SERIES NOTES

ROCKFORD ICEHOGS

All-Time Iowa Wild Record: 55-40-6-5 (28-23-1-1 at Wells Fargo Arena, 27-17-5-4 at Rockford)

Last Time: Iowa leveraged a pair of first period power-play goals to take a 2-1 victory in Rockford on Friday night... Caedan Bankier scored his first professional goal... Sammy Walker added Iowa's second goal on a 5-on-3... Brett Seney pulled Rockford within a goal at 8:39 of the second period... Jesper Wallstedt saved 27-of-28 shots

2022-23: Iowa went 7-3-1-1 against Rockford in 2022-23... Seven games went to overtime, with Iowa taking three overtime wins and two shootout victories... The Wild scored the first goal in nine of the 12 matchups

2023-24 IOWA WILD LEADERS

GOALS: Jake Lucchini (9) ASSISTS: Nic Petan (15) POINTS: Jake Lucchini (19)

PLUS/MINUS: Jujhar Khaira (+9)

PIM: Kale Kessy (59) PPG: Jake Lucchini (3)

POINTS/GAME: Nic Petan (0.90) GAA: Jesper Wallstedt (2.02) SAV%: Jesper Wallstedt (0.935)

UPCOMING IOWA WILD GAMES

OPPONENT	DATE	TIME (CT)	BROADCAST
at Milwaukee	12/20	7:00 p.m.	AHLTV/KXN0
vs. Manitoba	12/22	7:00 p.m.	AHLTV/KXN0
vs. Manitoba	12/23	6:00 p.m.	AHLTV/KXN0
vs. Colorado	12/28	6:00 p.m.	AHLTV/KXN0
vs. Colorado	12/30	6:00 p.m.	AHLTV/KXN0

MINNESOTA WILD

Previous Game

12/14 vs. Calgary Flames Boldy (8), Rossi (10)

Next Game

12/16 vs. Vancouver Canucks

2023-24 Season Record 11-12-4

TEAM NOTES

LOOKING FOR A STREAK: Iowa enters Saturday's game with an opportunity to match a season-high three-game win streak... The Wild have won two in a row over the IceHogs.... Iowa achieved a pair of three-game win streaks over Rockford during the 2022-23 season

SPECIAL TEAMS lowa's power play has converted in three games in a row and seven of the last eight

SCORING FIRST: Scoring first has been key for lowa in 2023-24... The Wild are 9-0-0-0 when scoring first and 2-11-1-1 when allowing the opening goal

THREE OR FEWER: Iowa's goaltenders have not allowed more than three goals in 15 straight games... The Wild are 8-6-0-1 over that span... Iowa is undefeated in the seven games in which the team has scored four or more goals this season

2023-24 ROCKFORD ICEHOGS LEADERS

GOALS: Joey Anderson, Brett Seney (7)

ASSISTS: Anders Bjork (11) POINTS: David Gust (17)

PLUS/MINUS: Cole Guttman (+5)

PIM: Josh Healey (35) PPG: Brett Seney (5)

POINTS/GAME: Joey Anderson (1.14)

GAA: Drew Commesso (2.91) SAV%: Drew Commesso (0.899)

CONNECTIONS

JOHANSSON: Saarela (Ilves)

LAMBOS: Del Mastro (Canada), Teply (Winnipeg)

MCINTYRE: Bjork (PRO)
MILNE: Teply (Winnipeg)
O'LEARY: Bjork (Notre Dame)
O'ROURKE: Del Mastro (Canada)

SPACEK: Marcel (Czechia)

MILESTONES

FOGARTY: Needs 8 goals to reach 100 AHL goals FOGARTY: Needs 6 points to reach 250 pro points

KHAIRA: Needs 9 GP to reach 500 pro GP

KHAIRA: Needs 6 assists to reach 100 pro assists PETAN: Needs 9 points to reach 300 pro points WELINSKI: Needs 2 points to reach 150 AHL points

