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Upcoming games for the Hartford Wolf Pack:

Sun. Mar. 2	@ Providence Bruins	4:05 p.m.	@ Amica Mutual Pavilion
Wed. Mar. 5	V. Bridgeport Islanders	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Fri. Mar. 7	V. W-B/S Penguins	7:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Sun. Mar. 9	V. Belleville Senators	5:00 p.m.	@ XL Center
Wed. Mar. 12	@ Grand Rapids Griffins	7:00 p.m.	@ Van Andel Arena

Head-to-head:

This is the second and final meeting of the season between the Wolf Pack and the Comets. The Comets rolled to a 7-3 victory on Jan. 15 at the Adirondack Bank Center, their second straight victory against the Wolf Pack. **Max Willman** opened the scoring 12:48 into the game, then **Nolan Foote** struck on the power play at 14:00 to make it 2-0 after one period. **Chase Stillman** made it 3-0 at 5:06 of the second period, potting his third goal of the season. Three goals in 4:59 for the Wolf Pack stunned the crowd and drew the game back to even. **Bo Groulx** struck from the slot at 5:38, making it 3-1. **Dylan Roobroeck** then potted a shorthanded breakaway at 8:38, making it a 3-2 contest. Just 1:59 later, **Anton Blidh** tipped home a **Connor Mackey** shot to make it 3-3 at 10:37. The tie lasted mere minutes, however, as **Simon Nemec** finished off a three-on-one down low at 13:01 to give the Comets the lead for good. **Nemec** then scored 1:33 into the third period, making it a 5-3 game. **Willman's** second goal of the evening came at 11:42, putting the game fully out of reach. **Xavier Parent** polished off a pass at the backdoor at 16:50, striking for the Comets' fourth unanswered goal. The Wolf Pack are 3-3-0-1 in their last seven games against the Comets but have dropped each of the last two head-to-head meetings.

Wolf Pack Notebook:

The Wolf Pack won their second straight game on Friday night, downing the Springfield Thunderbirds 4-3 in the shootout at the XL Center. **Samuel Johannesson** opened the scoring 9:11 into the second period, beating **Louis Domingue** by his right arm. **Roobroeck** countered at 16:06, beating **Colten Ellis** with a shot from the left-wing circle to send the sides to the final frame tied 1-1. **Jaroslav Chmelař** gave the Wolf Pack the lead at 3:05 of the third period, lifting a rebound over the right pad of **Ellis**. **Matthew Peca** blasted his 22nd goal of the year home at 6:31, teeing up a pass from **Nikita Alexandrov** from the right-wing circle. A seeing-eye shot from **Hunter Skinner** found the back of the net at 13:05, giving the visitors a late lead. Just 40 seconds later, however, **Blidh** tapped home a backdoor feed from **Chad Ruhwedel** to tie the game 3-3 and force overtime. The Wolf Pack outshot the T-Birds 5-0 in overtime, but **Ellis** stopped all five shots to force a shootout. Each side struck once during the first six rounds, with **Alex Belzile** striking in the first round and **Matt Luff** in the third round. In the seventh round, **Blake Hillman** beat **Ellis** by the glove, then **Domingue** stoned **Johannesson** to give the Wolf Pack the win. **Blidh** leads the club in goals with 17, while **Belzile** paces the offense with 47 points (15 g, 32 a).

Comets Notebook:

The Comets hung on for a 3-2 shootout victory at home over the Rochester Americans last night. **Dmitry Osipov** opened the scoring 9:19 into the second period, potting his first goal with the Comets. **Foote's** power play strike 2:57 into the third period had the Comets ahead 2-0, but two goals in less than ten minutes forced an eventual overtime. **Konsta Helenius** got the Americans on the board at 8:43, making it 2-1. Then, with the extra attacker out, **Noah Östlund** tied the game at 18:35 to force overtime. After overtime solved nothing, the sides headed to a shootout that lasted nine rounds. **Adam Beckman** struck in the ninth round, while **Isaac Poulter** denied **Riley Fiddler-Schultz** to give the Comets the extra point. **Brian Halonen** leads the club with 19 goals, while **Foote** leads the way with 35 points (17 g, 18 a).

Yesterday/Last Night in the AHL:

Manitoba (3) @ Belleville (5)
Rochester (2) @ Utica (3) **SO**
Abbotsford (2) @ Calgary (3)
Coachella Valley (6) @ San Diego (5)

Charlotte (1) @ Cleveland (2) **SO**
Bridgeport (2) @ Lehigh Valley (5)
Rockford (1) @ Tucson (5)
Springfield (3) @ Hartford (4) SO

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (2) @ Syracuse (0)
Iowa (5) @ Milwaukee (4) **OT**
Ontario (0) @ Colorado (4)

Tonight in the AHL (all times Eastern):

Manitoba @ Toronto (4:00)
Wilkes-Barre/Scranton @ Hershey (7:00)
Bridgeport @ Lehigh Valley (7:05)
Chicago @ Texas (8:00)
Rockford @ Tucson (9:00)

Charlotte @ Cleveland (7:00)
Belleville @ Laval (7:00)
Springfield @ Providence (7:05)
Bakersfield @ San Diego (9:00)
Ontario @ Colorado (9:05)

Iowa @ Grand Rapids (7:00)
Rochester @ Syracuse (7:00)
Abbotsford @ Calgary (8:00)
Henderson @ San Jose (9:00)

New York Rangers Notebook:

The Rangers fell 3-2 to the Toronto Maple Leafs last night at Madison Square Garden. **Will Cuyll** tied the game 2-2 at the 3:47 mark of the third period with a shorthanded goal, but **Matthew Knies** broke the tie at 6:21, giving the Leafs the lead for good. Now 29-26-4, the Rangers welcome the Nashville Predators to town on Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

