best point percentage in the NHL.
- Minnesota was 15-1-11 (.759) last season in games that became tied with less than five minutes left in regulation, tied for the fifth-most victories in the NHL.

## LOCK-DOWN DEFENSE

- Minnesota conceded less than two goals in 27 games during the 2022-23 season, second-most the NHL. The Wild holds a 24-1-2 record when allowing less than two goals.
- In 56 games from Dec. 10 through the end of the season, the Wild posted a 2.43 GA/Gm average, the second-best mark in the NHL during that span.

## FREE HOCKEY, PLEASE

- Last season Minnesota had 12 victories in games decided past regulation, tied for seventh-most in the NHL during the 2022-23 season.
- The Wild's seven shootout victories last season led the NHL.
- Minnesota skaters scored shootout goals on 21 of 44 attempts (47.7 pct.) in 2022-23, leading the NHL in total shootout goals and in shootout percentage (min. 10 shootout attempts).
- Freddy Gaudreau led the NHL with eight shootout goals last season, while Kirill Kaprizov and Mats Zuccarello were tied for second with five shootout goals each. Since the start of the 2021-22 season, Gaudreau is second in the NHL with nine shootout goals, while Kaprizov and Zuccarello are tied for fourth with seven shootout goals.
- Since the start of the 2021-22 season, Minnesota leads the NHL with 28 victories in extra-session games, two more than the next-closest franchise (Colorado, 26).

## HEAD COACH DEAN EVASON

- Since **Dean Evason** took over as head coach on Feb. 14, 2020, Minnesota is 145-70-25 and ranks sixth in the NHL in points (315) and tied for sixth in wins.
- The Wild recorded 123 wins in the team's first 200 games under Evason, tied for the fourth-most by a first-time head coach in NHL history (all games coming with one franchise).

### Most Wins Through 200 Games, First-Time NHL Head Coaches

Rk.	Coach, Team, Seasons	Record
1.	Tom Johnson, BOS, 1970-73.....	139-39-22
2.	Mike Keenan, PHI, 1984-87.....	133-54-13
3.	Bruce Boudreau, WSH, 2007-10.....	126-53-21
4t.	Todd McLellan, SJS, 2008-11.....	123-50-27
4t.	Sheldon Keefe, TOR, 2019-23.....	123-55-22
4t.	<b>Dean Evason, MIN.....</b>	<b>123-61-16</b>

- Evason reached 100 career wins at CHI (Oct. 30, 2022), requiring the fifth fewest (159) games in NHL history to do so.





## PLAYER NOTES

### KIRILL THE THRILL

- **Kirill Kaprizov** is tied for first on the Wild with nine points this season (1-8=9).
- Kaprizov scored the 40th PPG of his career at MTL (10/17), becoming the fifth player in franchise history to reach 40 career PPGs. He joined Zach Parise (69), Mikko Koivu (60), Marian Gaborik (59) and Andrew Brunette (55).
- Kaprizov recorded the 22nd three-point game of his career vs. EDM (10/24, 0-3=3). Only two players have more such games in a Wild sweater (Mikko Koivu, 34 and Marian Gaborik, 29).
- Currently at 116 career goals, Kaprizov needs three goals to tie Andrew Brunette (119 career goals) for fifth-most in franchise history.
- Kaprizov led the Wild with 75 points (40-35=75) last season.
- Kaprizov reached the 40-goal mark for the second consecutive season by scoring vs. WPG (4/11). He became the first player in franchise history with multiple 40-goal seasons (consecutive or otherwise) after scoring a career-high 47 goals in 2021-22.
- Prior to incurring a lower-body injury at WPG (3/8), he ranked tied for fifth in the NHL with 31 power-play points and tied for sixth with 39 goals.
- Skated in his 200th career game 3/7 vs. CGY. His 113 goals through 200 career games ranked second among active NHL players (Ovechkin, 123 goals through 200 career games).
- Kaprizov notched the second regular-season hat trick of his career vs. CBJ (Feb. 26). Per NHLStats, he became the fifth player in NHL history to conclude his natural hat trick with the overtime-winning goal.
- Kaprizov's 16 power-play goals (PPG) ranked sixth in the NHL prior to his injury at WPG (3/8). With a PPG vs. CBJ (Feb. 26), he broke Brian Rolston's single-single franchise record (15 PPG, 2005-06 season).
- Kaprizov scored his 30th goal of the season Feb. 13 vs. FLA, joining Marian Gaborik and Brian Rolston as the only Wild players to record consecutive 30-goal seasons with the franchise.
- The left winger led the Wild in both multi-goal games (seven) and three-point games (seven) was tied for first in multi-point games (18)
- Kaprizov recorded his 100th career goal at CAR (1/19), becoming the third-fastest active player to reach that mark (180 games), trailing Patrik Laine (179 games) and Alexander Ovechkin (167 games).
- Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov became the third player in Wild history to record three consecutive 20-goal campaigns from the start of their tenure with the team, joining Eric Staal (2016-19) and Brian Rolston (2005-08).
- Kaprizov reached the 40-point mark in 31 games last season. Per NHL Stats, he required the fewest games by a Wild player to reach the 40-point mark in a single season. He reached 40 points in one fewer game than he did in 2021-22 (32 GP).
- Playing in his 167th game of his NHL career vs. OTT (Dec. 18), Kaprizov scored three points (1-2=3) to reach 201 points (93-108=201) for his career. He became the 23rd player in NHL history to collect 200 points in 167 games or less.
- Kaprizov was the first player in Wild history to record his first 200 career points with the franchise in fewer than 200 games.
- Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov reached 100 career assists in the 158th game of his career vs. Edmonton (Dec. 1). Among players to make their NHL debut with the Wild, none have reached the 100-assist milestone in fewer contests (previously Mikko Koivu: 230 GP).