THE WALL

- Jesper Wallstedt limited Rockford to a single goal in Iowa's 2-1 win on Friday
- The victory marked the sixth time this season that Wallstedt allowed one goal or shut out the opposing team
- Wallstedt allowed a one goal or shut out opponents eight times in 2022-23
- The second-year netminder ranks first in save percentage (0.935), second in games played (16), wins (11), and minutes (949), and fourth in goals against average (2.02)

CAREER YEAR

- Jake Lucchini has points in four of his last five games (2-4=6)
- Lucchini's 19 points (9-10=19) through 22 games lead the team
- Lucchini is currently on pace to pass his AHL career highs in goals (20) and points (53)

FAST FACTS

- lowa is undefeated when leading after both the first and second periods this season (9-0-0-0)
- The Wild have gone 10-7-1-0 when outshot
- Iowa is 1-4-0-0 when outshooting opponents
- The Wild are winless (0-10-0-1) when trailing after two periods

PLAYER STREAKS

- Simon Johansson leads Wild skaters with 59 consecutive regular season games played
- Iowa has started either Zane McIntyre or Jesper Wallstedt in 83 consecutive regular season games, dating back to Wallstedt's Nov. 20, 2022 start in a 5-1 win over Chicago

ZANE MCINTYRE

- Zane McIntyre has passed multiple Iowa Wild franchise goaltending records this season and is approaching another
- McIntyre set a new high for games played by an lowa goaltender (75) on Nov. 4 vs. Texas
- McIntyre also passed Kaapo Kahkonen's franchise saves record (1,981) on Nov. 4 vs. Texas
- McIntyre passed Kahkonen (4,431) for most minutes played all-time on Nov. 18 vs. Rockford
- McIntyre ranks second all-time in wins (35) behind Kahkonen (42)

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Dec. 4 - Dec. 15, 2023

- 12/4/2023: Dakota Mermis Recalled to Minnesota
- 12/4/2023: Vinni Lettieri Reassigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 12/4/2023: David Spacek Recalled from Iowa (ECHL)
- 12/6/2023: Kyle Masters Assigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 12/6/2023: Pavel Novak Reassigned to Iowa (ECHL)
- 12/9/2023: Gavin Hain Released from PTO
- 12/11/2023: Dakota Mermis Reassigned to Iowa (AHL)
- 12/12/2023: Kyle Masters Recalled to Iowa (AHL)
- 12/13/2023: Vinni Lettieri Recalled to Minnesota
- 12/13/2023: Daemon Hunt Recalled to Minnesota
- 12/13/2023: Dakota Mermis Recalled to Minnesota
- 12/14/2023: Gavin Hain Signed to PTO

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

- #5 Dakota Mermis (duh-COAT-UH MERM-iss)
- #6 Gavin Hain (HAYN)
- #7 Nic Petan (puh-TAN)
- #8 Pavel Novak (PAH-vehl NO-vahk)
- #9 Jake Lucchini (loo-CHEE-nee)
- #10 Vinni Lettieri (VIN-nee luh-TER-ee)
- #11 Adam Beckman (BECK-man)
- #13 Nick Swaney (SWAY-nee)
- #16 Jujhar Khaira (JUH-jar KARE-ah)
- #18 Simon Johansson (SY-muhn yoh-HAN-son)
- #21 David Spacek (SPAH-chek)
- #24 Joël Teasdale (jo-ELL TEEZ-dayl)
- #29 Steven Fogarty (FOH-ger-tee)
- #30 Jesper Wallstedt (YEHS-per VAHL-steht)
- #43 Greg Meireles (muh-REHL-ehs)
- #44 Kale Kessy (KEH-see)
- #52 Daemon Hunt (DAY-mun)
- #70 Zane McIntyre (MACK-in-tire)
- #71 Carson Lambos (LAM-bohs)
- #74 Adam Raška (RASK-uh)

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