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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Don Granato
Assistant Coach: Mike Bales
Assistant Coach: Jason Christie
Assistant Coach: Matt Ellis
Assistant Coach: Marty Wilford

PRONUNCIATIONS

Cozens, Dylan: (KUH-zihnz)
Dahlin, Rasmus: (dah-LEEN)
Girgensons, Zemgus: (GEER-gehn-suhnz, ZEEM-guhz)
Jokiharju, Henri: (yoh-kee-HAHR-yoo, HEHN-ree)
Luukkonen, Ukko-Pekka: (LOO-koh-nehn, OO-koh-PEH-ka)
Mittelstadt, Casey: (MIH-tuhl-stadt)
Okposo, Kyle: (oh-POH-soh)
Peterka, JJ: (pih-TUHR-kuh)
Samuelsson, Mattias: (SAM-yew-uhl-suhnn, ma-TEE-uhs)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Power Play
7-for-55 (12.7%) -- 27th
Penalty Kill
60-for-70 (85.7%) -- T-6th

LEADING SCORERS

Rasmus Dahlin:
19 GP, 4 G, 12 A, 16 PTS
JJ Peterka:
19 GP, 8 G, 7 A, 15 PTS
Casey Mittelstadt:
19 GP, 3 G, 12 A, 15 PTS

LEADING SCORERS VS. PIT

Kyle Okposo:
58 GP, 17 G, 25 A, 42 PTS
Jeff Skinner:
50 GP, 9 G, 11 A, 20 PTS
Rasmus Dahlin:
21 GP, 3 G, 7 A, 10 PTS

LAST 5 GAMES VS. PIT

11/11/23: BUF 0 at PIT 4
12/10/22: BUF 1 at PIT 3
12/9/22: PIT 4 at BUF 3 (OT)
11/2/22: PIT 3 at BUF 6
3/23/22: PIT 3 at BUF 4 (SO)

FORWARDS

53 JEFF SKINNER

5'11", 197 lbs. • Toronto, ON
2023-24:
19 GP, 8 G, 6 A, 14 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
951 GP, 341 G, 297 A, 638 PTS, 421 PIM

24 DYLAN COZENS

6'3", 201 lbs. • Whitehorse, YT
2023-24:
17 GP, 4 G, 5 A, 9 PTS, 25 PIM
Career:
218 GP, 52 G, 76 A, 128 PTS, 137 PIM

89 ALEX TUCH

6'4", 215 lbs. • Syracuse, NY
2023-24:
16 GP, 5 G, 6 A, 11 PTS, 20 PIM
Career:
395 GP, 114 G, 153 A, 267 PTS, 125 PIM

9 ZACH BENSON

5'10", 170 lbs. • Chilliwack, BC
2023-24 (NHL):
9 GP, 1 G, 4 A, 5 PTS, 8 PIM
Career (NHL):
9 GP, 1 G, 4 A, 5 PTS, 8 PIM

37 CASEY MITTELSTADT

6'1", 195 lbs. • Eden Prairie, MN
2023-24:
19 GP, 3 G, 12 A, 15 PTS, 12 PIM
Career:
296 GP, 51 G, 103 A, 154 PTS, 62 PIM

77 JJ PETERKA

6'0", 189 lbs. • Munich, DEU
2023-24:
19 GP, 8 G, 7 A, 15 PTS, 8 PIM
Career:
98 GP, 20 G, 27 A, 47 PTS, 34 PIM

28 ZEMGUS GIRGENSONS

6'2", 200 lbs. • Riga, LVA
2023-24:
19 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS, 7 PIM
Career:
644 GP, 83 G, 93 A, 176 PTS, 178 PIM

19 PEYTON KREBS

6'0", 186 lbs. • Calgary, AB
2023-24:
17 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 10 PIM
Career:
152 GP, 16 G, 34 A, 50 PTS, 82 PIM

21 KYLE OKPOSO

6'0", 216 lbs. • St. Paul, MN
2023-24:
19 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 8 PIM
Career:
1003 GP, 230 G, 365 A, 595 PTS, 528 PIM

71 VICTOR OLOFSSON

5'11", 181 lbs. • Ornskoldsvik, SWE
2023-24:
13 GP, 2 G, 3 A, 5 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
276 GP, 85 G, 87 A, 172 PTS, 28 PIM

17 TYSON JOST

5'11", 184 lbs. • St. Albert, AB
2023-24:
14 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
427 GP, 55 G, 82 A, 137 PTS, 158 PIM