### STONE-COLD KIRILL-ER

- Kaprizov's game-winning goal in overtime vs. CBJ (2/26/23) marked his sixth overtime goal since entering the NHL in 2020-21. The total is tied for fifth-most in the league since the start of the 2020-21 season.
- Kaprizov currently stands at 10 career overtime points in a Wild sweater, tied with Pierre-Marc Bouchard and Marian Gaborik for second-most in franchise history.

#### All-Time OT Points, Minnesota Wild History

Rk.	Player	OT Points
1.	M. Koivu .....	13
2t.	<b>K. Kaprizov</b> .....	<b>10</b>
2t.	P. Bouchard .....	10
2t.	M. Gaborik .....	10
5.	K. Fiala .....	9

- Kaprizov is tied for first in franchise history with six OT goals, matching teammate Matt Dumba. Six of his 13 career game-winning goals have come in overtime.

### HE'S GOING STREAKING

- Kaprizov recorded a 14-game home point streak (10-15=25) from Nov. 13 to Jan. 4 of the 2022-23 season, tied for the longest in franchise history with Marian Gaborik (10-13=23 in 14 games, 2007-08 season).
- Kaprizov recorded a 14-game point streak (9-12=21) from Nov. 9 - Dec. 9 of the 2022-23 season, a career long, the longest in franchise history and tied for the fifth-longest streak in the NHL last season.

#### Regular-Season Point Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	<b>Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23</b> .....	<b>14</b>
2t.	Mikael Granlund, 2016-17 .....	12
2t.	Kevin Fiala, 2021-22 .....	12
4t.	Six instances .....	10

- Kaprizov recorded a seven-game goal streak (7-6=13) from Nov. 23 - Dec. 7, a career long, the longest in franchise history and tied for second-longest in the NHL last season.

#### Regular-Season Goal Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	<b>Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23</b> .....	<b>7</b>
2t.	<b>Kirill Kaprizov, 2021-22</b> .....	<b>6</b>
2t.	Nino Niederreiter, 2017-18 .....	6
2t.	Brian Rolston, 2007-08 .....	6
5t.	Seven instances .....	5

- Kaprizov recorded a nine-game assist streak from 11/11/22 to 12/1/22, a career-long, franchise-long and tied for the fourth-longest streak in the NHL last season.

#### Regular-Season Assist Streaks, Wild History

Rk.	Player, Season	Games
1.	<b>Kirill Kaprizov, 2022-23</b> .....	<b>9</b>
2.	Jim Dowd, 2001-02 .....	8
3t.	Jared Spurgeon, 2021-22 .....	7
3t.	<b>Kirill Kaprizov, 2021-22</b> .....	<b>7</b>
3t.	Ryan Suter, 2013-14 .....	7

- Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov is the only player among all 32 NHL clubs to hold the franchise record (outright or tied) for all three scoring milestones: goal streak, assist streak and point streak.