Tonight in the NHL (all times Eastern):

Nashville @ Islanders (12:30)
Boston @ Pittsburgh (3:00)
San Jose @ Ottawa (7:00)
Los Angeles @ St. Louis (8:00)
Vancouver @ Seattle (10:00)

Tampa Bay @ Washington (12:30)
Detroit @ Columbus (6:00)
Edmonton @ Carolina (7:00)
New Jersey @ Utah (9:00)

Calgary @ Florida (3:00)
Montréal @ Buffalo (7:00)
Philadelphia @ Winnipeg (7:00)
Chicago @ Anaheim (10:00)

Utica Comets (20-24-4-2) vs. Hartford Wolf Pack (22-25-5-1)

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GOALIES

#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
1	Isaac Poulter	6-2	174	27	12	9	5	1	2.73	0.905
56	Jeremy Brodeur	6-0	185	3	2	0	0	0	2.35	0.909

SKATERS

#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
3	Will MacKinnon	D	5-11	201	38	0	3	3	35	1
5	Joe Gambardella	C	5-10	200	28	4	8	12	4	-3
6	Colton White	D	6-1	195	40	2	13	15	37	1
7	Austin Strand	D	6-3	193	41	1	9	10	30	-7
8	Santeri Hatakka	D	6-0	190	6	0	1	1	6	1
11	Nathan Légaré	RW	6-0	208	47	8	3	11	77	-4
13	Jack Malone	F	6-1	195	40	7	3	10	6	0
15	Shane Bowers	RW	6-2	180	44	2	10	12	27	-10
16	Filip Engaras	C	6-1	200	40	2	6	8	16	5
20	Max Willman	LW	6-0	195	48	5	14	19	8	-10
24	Brian Halonen	F	6-0	205	43	19	10	29	39	6
25	Nolan Foote	LW	6-3	201	45	17	18	35	27	-3
26	Ryan Schmelzer	C	6-2	188	50	14	14	28	53	-9
34	Adam Beckman	LW	6-2	193	40	10	20	30	26	-10
37	Dylan Wendt	F	6-1	185	6	0	2	2	0	0
39	Mike Hardman	LW	6-2	205	38	13	8	21	14	-1
44	Dmitry Osipov	D	6-4	229	31	1	5	6	38	-6
61	Chase Stillman	RW	6-1	185	43	3	6	9	22	-12
67	Xavier Parent	F	5-8	170	39	11	13	24	35	-1
79	Samuel Laberge	LW	6-2	206	26	2	1	3	53	-6
83	Topias Vilen	D	6-1	195	37	1	16	17	14	0
93	Daniil Misyul	D	6-3	204	44	0	8	8	29	-6

Team Staff

Dan MacKinnon	General Manager
Ryan Parent	Interim Head Coach
David Cunniff	Assistant Coach
Eric Weinrich	Interim Assistant Coach
Brian Eklund	Goaltending Coach
Brian Suslow	Video Coach

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#	Name	Ht	Wt	GP	W	L	OT	SO	GAA	SV%
31	Dylan Garand	6-1	176	26	14	7	5	3	2.82	0.912
70	Louis Domingue	6-3	210	25	7	17	1	0	3.29	0.895

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#	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	GP	G	A	Pts.	PIM	+/-
2	Chad Ruhwedel	D	5-11	182	34	2	8	10	26	8
4	Casey Fitzgerald	D	5-11	181	50	4	12	16	49	-9
5	Ben Harpur	D	6-6	231	29	1	4	5	48	-4
6	Carter Berger	D	6-0	201	1	0	0	0	0	-1
7	Case McCarthy	D	6-1	198	10	0	1	1	2	5
8	Ryan Siedem	D	6-2	192	4	0	1	1	2	0
9	Brett Berard	F	5-9	165	30	9	14	23	43	-6
10	Adam Sýkora	F	5-10	179	52	8	16	24	6	-15
14	Connor Mackey	D	6-2	195	47	4	10	14	73	6
15	Brett Budgell	F	6-0	187	5	0	2	2	17	0
16	Jake Leschyshyn	F	5-11	199	50	8	9	17	24	-24
17	Blade Jenkins	F	6-2	195	34	2	5	7	14	1
18	Bryce McConnell-Barker	F	6-2	194	49	5	6	11	24	3
19	Lucas Edmonds	RW	5-11	178	35	4	5	9	12	-5
21	Anton Blidh	F	6-0	195	52	17	9	26	58	2
24	Benoit-Olivier Groulx	C	6-2	198	46	15	22	37	42	2
25	Blake Hillman	D	6-1	200	35	3	7	10	10	8
26	Erik Brännström	D	5-10	185	13	3	12	15	16	10
27	Blake McLaughlin	F	6-0	179	8	0	3	3	0	2
28	Dylan Roobroeck	F	6-7	205	53	10	11	21	35	-2
37	Nathan Sucese	LW	5-9	174	37	4	10	14	6	5
42	Jaroslav Chmelar	F	6-5	220	52	8	13	21	42	-26
49	Maxim Barbashev	F	6-1	183	2	1	0	1	4	1
55	Alex Belzile	F	6-0	205	49	15	32	47	88	10
58	Brandon Scanlin	D	6-4	216	47	5	5	10	22	-13

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OFFICIALS

Referee	Liam Maaskant (#45)
Referee	Casey Terreri (#75)
Linesperson	Kirsten Welsh (#10)
Linesperson	Cameron Carlson (#8)