

LAST GAME: Dec. 21, 2019 - NYI 5 vs. ANA 6 (SO)

SUMMARY: The Islanders erased three different one-goal deficits to help force extra time before the Anaheim Ducks scored twice in the shootout to earn the 6-5 win Saturday afternoon on Long Island. Seven different Islanders recorded multi-point games, including **Mathew Barzal & Ryan Pullock** who both skated in their 200th career NHL games.

NYI vs CBJ SEASON SERIES:

NY Islanders are 2-0-0
Oct. 19, 2019: NYI 3 at CBJ 2 (OT)
Nov. 30, 2019: NYI 2 vs CBJ 0
Dec. 23, 2019: Uniondale, NY
Mar. 30, 2019: Columbus, OH

TONIGHT'S MATCHUP:

The New York Islanders faceoff against the Columbus Blue Jackets in their last home games of 2019 and last game before the team's three-day holiday break. Last time out, **Semyon Varlamov** and **Thomas Greiss** combined for a 39-save shutout as the Islanders topped the Blue Jackets 2-0 in Brooklyn last month. The Islanders are 2-0-0 against Columbus this season

CBJ TO NYI CONNECTIONS:

- Islanders head coach **Barry Trotz** (2015-16 and 2018-19) and Blue Jackets head coach John Tortorella (2003-04 and 2016-17) are the only active NHL coaches with multiple Jack Adams Awards on their resumes. Both rank among the top-15 coaches all-time in career wins.
- Islanders forward **Derick Brassard** played parts of six seasons with Columbus between 2007-13. Brassard, whom the Blue Jackets selected sixth overall in the 2006 NHL Entry Draft, recorded 169 points (58G, 111A) throughout his tenure in Columbus.
- Islanders forward **Matt Martin** and CBJ forward Cam Atkinson are two of just five players selected in the fifth round of later in the 2008 NHL Entry Draft to play more than 500 games in the NHL.
- Islanders forwards **Mathew Barzal, Anthony Beauvillier, Jordan Eberle, and Ryan Pullock** played with CBJ forward Pierre-Luc Dubois on Team Canada at the 2018 World Championship. Canada placed fourth at the event.
- Islanders forward **Jordan Eberle** and CBJ defenseman Ryan Murray are both products of Regina, Saskatchewan and represented Team Canada at the 2012 and 2018 World Championships. Islanders forward Andrew Ladd was also on Team Canada in 2012.
- Islanders defenseman **Scott Mayfield** and Blue Jackets forward Ryan MacInnis are two of just 16 players all-time born in St. Louis to reach the NHL level.
- Islanders goaltender **Semyon Varlamov** (KHL) and Blue Jackets defenseman Vladislav Gavrikov (MHL) and both played within Lokomotiv Yaroslavl's (RUS) organization during the 2012-13 season.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS:

- 12/21/19:** Andrew Ladd was recalled from Bridgeport (AHL)
- 12/19/19:** Tom Kuhnhackl was removed from LTIR
- 12/17/19:** Oliver Wahlstrom was been reassigned to USA Hockey (from AHL) for the World Junior Championships.
- 12/16/19:** Tom Kuhnhackl was recalled from loan (Bridgeport).
- 12/05/19:** Tom Kuhnhackl was played on LTIR and loaned to Bridgeport
- 11/06/19:** Otto Koivula was returned to Bridgeport (AHL).
- 11/14/19:** Andrew Ladd was assigned to Bridgeport (AHL).
- 11/14/19:** Andrew Ladd was placed on waivers
- 11/12/19:** Leo Komarov was activated off the team's IR list.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS INJURIES

***Players on injured reserve*

PLAYER	DATE	2019-20 GAMES MISSED
MICHAEL DAL COLLE	12/17/19	4
CAL CLUTTERBUCK	12/21/19	1

MAN GAMES LOST TO INJURY:

2019-20 Season: 87