# PLAYER NOTES



## MATS-TER OF HIS CRAFT

- **Mats Zuccarello** ranks T-1st first on the team with nine points (2-7=9) this season.
- Zuccarello started the season on a six-game point streak, his longest point streak to open a season and tied for the second-longest season-opening point streak in franchise history.
- The 36 year old's nine points this season rank tied for second in the NHL among players age 33 or older (John Tavares, 11 points).
- Zuccarello posted 22-45=67 during the 2022-23 season, leading the team in assists, ranking second in points and fourth in goals.
- He scored his 70th goal with Minnesota on 2/17/23 vs. DAL. Per NHL Stats, Zuccarello required the seventh fewest games (230) in franchise history to reach the mark behind Kaprizov (128 GP), Parise (163 GP), Staal (164 GP), Rolston (170 GP), Gaborik (184 GP) and Fiala (203 GP).
- With two points (1-1=2) Dec. 27 at WPG, Zuccarello became the 10th player in franchise history to record 50 multi-point games in a Wild sweater.
- Zuccarello ranked tied for sixth in the NHL in scoring (9-11=20) during the month of December last season.
- Recorded a 10-game point streak from Dec. 1 to Dec. 18 (7-9=16), his longest of the season and tied for the longest of his career (10-game streak during the 2021-22 season).
- According to NHL Stats, Zuccarello is the third player in Wild history to notch multiple 10-game point streaks with the team, joining Kevin Fiala (12 GP & 10 GP in 2021-22) and Mikael Granlund (12 GP in 2016-17 & 10 GP in 2016-17).
- Zuccarello recorded four points (3-1=4) and his second career hat trick vs. CHI (Dec. 16). His last hat trick came Oct. 30, 2015, vs. TOR as a member of the New York Rangers.
- At 35 years, 106 days old, Zuccarello became the oldest player in Wild history to notch a hat trick.
- The native of Oslo, Norway, became the first Norwegian-born NHL player with multiple career hat tricks.
- The game marked Zuccarello's sixth multi-goal game since joining the Wild in 2019-20.
- Zuccarello ranks second among active undrafted NHL players in career points (582), third in career goals (188) and third in career games played (774).

### Career Points, Active Undrafted Players

Rk.	Player	Points
1.	Artemi Panarin.....	671
2.	<b>Mats Zuccarello</b> .....	<b>582</b>
3.	Mark Giordano.....	569
4.	Torey Krug.....	444
5.	Jonathan Marchessault.....	422

### Career Goals, Active Undrafted Players

Rk.	Player	Goals
1.	Artemi Panarin.....	219
2.	Jonathan Marchessault.....	191
3.	<b>Mats Zuccarello</b> .....	<b>188</b>
4.	Tyler Johnson.....	179
5.	Mark Giordano.....	155

## BOLDY AND THE BEAUTIFUL

- **Matt Boldy** led the team in takeaways (51), tied for first in multi-point games (18), was second in goals (31) and shots on goal (255) and third in points (63) during the 2022-23 season.
- Had 21 points (14-7=21) in his last 16 games and 23 points (15-8=23) in his last 19 games.
- Boldy scored his 31st goal of the 2022-23 season at CHI (4/10) to surpass Marian Gaborik (30 in 2002-03 and 2001-02) for most by a Wild player age 22 or younger.
- Collected his 100th career point (45-55=100) in the 125th game of his career at PIT (4/6). Among players to debut with the franchise, he required the second-fewest games to reach the mark behind Kirill Kaprizov (92 GP).
- Scored 12 goals in the month of March 2023, becoming the third Wild player with as many in a calendar month (Kaprizov, 14 in March 2022; E. Staal, 13 in Feb. 2018).
- Recorded his third career hat trick (3-0=3) vs. SEA (3/27), the first natural hat trick of his career and his second hat trick in a five-game span.
- Became the fourth U.S.-born NHL player to record three hat tricks before turning 22, joining Jimmy Carson (seven), Alex DeBrincat (four) and Jeremy Roenick (four).
- Since the 2000-2001 season, only five NHL players have posted more hat tricks before turning 22 than Boldy: Patrik Laine (eight), Marian Gaborik (five), Steven Stamkos (five), Alex DeBrincat (four) and Connor McDavid (four).
- Recorded a seven-game point streak (8-4=12) from 3/11 to 3/23, his longest of the 2022-23 season.
- Registered his first career overtime goal at NJD (3/21), finding net with two seconds remaining in OT. Per NHL Stats, Boldy's goal at the 4:58 mark was tied for the second-latest overtime goal in Wild history (also Dmitry Kulikov on 4/24/22) behind only Matt Dumba (4:59 on 2/27/21).
- Recorded his second career hat trick vs. WSH (3/19), becoming the seventh player in franchise history to notch multiple hat tricks.
- Has joined Marian Gaborik (67 in 2001-02 & 65 in 2002-03) and Pierre-Marc Bouchard (59 in 2005-06) as the only Wild players to record a 50-point season before age 22.
- With a goal and assist at Calgary (3/4), became the third player in franchise history to record 80 points before turning 22 years old (31-50=81).
- Boldy reached the 30-goal mark in the 94th game of his career, joining Kirill Kaprizov (30 goals in first 67 games) and Marian Gaborik (30 goals in first 93 games) as the only players to debut with the Wild and reach the mark in fewer than 100 games.
- Boldy signed a seven-year, \$49 million contract extension on Jan. 16 that runs through the 2029-30 season.
- Boldy scored the 25th goal of his career Dec. 10 at VAN, doing so in his 74th career game. Per NHL Stats, Kaprizov (52 games played) is the only player in franchise history who required fewer games to reach the 25-career-goal mark (to debut with MIN).
- With an assist in his 60th career game (at ANA, Nov. 9), Boldy moved his career totals to 21-29=50 and became the second-fastest player in Wild history to reach 50 career points (Kirill Kaprizov, 54 games), per NHL Stats.
- Skated in his 50th career game vs. COL (10/17), recording an assist to push his career totals to 17-27=44. Per NHL Stats, only two active U.S.-born players recorded more points through 50 career games: Brock Boeser (26-19=45) and Patrick Kane (12-33=45).



