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# <u>FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP</u> October 22, 2024 – CALGARY FLAMES [4] vs. PITTSBURGH PENGUINS [3] (SO)

**Game Summary I Event Summary** 

The Calgary Flames welcomed the Pittsburgh Penguins to the Scotiabank Saddledome on Tuesday night to kick-off a three game homestand. Calgary struck first with Rasmus Andersson scoring the opening-frame's only marker to give the home-side a 1-0 advantage. In the second, Bryan Rust leveled things for Pittsburgh to knot this game at one a piece through 40. Pittsburgh would take their first lead 2:32 into the third before MacKenzie Weegar blasted a point-shot home to tie things at two. The Penguins would once again take the lead, but with under a minute left in regulation and the net empty, the Flames would draw level after Nazem Kadri buried his third of the season and forced overtime. The extra frame solved nothing, and in a shootout, Justin Kirkland converted in the sixth round followed by Dustin Wolf denying Evgeni Malkin to give the Flames a 4-3 victory.

CGY GOAL SCORERS: Andersson (3), Weegar (3), Kadri (3)

**GOALIE:** Wolf 35/38 .921 Sv%

**PP**: 0/4 (0%) **PK**: 3/4 (75%)

#### FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 4-0-1

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
October 22, 2024	PIT [3] vs. CGY [4] SOW	Kirkland*	Wolf	Nedeljkovic
October 19, 2024	CGY [1] at SEA [2] OTL	Eberle	Vladar	Daccord
October 15, 2024	CHI [1] vs. CGY [3] W	Kuzmenko	Wolf	Mrazek
October 13, 2024	CGY [4] at EDM [1] W	Mantha	Vladar	Skinner
October 12, 2024	PHI [3] vs. CGY [6] W	Backlund	Wolf	Fedotov

<sup>\*</sup>shootout winning goal

#### FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
October 24, 2024	7:00pm	vs. Carolina Hurricanes	Scotiabank Saddledome
October 26, 2024	5:00pm	vs. Winnipeg Jets	Scotiabank Saddledome
October 28, 2024	8:00pm	at Vegas Golden Knights	T-Mobile Arena
October 30, 2024	7:30pm	at Utah Hockey Club	Delta Center
November 1, 2024	7:00pm	vs. New Jersey Devils	Scotiabank Saddledome

#### **TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS**

This is the first of two meetings this season between the Flames and Hurricanes. Calgary and Carolina split their two-game season-series in 2023-24 with the home team winning on both occasions.

This is a Pacific Division versus Metropolitan Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 2-0-0 against Metropolitan Division teams and a record of 2-0-0 against Eastern Conference opponents.

#### **WEEGSY BABY:**

MacKenzie Weegar scored his third of the season on Tuesday against Pittsburgh to tie him with Nazem Kadri, Jonathan Huberdeau, and Rasmus Andersson for the team-lead early into the 2024-25 campaign. Since the start of last season, Weegar has found the back of the net 23 times which is tied with Nashville's Roman Josi and Colorado's Cale Makar for the most goals among all defenceman in the NHL through that span.

#### **RING OF FIRE:**

With their 4-3 victory over Pittsburgh on Tuesday, the Flames extended their season-opening point streak to six games. Calgary's run is the second longest in franchise history behind a 12-game streak by the Atlanta Flames in 1978-79 (10-0-2, 22 points) and the longest since the franchise moved to Calgary in 1980. This is also the first time the Flames have begun a season 3-0-0 at home since 1991-92.

#### **BAC-1K-LUND:**

Mikael Backlund skated in his 996<sup>th</sup> NHL game on Tuesday night against Pittsburgh, and now just sits four games away from joining the 1,000-games club. Backlund's NHL debut came back on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and has skated in all 996 of his NHL games in a Flames sweater. The 35-year-old is looking to become the 19<sup>th</sup> player of Swedish descent to skate in 1,000 NHL contests and become one of four active-Swedish-born skaters with 1,000 games-played and join Nicklas Backstrom (1,105), Victor Headman (1,058), and Erik Karlsson (1,010).

