

# NEW YORK ISLANDERS



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**GAME PREVIEW ISLANDERS (39-24-5, 3rd in Metropolitan) at SENATORS (34-24-9, 6th in Atlantic) 3.19.2026 7:00PM ET CANADIAN TIRE CENTER**

## PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

### CAL RITCHIE #64



Cal Ritchie has recorded five points (four PPP) over his last five games dating back to March 7. He recorded his third career multi-point game and second over the last four games with a power-play game-winning goal and a power-play assist on March 17 at Toronto. His second career multi-point game came on March 10 at St. Louis, tallying a power-play goal and a power-play assist just one minute apart. Ritchie is the first rookie to have multiple games with one power play goal and one power play assist for the Isles since Mathew Barzal both did so in 2017-18...Courtesy of Eric Hornick. Ritchie has recorded eight of his nine power-play points in his last 16 games after recording his first career power-play point on December 6. He has points in 11 of his last 23 games played and has recorded 18 of his 21 points this season over his last 35 games dating back to December 2. The Islanders are 8-1-0 when Ritchie has scored a goal this season and 14-4-0 when Ritchie has found the scoresheet.

### ALL-TIME RECORDS vs. OTT

<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>43-52-11-6</b>
<b>HOME</b>	<b>20-27-6-3</b>
<b>AWAY</b>	<b>23-25-5-3</b>

## FACING THE FORMER



An Ottawa, Ontario native, Jean-Gabriel Pageau was drafted by his hometown team in the fourth round (96th overall) of the 2011 NHL Draft. Pageau spent his first eight NHL seasons with the Senators, tallying 182 points (87 goals, 95 assists) in 428 games. When facing his former team, Pageau has scored three goals and four assists in 12 games, including four points in his last five games vs. Ottawa. On March 17 at Toronto, Pageau played in his 429th game as an Islander, surpassing his total games played with Ottawa.

## SCHENNSATIONAL

**4-1-0 RECORD**

**1G, 2A IN 5 GP**

**8th-best power-play percentage in NHL (23.5%, since 3/7)**



## QUICK HITS

- Anders Lee is one goal shy of passing Clark Gillies (304) for the fourth-most in franchise history.
- The Islanders signed forward Cole Eiserman to a three-year, entry level contract yesterday. Eiserman was the 20th pick in the 2024 NHL Draft.
- The Islanders have scored goals on four consecutive road power plays.
- A win tonight would be the club's 40th of the season. It would be their first 40-win season since 2022-23 (42-31-9).
- Of the Islanders last 12 PPG, Barzal has factored on nine of them.

## TEAM LEADERS

ISLANDERS		SENATORS	
Bo Horvat (28)	<b>GOALS</b>	Tim Stützle (31)	
Mat Barzal (45)	<b>ASSISTS</b>	Tim Stützle (40)	
Mat Barzal (63)	<b>POINTS</b>	Tim Stützle (71)	
Scott Mayfield (74)	<b>PIM</b>	Cousins/Greig (72)	
Bo Horvat (6)	<b>GWG</b>	Batherson/Stützle (5)	
Matthew Schaefer (24:20)	<b>TOI/GP</b>	Jake Sanderson (24:49)	
Barzal/Holmström (+15)	<b>+/-</b>	Claude Giroux (+18)	

## CAREER LEADERS VS. OPPONENT

Anders Lee (17)	<b>GOALS</b>	Claude Giroux (26)
Ondrej Palat (19)	<b>ASSISTS</b>	Claude Giroux (47)
Anders Lee (25)	<b>POINTS</b>	Claude Giroux (73)

## THE ROAD TO 50

With a point tonight, Matthew Schaefer can become the fourth rookie defenseman in Islanders history to record 50 points in a season, following Stefan Persson (56 in 1977-78), Denis Potvin (54 in 1973-74) and Vladimir Malakhov (52 in 1992-93). Schaefer (18 years, 195 days) can also become the seventh-youngest player in NHL history at the time of their 50th career point behind Bep Guidolin (18 years, 58 days in 1944), Ted Kennedy (18 years, 97 days in 1944), Sidney Crosby (18 years, 161 days in 2006), Brian Bellows (18 years, 182 days in 1983), Nathan MacKinnon (18 years, 184 days in 2014) and Jimmy Carson (18 years, 187 days in 1987).

Schaefer (20-29-50) can also become the sixth Islanders rookie defenseman to reach 30 assists in a single season. He would be the first to do so since Bryan Berard in 1996-97.