## PLAYER NOTES

### CROWN JOEL

- **Joel Eriksson Ek** scored the 97th goal of his career vs. EDM (10/24), moving past Brian Rolston (96 career goals) for sole possession of 11th-most in franchise history.
- He is tied for the team lead in goals (five) and scoring (nine) this season.
- Eriksson Ek has tallied a point in four of his last six games (4-3=7) and has recorded a team-leading four multi-point games this season.
- Eriksson Ek scored two PPGs at MTL (10/17), marking the second time in his career recording multiple PPG in a single game (two PPG vs. WPG, 10/19/21).
- Now with 28 career PPGs, Eriksson Ek is tied for ninth on Minnesota's all-time list with Nino Niederreiter.
- Eriksson Ek ranked second on the Wild with 12 PPG and 38 assists, third with 247 shots and 23 goals and fourth with 61 points during the 2022-23 season.
- With two assists at PHI (3/23/23), surpassed 200 career points (92-109=201), becoming the 19th player to reach the mark with the Wild.
- With 61 points (23-38=61) in 78 games last season, Eriksson Ek established a new single-season career high (previously 26-23=49, 2021-22 season).
- Tied team record (Eric Staal) with a 10-game road point streak (5-8=13, 12/31/22-2/8/23).

### MARCO POLO

- **Marco Rossi** has tallied a point in three consecutive games (2-1=3), a career-long.
- He scored the first goal of his NHL career at TOR (10/14), becoming the ninth Austrian-born player to score a goal in a NHL regular-season game.
- Rossi joined Thomas Vanek (39 goals with Minnesota) and Christoph Brandner (four goals with Minnesota) as the only Austrian-born players to score goals for the Wild.

### THE MOOSE IS LOOSE

- **Marcus Foligno** is tied for first in the NHL with 31 hits this season. He led Minnesota with 237 hits last season.
- Foligno has recorded five 200-hit seasons in his career, including three with the Wild.
- His 3.6 hits per game played were tied for seventh-most in the NHL last season (min. 50 games played).
- Since entering the league in 2011-12, Foligno ranks eighth among NHL players with 2,213 hits.

### PHONE BOOTH FREDDY

- **Freddy Gaudreau** finished tied for third in the NHL with four shorthanded goals and tied for sixth in shorthanded points during the 2022-23 season.
- Became the first player in Wild history to record multiple shorthanded goals in a single game, netting two at COL (3/29).
- Gaudreau led the NHL with eight shootout goals last season, tied for the largest since-season total in Wild history (Mikko Koivu, 2006-07 season).

### BROCKED AND LOADED

- **Brock Faber** leads all rookie skaters with 23:36 in time on ice per game.
- Faber scored his first NHL goal and recorded his first NHL point with a first-period goal vs. FLA (10/12).
- Faber made his NHL debut with the Wild at CHI (4/10), leading the team in time on ice (21:49) and blocked shots (six) while recording a plus-one rating and one shot on goal.
- Faber's six blocked shots were tied for most among players making their NHL debut since the league began tracking the stat in 2005-06.
- He is one of 32 Minnesota-born players (30 skaters) to wear the Wild sweater in a regular-season game.