GOALTENDERS

1 UKKO-PEKKA LUUKKONEN

6'5", 217 lbs. • Espoo, FIN
2023-24 (NHL):
9 GP, 4-3-1, .911 SV%, 2.80 GAA
Career (NHL):
55 GP, 24-22-7, .900 SV%, 3.37 GAA
vs. PIT:
2 GP, 0-2-0, .913 SV%, 3.07 GAA

DEFENSEMEN

26 RASMUS DAHLIN

6'3", 204 lbs. • Lidkoping, SWE
2023-24:
19 GP, 4 G, 12 A, 16 PTS, 10 PIM
Career:
374 GP, 50 G, 199 A, 249 PTS, 268 PIM

23 MATTIAS SAMUELSSON

6'4", 224 lbs. • Philadelphia, PA
2023-24:
16 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 10 PIM
Career:
125 GP, 3 G, 22 A, 25 PTS, 50 PIM

25 OWEN POWER

6'6", 221 lbs. • Mississauga, ON
2023-24:
19 GP, 1 G, 8 A, 9 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
106 GP, 7 G, 40 A, 47 PTS, 30 PIM

33 RYAN JOHNSON

6'1", 195 lbs. • Newport Beach, CA
2023-24:
8 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
8 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 4 PIM

27 DEVON LEVI

6'0", 192 lbs. • Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC
2023-24 (NHL):
8 GP, 3-4-1, .879 SV%, 3.66 GAA
Career (NHL):
15 GP, 8-6-1, .892 SV%, 3.31 GAA
vs. PIT:
0 GP, 0-0-0, .000 SV%, 0.00 GAA

75 CONNOR CLIFTON

5'11", 192 lbs. • Matawan, NJ
2023-24:
17 GP, 0 G, 2 A, 2 PTS, 30 PIM
Career:
249 GP, 10 G, 35 A, 45 PTS, 187 PIM

6 ERIK JOHNSON

6'4", 225 lbs. • Bloomington, MN
2023-24:
19 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
939 GP, 90 G, 249 A, 339 PTS, 516 PIM

10 HENRI JOKIHARJU

6'0", 200 lbs. • Oulu, FIN
2023-24:
17 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
290 GP, 15 G, 59 A, 74 PTS, 104 PIM

SCRATCHES

12 JORDAN GREENWAY

6'6", 233 lbs. • Canton, NY
2023-24:
19 GP, 2 G, 4 A, 6 PTS, 19 PIM
Career:
353 GP, 44 G, 85 A, 129 PTS, 246 PIM

31 ERIC COMRIE

6'1", 190 lbs. • Edmonton, AB
2023-24 (NHL):
4 GP, 1-2-0, .898 SV%, 2.62 GAA
Career (NHL):
51 GP, 23-21-2, .897 SV%, 3.27 GAA

78 JACOB BRYSON

5'9", 174 lbs. • London, ON
2023-24:
3 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM
Career:
173 GP, 3 G, 25 A, 28 PTS, 32 PIM

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Acciari, Noel: (a-CHAH-ee, NOHL)
Guentzel, Jake: (GEHNT-zuhl)
Harkins, Jansen: (HAHR-kihnh, YAN-suhn)
Hinostroza, Vinnie: (hihn-oh-STROH-za)
Ludvig, John: (LUHD-vihg)
Malkin, Evgeni: (MAHL-kihnh, ehv-GEH-nee)
Nedeljkovic, Alex: (nuh-DEHL-koh-vihch)
Nieto, Matt: (nee-EH-toh)
Nylander, Alex: (NEE-lan-duhr)
Pettersson, Marcus: (PEH-tuhr-suhn)
Samorukov, Dmitri: (sa-muh-ROO-kahv)
Zohorna, Radim: (zoh-HOHR-nah, ra-DEEM)

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7-for-51 (13.7%) -- 25th
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LEADING SCORERS

Sidney Crosby:
18 GP, 12 G, 10 A, 22 PTS
Jake Guentzel:
18 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS
Evgeni Malkin:
18 GP, 9 G, 9 A, 18 PTS

LEADING SCORERS VS. BUF

Sidney Crosby:
57 GP, 27 G, 54 A, 81 PTS
Evgeni Malkin:
51 GP, 21 G, 47 A, 68 PTS
Erik Karlsson:
45 GP, 14 G, 25 A, 39 PTS

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FORWARDS

59 JAKE GUENTZEL

5'11", 180 lbs. • Omaha, NE
2023-24:
18 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS, 6 PIM
Career:
471 GP, 203 G, 232 A, 435 PTS, 216 PIM

87 SIDNEY CROSBY

5'11", 200 lbs. • Cole Harbour, NS
2023-24:
18 GP, 12 G, 10 A, 22 PTS, 14 PIM
Career:
1208 GP, 562 G, 962 A, 1524 PTS, 797 PIM

