



Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins

vs.

Lehigh Valley Phantoms



Wednesday, October 27, 2021

AHL Game #70

W-B/Scranton Penguins 3-1-0-0 (6 PTS, 3rd Atlantic)

Lehigh Valley Phantoms 0-3-1-0 (1 PTS, 8th Atlantic)

Team Game: 5 2-1-0-0 (Home) PP: 14.3%
Home Game: 4 1-0-0-0 (Away) PK: 88.2%

Team Game: 5 0-1-1-0 (Home) PP: 4.5%
Away Game: 3 0-2-0-0 (Away) PK: 92.3%

#	Goalie	GP	W	L	OTL	GAA	SV%	SO
31	G Filip Lindberg	2	2	0	0	0.98	.968	0
70	G Louis Domingue	1	1	0	0	0.98	.966	0

#	Goalie	GP	W	L	OTL	GAA	SV%	SO
30	G Samuel Ersson	2	0	1	1	2.05	.925	0
32	G Felix Sandström	2	0	2	0	2.05	.937	0

#	Pos.	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
4	D	Taylor Fedun	4	0	1	1	0	+2
6	D	Chris Bigras	3	0	1	1	2	+1
7	D	Mitch Reinke	0	0	0	0	0	E
8	D	Will Reilly	0	0	0	0	0	E
9	C	Radim Zohorna	4	0	0	0	2	E
12	D	Matt Bartkowski	4	0	0	0	4	-1
13	RW	Jan Drozg	1	0	0	0	2	E
15	C	Jordy Bellerive	3	0	2	2	2	E
17	RW	Anthony Angello	0	0	0	0	0	E
22	LW	Sam Poulin	4	0	1	1	4	-1
23	LW	Jamie Devane	4	0	0	0	9	E
25	D	Niclas Almari	3	1	0	1	0	E
26	C	Michael Chaput	4	0	2	2	2	+1
28	D	Cam Lee	4	0	1	1	0	-1
34	RW	Nathan Légaré	4	0	1	1	2	-2
36	C	Félix Robert	3	1	0	1	2	-3
39	RW	Kyle Olson	2	0	0	0	4	-1
44	LW	Jonathan Gruden	4	0	0	0	0	-1
47	C	Sam Houde	3	0	0	0	0	E
48	RW	Valtteri Puustinen	4	3	1	4	0	+1
51	LW	Filip Hållander	4	1	0	1	0	+2
57	D	Pierre-Olivier Joseph	3	0	0	0	0	+1

#	Pos.	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
4	D	Egor Zamula	2	0	1	1	2	-2
5	D	Adam Clendening	4	0	0	0	2	-1
6	D	Linus Högberg	4	0	0	0	0	-1
7	D	Cooper Zech	0	0	0	0	0	E
8	D	Mason Millman	2	0	0	0	2	-1
9	C	Cal O'Reilly	4	0	0	0	0	E
15	RW	Maksim Sushko	2	0	0	0	0	-2
17	C	German Rubtsov	4	0	0	0	0	-3
18	C	Jackson Cates	4	0	0	0	0	-1
19	LW	Isaac Ratcliffe	4	0	0	0	4	-1
20	LW	Max Willman	2	0	0	0	0	+2
21	RW	Linus Sandin	2	2	0	2	0	E
22	D	Logan Day	4	0	1	1	0	-1
23	C	Morgan Frost	4	0	0	0	0	-2
24	RW	Brennan Saulnier	4	0	1	1	24	+1
25	C	Connor Bunnaman	4	0	0	0	2	-1
26	C	Gerry Mayhew	4	1	0	1	6	-1
27	RW	Samu Tuomaala	2	0	0	0	0	E
29	D	Wyatte Wylie	4	0	0	0	0	-1
40	D	Ryan MacKinnon	0	0	0	0	0	E
42	RW	Hayden Hodgson	1	0	0	0	0	E
44	D	Cam York	4	0	0	2	2	-1
49	LW	Garrett Wilson	3	0	0	0	21	-5
71	RW	Tyson Foerster	4	1	1	2	2	+2

General Manager	Patrik Allvin
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Athletic Trainer	Seamus McKelvey
Equipment Manager	Jared Mycyk
Assistant Equipment Manager	John Usavage
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Assistant Coach	Jason Smith
Assistant Coach	Bill Downey
Athletic Trainer	Brian Grogesky
Equipment Manager	Zac Guercia
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Dan Meinz

Broadcaster	Nick Hart
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Broadcaster	Bob Rotruck
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NHL Affiliate	Pittsburgh Penguins
ECHL Affiliate	Wheeling Nailers

NHL Affiliate	Philadelphia Flyers
ECHL Affiliate	Reading Royals

Today's Officials

Referees	Mike Dietrich (15), Patrick Hanrahan (52)	Linesmen	Ryan Knapp (73), Michael Magee (41)
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Today's Schedule