# PLAYER NOTES



## THE GUS BUS

- Goaltender **Filip Gustavsson** opened the 2023-24 season with his fourth career shutout, stopping all 41 shots faced vs. FLA (10/12). His 41 saves marked the third-highest single-game total of his career (47 saves, 3/21/23 at NJD; 42 saves, 3/29/23 at COL).
- According to NHL Stats, Gustavsson became the fourth goaltender in Wild history to record a shutout in a season-opening game, joining Darcy Kuemper (Oct. 9, 2014), Niklas Backstrom (Oct. 4, 2007) and Dwayne Roloson (Oct. 6, 2001).
- Gustavsson made a career-high 49 saves while facing a career-high 54 shots vs. CBJ (10/21)
- Gustavsson ranks second in the NHL with a .928 save percentage a 2.24 goals-allowed average since Nov. 19, 2022 (min. 15 games played). He is 23-7-7 in that span.
- He has allowed two goals or less in 26 of his 42 starts since joining the Wild prior to the 2022-23 season.
- During the 2022-23 season, Gustavsson (22-9-7 in 39 games played and 37 starts) set career-highs in wins, games played and shutouts.
- Recorded a career-best shutout streak of 177 minutes and 13 seconds across four games (2/28 - 3/12), the third-longest in franchise history
- Stopping all 26 shots faced in regulation and overtime vs. CGY (3/7), became the sixth goaltender in franchise history to record a shutout in consecutive games.
- Recorded a career-best 10-game point streak from Feb. 11 to March 12. He recorded a six-game win streak from Nov. 19 to Dec. 18, the longest of his career.
- For the 2022-23 season, Gustavsson finished second in the NHL with a 2.10 GAA and a .931 SV%. (min. 25 games played).
- Gustavsson and Boston's Linus Ullmark (40 wins, 1.89- GAA and a 938 SV%) joined Henrik Lundqvist as the only Swedish-born goaltenders to record 20 wins, a 2.10-or-lower GAA and a .930-or-higher save percentage in a single season.



## IN FULL BLOOM

- Goaltender **Marc-Andre Fleury** made his season debut at MTL (10/17), making 27 saves in the 5-2 win and improving his record to 27-13-6 all-time against the Canadiens.
- Fleury played 58:31 vs. LAK (10/19), moving his career minutes total to 57,164:32 and surpassing Terry Sawchuk (57,155:51) for fourth on the all-time list among NHL goaltenders.
- In a 4-2 victory at WPG (3/8/23), Fleury saved 46-of-48 shots faced, both tied for the second-highest single-game totals of his career (47 saves, 49 save attempts).
- Finished 24-16-4 for the 2022-23 season, Fleury recorded his 15th career season of 20-plus wins, tied for third-most in NHL history: Patrick Roy (17), Martin Brodeur (16) and Ed Belfour (15).
- With 73 career shutouts, Fleury has recorded a shutout against 29-of-32 NHL teams (St. Louis, Vegas and Minnesota), the most in league history.
- Currently at 986 career games played, Fleury played in his 972nd career game vs. VGK (2/9) to move past Terry Sawchuk for fourth place in NHL history among goalies. Roy currently ranks third with 1,029 career game appearances.
- Fleury currently holds 25,668 career saves, fourth-most in NHL history. Roy is third with 25,800.
- Fleury notched the 63rd shootout win of his career vs. BUF (1/28/23), further extending his all-time NHL record.
- Fleury faced his 28th career penalty-shot attempt at MTL (10/25). Per NHL Stats, Fleury's 22 saves on 28 all-time attempts trail only Roberto Luongo (33 PS SA, 29 PS saves) for the all-time lead in both categories.