#### MAN-THA OF THE HOUR:

Anthony Mantha skated in his 500<sup>th</sup> NHL game on Tuesday night, skating in a season-high 16:44 of ice-time and converting in the shootout. Mantha was selected 20<sup>th</sup> overall in the 2013 NHL draft by Detroit and made his NHL debut on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. He would skate in 10 games during the 2015-16 season, scoring two goals and totaling three points. Mantha has become the 28<sup>th</sup> player drafted in 2013 to reach 500 NHL games.

#### **HUBY DOO:**

With his assist on Calgary's game-winning goal against Chicago last Tuesday, Jonathan Huberdeau registered his 498<sup>th</sup> career helper. With two more assists, Huberdeau can join Nikita Kucherov and Johnny Gaudreau as one of just three players from the 2011 NHL draft to reach the 500-assist mark and become the 25<sup>th</sup>-active skater to achieve the feat.

#### **CLOSE CONTESTS:**

Since the 2012-13 season, the Flames and Hurricanes have played 20 times with the Flames holding a 10-9-1 record over the 11-season span. During that time, 12 of the 20 contests the two clubs have squared-off in have been decided by two goals or fewer with four going to an extra frame, but never a shootout. The two clubs have only ever played one shootout against each other, it was at PNC Arena back on January 11th of 2011 with Carolina prevailing 6-5.

#### **HEY DID YOU KNOW?**

In Calgary and Carolina's first meeting of 2023-24, Mikael Backlund recorded an assist for his 506th point as a Calgary Flame. In reaching 506-points, Backlund passed Gary Roberts for sole possession of 10th place on the Flames all-time scoring list.

Jonathan Huberdeau skated in his first NHL game and scored his first NHL goal against the Carolina Hurricanes on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Huberdeau also recorded two assists for three points and was named the First Star in a 5-1 Panthers win.

On Tuesday, the Flames earned a win after scoring a tying goal in the final minute of regulation for the first time since April 26, 2022.

#### **CALGARY FLAMES vs. CAROLINA HURRICANES**

CGY vs. CAR	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
	48-26-7-2	30-9-2-1	18-17-5-1	4-5-1	L1

#### **GAME INFO:**

Calgary Flames vs. Carolina Hurricanes

7:00pm MT

Scotiabank Saddledome

TV: Sportsnet West

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

**2024-25 Season Series:** 0-0-0 (Home: 0-0-0, Road 0-0-0)

Oct. 24, 2024 – CAR vs. CGY Mar. 2, 2025 – CGY at CAR

2023-24 Season Record vs. CAR: 1-1-0 (Home: 1-0-0, Road: 0-1-0)

Last Home Win vs. CAR: October 22, 2022 - Calgary [3] vs. Carolina [2] (OT)

Last Road Win @ CAR: February 3, 2019 – Calgary [4] at Carolina [3]

Last Home Loss vs. CAR: December 9, 2021 – Calgary [1] vs. Carolina [2] (OT)

Last Road Loss @ CAR: March 10, 2024 – Calgary [2] at Carolina [7]

#### 2024-25 CALGARY FLAMES

#### **FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:**

Oct. 3 – assigned Jonathan Aspirot (D), Clark Bishop (F) and Jarred Tinordi (D) to Calgary (AHL)

Oct. 3 – placed Walker Duehr (F), Walker Duehr (F) and Jarred Tinordi (D) on waivers; cleared

Oct. 3 – signed Tyson Barrie (D) to a one-year contract

Oct. 4 – assigned Walker Duehr (F), Walker Duehr (F) and Jarred Tinordi (D) to Calgary (AHL)

Oct. 6 – placed three players on waivers: Jakob Pelletier (F); cleared and Devin Cooley (G); cleared Cole Schwindt (F); claimed by VGK

Oct. 7 - placed Yegor Sharangovich (F) on IR

Oct. 7 – assigned Jakob Pelletier (F) and Devin Cooley to Calgary (AHL)

Oct. 11 - recalled Justin Kirland (F) from Calgary (AHL); placed Kevin Rooney (F) on IR

Oct. 19 - placed Sam Honzek (F) on IR

#### FLAMES RECENT INJURIES (Total man games lost – 13)

Yegor Sharangovich – lower-body injury (6 games 10/9/24 – pres.)

Kevin Rooney – upper-body injury (5 games: 10/12/24 – pres.) Sam Honzek – upper-body injury (2 games: 10/19/24 – pres.)

## FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:

Jonathan Huberdeau – 498 assists (2 away from 500 assists)

**Tyson Barrie** – 396 assists (4 away from 400 assists)

Mikael Backlund – 996 games played (4 away from 1,000 games played)

**Joel Hanley** – 193 games played (7 away from 200 games played)

## **HOW THE FLAMES WERE BUILT:** (\* = injured)

Draft (6)	Free Agent (9)	Trade (7)	Waivers (2)
Andersson (53 <sup>rd</sup> overall, 2015)	Barrie (October 2024)	<b>Bahl</b> (From NJD – 2024)	Hanley (From DAL – 2024)
Backlund (24th overall, 2007)	Bean (July 2024)	Huberdeau (From FLA – 2022)	Pachal (From VGK – 2024)
Coronato (13 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2021)	Coleman (July 2021)	Kuzmenko (From VAN – 2024)	
Honzek* (16th overall, 2023)	Kadri (August 2022)	Miromanov (From VGK – 2024)	
Pospisil (105 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2018)	Klapka (May 2022)	Sharangovich* (From NJD – 2023)	
<b>Zary</b> (24 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2020)	Lomberg (July 2024)	Vladar (From BOS – 2021)	
	Mantha (July 2024)	Weegar (From FLA – 2022)	
	Rooney* (July 2022)		
	Kirkland (July 2024)		

#### **RECORD BY MONTH**

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
HOME	3-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	2-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	5-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

## **POINTS LEADER BY MONTH**

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Player	Andersson						
Points	3-5 – 8						

## **RECORD BY DAY**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1

## **RECORD BY DAYS BETWEEN GAMES/ON...**

0 Days: 1-0-0 1 Day: 1-0-0 2 Days: 2-0-0 3 Days: 0-0-1 4+ Days: 1-0-0 First of B2B: 1-0-0 Second of B2B: 1-0-0

## **RECORD WHEN...**

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	0G	1G	2G	3G	4G	5G	6G	7G
Scoring	0-0-0	0-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0
Allowing	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-1	2-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

## **PLAYER HIGHS**

## \*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Coronato)	10/15/24 vs. CHI
Assists, Game:	3 (Kuzmenko)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Points, Game:	4 (Huberdeau)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Shots, Game:	6 (Kadri)	10/19/24 at SEA
TOI, Game:	25:24 (Andersson)	10/19/24 at SEA
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Andersson)	10/13/24 at EDM
Saves, Game:	38 (Wolf)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Goal Streak	2 Games (Huberdeau/Weegar)	10/9/24 – 10/13/24
Assists Streak	3 Games (Pospisil)	10/9/24 - 10/19/24
Point Streak	4 Games (Zary 2-3 – 5)	10/9/24 – 10/19/24

	LAST TIME (2024-25)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	10/15/24 vs. CHI	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Regulation win, away	10/13/24 at EDM	
Regulation loss, home		
Regulation loss, away		
OT win, home		
OT win, away	10/9/24 at VAN	
OT loss, home		
OT loss, away	10/19/24 at SEA	
Shootout win, home	10/22/24 vs. PIT	
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home		
Shootout loss, away		
Shutout, home		
Shutout, away		

## CALGARY FLAMES ALL-TIME LEADERS (*Bolded* = Active Players) CAREER GAMES PLAYED:

Rank	Player	Years With Flames	Games
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jarome Iginla	1996-97 – 2012-13	1,219
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mikael Backlund	2008-09 - Present	996
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mark Giordano	2005-06 – 2020-21	949
4 <sup>th</sup>	Robyn Regehr	1999-00 – 2010-11	826
5 <sup>th</sup>	Al MacInnis	1981-82 – 1993-94	803

#### **CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:**

JERSEY		GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home		2	2	0	0	10/15/24: 3-1 W vs. CHI
Away		3	2	0	1	10/19/24: 1-2 OTL at SEA
Alternate	SAVEY	1	1	0	0	10/22/24: 4-3 SOW vs. PIT



## ON THE FARM CALGARY WRANGLERS (AHL): 5-1-0

The Wranglers are set to open their third season in Calgary following back-to-back playoff berths in their prior two campaigns. Rory Kerins was named the Howies Hockey Tape/AHL Player of the Week for the period ending October 20, 2024 with five goals in three games last week, moving into the league scoring lead and helping send the Wranglers to the top of the Western Conference standings.