10 DREW O'CONNOR

6'3", 200 lbs. • Chatham, NJ
2023-24:
18 GP, 1 G, 3 A, 4 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
96 GP, 9 G, 12 A, 21 PTS, 20 PIM

19 REILLY SMITH

6'1", 185 lbs. • Mimico, ON
2023-24:
18 GP, 6 G, 6 A, 12 PTS, 0 PIM
Career:
782 GP, 206 G, 279 A, 485 PTS, 192 PIM

71 EVGENI MALKIN

6'2", 195 lbs. • Magnitogorsk, RUS
2023-24:
18 GP, 9 G, 9 A, 18 PTS, 16 PIM
Career:
1081 GP, 480 G, 767 A, 1247 PTS, 1106 PIM

11 ALEX NYLANDER

6'1", 192 lbs. • Calgary, AB
2023-24:
1 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM
Career:
94 GP, 14 G, 20 A, 34 PTS, 20 PIM

63 RADIM ZOHORNA

6'6", 220 lbs. • Havlickuv, CZE
2023-24:
14 GP, 3 G, 3 A, 6 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
49 GP, 8 G, 9 A, 17 PTS, 12 PIM

20 LARS ELLER

6'2", 205 lbs. • Rodovre, DEN
2023-24:
18 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 12 PIM
Career:
972 GP, 165 G, 213 A, 378 PTS, 579 PIM

13 VINNIE HINOSTROZA

5'10", 183 lbs. • Chicago, IL
2023-24:
7 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
367 GP, 54 G, 97 A, 151 PTS, 103 PIM

83 MATT NIETO

5'11", 187 lbs. • Long Beach, CA
2023-24:
18 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
669 GP, 86 G, 115 A, 201 PTS, 125 PIM

55 NOEL ACCIARI

5'10", 209 lbs. • Johnston, RI
2023-24:
18 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
402 GP, 60 G, 42 A, 102 PTS, 144 PIM

77 JEFF CARTER

6'3", 219 lbs. • London, ON
2023-24:
12 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 4 PIM
Career:
1261 GP, 431 G, 405 A, 836 PTS, 627 PIM

DEFENSEMEN

27 RYAN GRAVES

6'5", 220 lbs. • Yarmouth, NS
2023-24:
18 GP, 1 G, 4 A, 5 PTS, 10 PIM
Career:
320 GP, 29 G, 76 A, 105 PTS, 164 PIM

58 KRIS LETANG

6'0", 201 lbs. • Montréal, QC
2023-24:
18 GP, 1 G, 9 A, 10 PTS, 12 PIM
Career:
1023 GP, 157 G, 544 A, 701 PTS, 703 PIM

28 MARCUS PETTERSSON

6'3", 177 lbs. • Skelleftea, SWE
2023-24:
18 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 14 PIM
Career:
380 GP, 10 G, 97 A, 107 PTS, 239 PIM

65 ERIK KARLSSON

6'0", 190 lbs. • Landsbro, SWE
2023-24:
18 GP, 5 G, 12 A, 17 PTS, 12 PIM
Career:
938 GP, 183 G, 595 A, 778 PTS, 434 PIM

GOALTENDERS

39 ALEX NEDELJKOVIC

6'0", 208 lbs. • Parma, OH
2023-24 (NHL):
3 GP, 2-1-0, .944 SV%, 2.00 GAA
Career (NHL):
106 GP, 44-39-15, .908 SV%, 2.93 GAA
vs. BUF:
6 GP, 4-1-1, .900 SV%, 3.09 GAA

35 TRISTAN JARRY

6'2", 194 lbs. • Surrey, BC
2023-24 (NHL):
14 GP, 6-8-0, .916 SV%, 2.47 GAA
Career (NHL):
220 GP, 123-68-20, .914 SV%, 2.64 GAA
vs. BUF:
11 GP, 9-2-0, .924 SV%, 2.08 GAA

SCRATCHES

17 BRYAN RUST

5'11", 192 lbs. • Pontiac, MI
2023-24:
17 GP, 9 G, 7 A, 16 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
522 GP, 153 G, 179 A, 332 PTS, 169 PIM

43 JANSEN HARKINS

6'2", 197 lbs. • Cleveland, OH
2023-24:
4 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 2 PIM
Career:
158 GP, 13 G, 14 A, 27 PTS, 38 PIM

53 DMITRI SAMORUKOV

6'3", 188 lbs. • Volgograd, RUS
2023-24:
0 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM
Career:
3 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 2 PIM

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