### All-Time Minutes Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Minutes Played
1.	Martin Brodeur	74,438:25
2.	Patrick Roy	60,214:34
3.	Roberto Luongo	59,879:00
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	57,228:45

### All-Time Games Played, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career GP
1.	Martin Brodeur	1,266
2.	Roberto Luongo	1,044
3.	Patrick Roy	1,029
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	988

### All-Time Wins, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Wins
1.	Martin Brodeur	691
2.	Patrick Roy	551
3.	Marc-Andre Fleury	545

### All-Time Saves, NHL Goaltenders

Rk.	Player	Career Saves
1.	Martin Brodeur	28,928
2.	Roberto Luongo	28,409
3.	Patrick Roy	25,800
4.	Marc-Andre Fleury	25,718

# MINNESOTA WILD 2023-24 GAME NOTES TABLES

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## MINNESOTA WILD MONTH-BY-MONTH

	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
2000-01	2-7-3	5-7-2	5-3-4	6-5-2	4-7-0	2-8-6	1-2-1	-
2001-02	4-3-4	7-6-2	2-8-3	4-6-5	2-4-1	6-5-3	1-3-3	-
2002-03	8-1-2	5-6-3	7-4-3	5-7-1	7-4-0	9-5-2	1-2-0	-
2003-04	4-6-1	4-6-3	6-2-6	3-6-7	4-5-2	7-4-4	2-0-0	-
2005-06	6-4-2	4-6-1	8-7-1	7-7-0	4-2-1	5-7-2	4-3-1	-
2006-07	9-2-0	4-8-1	7-7-1	7-4-2	8-2-2	10-3-2	3-0-0	-
2007-08	7-3-2	7-6-0	8-6-0	7-4-1	7-5-2	7-4-4	1-0-1	-
2008-09	6-2-1	8-5-0	4-9-1	7-5-1	5-5-2	6-6-4	4-1-0	-
2009-10	5-9-0	5-3-3	10-6-0	7-6-1	3-3-0	7-7-2	1-2-2	-
2010-11	4-4-2	7-6-0	6-5-3	8-4-0	8-5-1	4-8-2	2-3-0	-
2011-12	4-3-3	11-4-0	6-6-3	3-6-1	4-7-2	5-9-1	2-1-1	-
2012-13	-	-	-	4-2-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	5-8-1	-
2013-14	6-4-3	9-4-2	5-9-0	9-4-1	4-0-1	6-5-4	4-1-1	-
2014-15	6-3-0	7-6-1	4-5-3	5-6-2	11-2-1	11-3-0	2-3-1	-
2015-16	7-2-2	4-5-2	9-3-2	3-7-3	5-8-1	10-4-1	0-4-0	-
2016-17	6-2-1	5-6-2	12-1-1	10-2-1	8-3-1	4-10-2	4-1-0	-
2017-18	4-4-2	8-6-1	8-6-0	7-2-2	9-2-2	7-5-3	2-1-1	-
2018-19	7-3-2	7-6-0	4-8-1	8-4-0	5-6-3	5-7-3	1-2-0	-
2019-20	4-9-0	7-2-4	8-6-1	4-4-1	9-4-1	3-2-0	-	-
2020-21	-	-	-	6-4-0	6-2-0	9-5-2	10-3-2	4-2-1
2021-22	5-3-0	10-3-1	4-3-1	8-1-1	4-6-0	10-4-2	12-2-2	
2022-23	4-4-1	6-5-1	11-4-0	6-4-2	7-4-2	10-1-3	2-4-1	
2023-24	3-3-2							
All-Time	111-81-33	130-106-29	134-108-34	134-100-35	130-91-26	154-116-52	64-45-19	4-2-1

## 2023-24 MONTHLY COMPARISONS

Month	Record	GF-GA*	PP	PK	SF-SA
October	3-3-2	29-34	4-25 (16.0%)	18-25 (72.0%)	249-279
November					
December					
January					
February					
March					
April					

## 2023-24 10-GAME COMPARISONS

Game	Record	GF-GA*	PP	PK	SF-SA
1-10	3-3-2	29-34	4-25 (16.0%)	18-25 (72.0%)	249-279
11-20					
21-30					
31-40					
41-50					
51-60					
61-70					
71-82					

## 2023-24 MINNESOTA WILD GOAL PRODUCTION

Goals for	Times	Wild Record	Goals Against	Times	Wild Record
0			0	1	1-0-0
1			1		
2	2	1-1-1	2	1	1-0-0
3	1	0-1-0	3	1	0-0-1
4	2	0-1-1	4	1	1-0-0
5	1	1-0-0	5	1	0-0-1
6			6	1	0-1-1
7	1	1-0-0	7	2	0-2-0
8			8		
GOALS FOR:	29	3-3-2	GOALS AGAINST:	34	3-3-2

