



Danny Gruen



Daniel Patrick Gruen

Left Wing

Born June 26, 1952 in Thunder Bay, Ontario

Height: 5' 11" Weight: 180 lbs.

Danny Gruen left the NHL's Detroit Red Wings to sign a three-year contract with the Michigan Stags in the summer of 1974. After 34 games with the Stags, Gruen refused to follow the franchise to Baltimore and instead opted to sign with the Winnipeg Jets. He finished the 1974-1975 season with the Jets, but after a disappointing and brief tenure in Winnipeg, Gruen signed with the Cleveland Crusaders during the summer of 1975. He remained with the franchise when it relocated to Minnesota for the 1976-1977 season, but his contract was purchased by the Calgary Cowboys after the franchise folded in January 1977.

After one game with the Cowboys, Gruen joined the NHL's Colorado Rockies. He retired following the 1979-1980 season.

Scoring Statistics

		<u>Regular Season</u>					<u>Playoffs</u>						
<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>PIM</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>PIM</u>
1974-1975	Michigan Stags/ Baltimore Blades	34	10	16	26	73							
1974-1975	Winnipeg Jets	32	9	12	21	21							
1975-1976	Cleveland Crusaders	80	26	24	50	72	1975-1976	Cleveland Crusaders	3	2	0	2	0
1976-1977	Calgary Cowboys	1	1	0	1	0							
1976-1977	Minnesota Fighting Saints	34	10	9	19	19							

Jersey Numbers

<u>#</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>
18	1974-1975	Winnipeg Jets
8	1974-1975	Michigan Stags
23	1975-1976	Cleveland Crusaders
23	1976-1977	Minnesota Fighting Saints

Transactions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>
May 1974	Phoenix Roadrunners trade the rights to Danny Gruen to Michigan Stags for the rights to Jim Niekamp.
May 1974	Michigan Stags sign Danny Gruen as a free agent.
February 2, 1975	Baltimore Blades trade Danny Gruen to Winnipeg Jets for future considerations (two of ten players currently on active roster).
January 1977	Minnesota Fighting Saints trade John Arbour, Butch Deadmarsh and Danny Gruen to Calgary Cowboys for cash.

Draft History

Selected by Edmonton Oilers in 1973 Professional Draft (Fort Worth CHL).

Selected by Cleveland Crusaders in 1975 Dispersal Draft (Baltimore).