CHI vs. GR, 7:00 p.m.	ROC vs. BEL, 7:00 p.m.	SYR vs. HER, 7:00 p.m.	TOR vs. LAV, 7:30 p.m.	COL vs. BAK, 9:30 p.m.
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Penguins vs. Phantoms Game Notes

For the third time in short order, the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins will drop the puck against their PA Turnpike rival, the Lehigh Valley Phantoms. Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (3-1-0-0) has made a habit of playing in down-to-the-wire finishes already this season. Lehigh Valley (0-3-1-0) has also been seen a photo finish in all four of its games, but has yet to come out on top yet this season. The Penguins have climbed their way to third place in the Atlantic Division, while the winless Phantoms sit eighth in the Atlantic.

LAST GAMES

Penguins

Sunday, Oct. 24

W-B/Scranton 2 at Lehigh Valley 1 (OT)

Goals: Puustinen (2)

Goalie: Domingue (28 saves / 29 shots)

PP: 0/3 **PK:** 6/6 **Shots:** W-B/Scranton 30 – Lehigh Valley 29

Phantoms

Sunday, Oct. 24

Lehigh Valley 1 vs. W-B/Scranton 2 (OT)

Goals: Willman

Goalie: Ersson (28 saves / 30 shots)

PP: 0/6 **PK:** 3/3 **Shots:** Lehigh Valley 29 – W-B/Scranton 30

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

The Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins posted a 2-1 win in overtime for the second game in a row, dispatching of the Lehigh Valley Phantoms at PPL Center on Sunday afternoon. Rookie forward Valtteri Puustinen led the way for Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, scoring both of his team's goals in the contest. Furthermore, Louis Domingue backstopped the Penguins with 28 saves to earn the win in his first game with the club. Puustinen put the Penguins on the board first, taking advantage of a Phantoms defensive zone turnover at 9:49 of the opening frame. Despite going to the penalty box four different times in the second period, the Penguins still managed to out-shoot Lehigh Valley during the middle stanza, 13-8. Wilkes-Barre/Scranton also maintained its 1-0 advantage thanks to an agile save by Domingue in the final seconds of the period. Pace picked up in the third period, and Phantoms goalie Sam Ersson made several huge saves, preventing Wilkes-Barre/Scranton from building a multi-goal cushion. With the goalie pulled and extra attacker on the ice, Max Willman tied the game with 46 seconds left in regulation. Overtime lasted less than a minute, as a snipe by Puustinen sealed the win for Wilkes-Barre/Scranton.

TONIGHT'S GAME...

The Penguins and Phantoms already face-off for the third of 12 meetings this season. Wilkes-Barre/Scranton took both decisions by the same score, 2-1. All three of the Penguins' victories this season have come by that same score, but nail-biting finishes are nothing new to either of these teams. Eight of the last 11 games between Wilkes-Barre/Scranton and Lehigh Valley have gone to overtime, and nine of those 11 games were decided by one goal. Penguins rookie Valtteri Puustinen leads the season series with three points, all of which are goals. Lehigh Valley looks to turn around its offensive woes, which include scoring only one goal per game through four contests. The Phantoms are also 1-for-22 on the power play this season, the second-to-last conversion rate in the league. They will be up against a Penguins penalty kill that has killed off 10 consecutive opponent power plays, though the lone man-advantage marker tallied by Lehigh Valley this season was against Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza. Working in Lehigh Valley's favor is its strong penalty kill. The Phantoms are breaking even on the penalty kill, scoring one shorthanded goal while only allowing one power-play goal against. They're also one of the league's most disciplined teams, averaging 3.23 times shorthanded per game. The only power-play goal Lehigh Valley allowed was to Puustinen and the Penguins.

ICE CHIPS...

- All three game-winning goals scored by the Penguins this season have come from different Finish players (N. Almari, K. Björkqvist, V. Puustinen).
- In both of Filip Lindberg's games this season, he posted identical statlines of 30 saves on 31 shots faced.
- The last four hat tricks scored by Wilkes-Barre/Scranton have all come against Lehigh Valley (Ryan Haggerty, Dec. 15, 2018; Jimmy Hayes, Mar. 13, 2019; Sam Lafferty, Mar. 23, 2019; Anthony Angello, Dec. 27, 2019).

PHANTOM MENACE...

- Cal O'Reilly sits 10th in the AHL's record book for career assists (503).
- Ian Laperrière is still looking for his first win since taking over as Phantoms head coach. Laperrière appeared in 1082 NHL games over the course of 16 seasons, and he spent the last seven years as an assistant coach with Lehigh Valley's NHL affiliate, the Philadelphia Flyers.
- Max Willman has scored in both of his games with Lehigh Valley this season since returning from Philadelphia after making his NHL debut.

SEASON SERIES...