\*Includes shootout goals



## 2023-24 MINNESOTA WILD HIGHS AND LOWS

### INDIVIDUAL

Most Goals, Game	3 – Hartman, 10/24 vs EDM
Most Assists, Game	3 – Zuccarello, 10/17 at MTL, Kaprizov, 10/24 vs EDM, Middleton, 10/24 vs EDM
Most Points, Game	5 – Hartman, 10/24 vs EDM
Most Goals, Period	2 – Hartman, 10/24 vs EDM (3rd)
Most Assists, Period	3 – Kaprizov, 10/24 vs EDM (3rd)
Most Points, Period	3 – Hartman, 10/24 vs EDM (3rd)
Most Shots, Game	6 – Kaprizov, 10/17 at MTL and 10/27 at WSH
Most Penalty Minutes, Game	17 – Mermis, 10/17 at MTL
Most Hits, Game	7 – 3x
Most Blocked Shots, Game	4 – 6x
Most PPG, Game	2 - Eriksson Ek, 10/17 vs MTL
Most PPG, Season	3 - Eriksson Ek
Most SHG, Season	1 – Duhaime, Dewar
Most GWG, Season	2 - Eriksson Ek
Most Overtime Goals	
Consecutive Games with a Goal	2 – 5x
Consecutive Games with an Assist	4 – Zuccarello, 10/12-10/19, Maroon, 10/19-10/26
Consecutive Games with a Point	6 – Zuccarello, 10/12-10/24
Most Saves, Game	49 - Gustavsson, 10/21 vs CBJ

### TEAM

Consecutive Games Won	1
Consecutive Games Earning a Point	2 – 10/21-10/24
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation	1
Consecutive Games Lost, Regulation and OT/SO	2 – 2x
Most Goals For, Period	5 – 10/24 vs EDM (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Most Goals Against, Period	4 – 10/19 vs LAK (1 <sup>st</sup> )
Most Goals For, Game	7 - 10/24 vs EDM
Most Goals Against, Game	7 – 10/14 at TOR, 10/19 vs LAK
Most Power-Play Goals For, Period	2 – 10/17 at MTL (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Power-Play Goals For, Game	3 – 10/17 at MTL
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Period	2 – 10/26 at PHI (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Power-Play Goals Against, Game	2 – 10/14 at TOR, 10/26 at PHI
Most Power-Play Attempts For, Game	8 – 10/17 at MTL
Most Power-Play Attempts Against, Game	5 – 10/17 at MTL, 10/24 vs EDM
Most Shots For, Period	15 – 10/17 at MTL (2 <sup>nd</sup> ), 10/26 at PHI (3 <sup>rd</sup> ), 10/27 at WSH (3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Most Shots For, Game	41 – 10/27 at WSH
Most Shots Against, Period	22 – 10/21 vs CBJ (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Shots Against, Game	54 – 10/21 vs CBJ
Most Shots For, Overtime	5 – 10/27 at WSH
Most Shots Against, Overtime	4 – 10/21 vs CBJ
Fewest Shots For, Period	4 – 10/26 at PHI (1 <sup>st</sup> )
Fewest Shots For, Game	21 – 10/12 vs FLA
Fewest Shots Against, Period	6 – 10/17 at MTL (1 <sup>st</sup> )
Fewest Shots Against, Game	27 – 10/19 vs LAK
Most Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	84 – 10/17 at MTL
Most Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	44 – 10/17 at MTL
Fewest Penalty Minutes Both Teams, Game	8 – 10/19 vs LAK
Fewest Penalty Minutes Wild, Game	0 – 10/17 vs LAK

# 2023-24 MULTIPLE POINT GAMES

Player	2 pts.	3 pts.	4 pts.	5 pts.	Total	Record
Joel Eriksson Ek	4				4	3-0-1
Kirill Kaprizov		2			2	2-0-0
Mats Zuccarello	1	1			2	2-0-0
Ryan Hartman				1	1	1-0-0
Dakota Mermis	1				1	0-0-1
Pat Maroon	1				1	0-0-1
Marcus Johansson	1				1	0-0-1
Jake Middleton		1			1	1-0-0

THE LAST TIME:	HOME	ROAD
Recorded a shutout	10/12/23, 2-0 vs. FLA (Gustavsson, 41 saves)	3/4/23, 3-0 at CGY (Gustavsson, 31 saves)
Were shutout	3/7/23, 1-0 SOL vs. CGY (Markstrom, 40 saves)	11/8/22, 1-0 at LA (Quick, 22 saves)
Won a 1-0 game	11/17/16, 1-0 vs. BOS (Dubnyk, 25 saves)	11/11/22, 1-0 at SEA (Fleury, 28 saves)
Lost a 1-0 game	3/7/23, 1-0 SOL vs. CGY (Markstrom, 40 saves)	11/8/22, 1-0 at LA (Quick, 22 saves)
Scored 5 or more goals	10/24/23, 7-4 win vs. EDM	10/17/23, 5-2 win at MTL
Allowed 5 or more goals	10/21/23, 5-4 OTL vs. CBJ	10/26/23, 6-2 at PHI
Overcame 2-goal deficit to win	2/26/23 vs. CBJ (down 2-0 in 3rd, 3-2 OT win)	3/15/23 at STL (Down 3-1 in 1st, 8-5 win)
Overcame 3-goal deficit to win	4/10/22 vs. LA (down 3-0 in 1st, 6-3 win)	10/8/15 at COL (down 4-1 in 3rd, 5-4 win)
Overcame 4-goal deficit to win	1/9/10 vs. CHI (down 5-1 in 3rd, 6-5 SO win)	Never
Surrendered 2-goal lead in loss	11/13/22 vs. SJ (ahead 2-0 in 3rd, 3-2 SOL)	3/13/23 at ARI (ahead 4-2 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)
Surrendered 3-goal lead in loss	2/15/19 vs. NJ (ahead 4-1 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	5/13/21 at STL (ahead 3-0 in 1st, 7-3 loss)
Surrendered 4-goal lead in loss	Never	Never
Had a penalty shot	12/20/16, Staal vs. Varlamov (unsuccessful)	1/28/22, Gaudreau vs. Shesterkin (unsuccessful)
Scored on a penalty shot	3/22/14, Coyle vs. Howard	12/16/14, Niederreiter vs. Raanta
Faced a penalty shot	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury (goal)	2/8/23, Faksa vs. Gustavsson (no goal)
Allowed a penalty shot goal	2/9/23, Reilly Smith vs. Fleury	1/21/14, Jordie Benn vs. Kuemper
Had a hat trick	10/24/23, Hartman vs. EDM (7-4 win)	11/13/21, Pitlick at SEA (4-2 win)
Allowed a hat trick	3/6/22, Robertson vs. DAL (6-3 loss)	10/14/23, Matthews at TOR (7-4 loss)
Scored a shorthanded goal	4/8/23, Hartman, Steel vs. STL (5-3 W)	10/17/23, Duhaime/Dewar at MTL (5-2 win)
Allowed a shorthanded goal	10/19/23, Lizotte vs. LAK (7-3 loss)	10/27/23, Wilson at WSH (3-2 SOL)
Scored an empty net goal	10/24/23, Foligno vs. EDM (7-4 win)	4/10/23, Nyquist at CHI (4-2 win)
Allowed an empty net goal	10/19/23, Kempe, Lizotte vs. LAK (7-3 loss)	4/1/23, Stephenson at VGK (4-1 loss)
Did not record penalty	10/19/23 vs. LAK (7-3 loss)	4/24/24 at SJ (6-3 win)
Opponent did not record penalty	1/22/22 vs. DET (4-2 win)	4/14/22 at DAL (3-2 OT win)
Played in a penalty free game	Never	11/30/13 at COL (3-2 SO loss)
Won an overtime game	2/26/23 vs. CBJ (Kaprizov)	3/21/23 at NJD (Boldy)
Lost an overtime game	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (Roslovic)	4/13/23 at NSH (Parssinen)
Won a shootout	2/28/23 vs. NYI (Gaudreau)	12/4/22 at DAL (Gaudreau)
Lost a shootout	4/3/23 vs. VGK (Smith)	10/27/23 at WSH (Carlson)
Recorded 20+ shots in a period	1/8/23 vs. STL (23 in 3rd, 3-0 loss)	4/24/22 at NSH (22 in 2nd, 5-4 OT win)
Allowed 20+ shots in a period	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (22 in 2nd, 5-4 OTL)	4/10/23 at CHI (22 in 2nd, 4-2 win)
Recorded 0 shots in a period	1/10/19 vs. WPG (0 in 3rd, 3-2 win)	11/08/01 at BOS (0 in 3rd, 5-3 win)
Allowed 0 shots in a period	3/3/13 vs. EDM (0 in 2nd, 4-2 win)	Never
Recorded 50 or more shots	Record is 49 vs. ANA 12/3/22	Record is 49 at NSH 4/5/22
Surrendered 50 or more shots	10/21/23 vs. CBJ (54 in 5-4 OT loss)	3/18/21 at COL (55 in 5-1 loss)