



**FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP**

**January 4, 2025 – CALGARY FLAMES [1] vs. NASHVILLE PREDATORS [4]**

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The Calgary Flames finished off a three game homestand by welcoming the Nashville Predators to the Scotiabank Saddledome on Saturday night. Both goalies were sharp in the opening frame to keep this contest scoreless through 20, but 4:21 into the second, Ryan O'Reilly scored the icebreaker to give the visitors a 1-0 lead. O'Reilly would double the Predators advantage just past the midway point in the frame, but late in the period Mikael Backlund would rifle home his eighth of the season to draw the Flames within one heading into the final stanza. Nashville would restore their two-goal edge in the third and add an empty netter to knock off the Flames 4-1.

**CGY GOAL SCORERS:** Backlund (8)

**GOALIE:** Wolf 24/27 .889 Sv%

**PP:** 0/3 (0%)

**PK:** 0/2 (0%)

**FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 2-3-0**

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
January 4, 2025	NSH [4] vs. CGY [1] L	O'Reilly	Wolf	Annunen
January 2, 2025	UTA [5] vs. CGY [3] L	Crouse	Vladar	Vejmelka
December 31, 2024	VAN [1] vs. CGY [3] W	<b>Kadri</b>	Wolf	Lankinen
December 29, 2024	CGY [0] at VGK [3] L	Howden	Vladar	Samsonov
December 28, 2024	CGY [3] at SJS [1] W	<b>Backlund</b>	Wolf	Askarov

\*shootout winning goal

**FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:**

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
January 7, 2025	8:00pm	at Anaheim Ducks	Honda Center
January 8, 2025	8:30pm	at Los Angeles Kings	Crypto.com Arena
January 11, 2025	8:00pm	vs. Los Angeles Kings	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 13, 2025	5:30pm	at Chicago Blackhawks	United Center
January 14, 2025	6:00pm	at St. Louis Blues	Enterprise Center

**TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS**

This is the first of four meetings this season between the Flames and Ducks. Calgary went 2-1-0 against the Ducks in their 2023-24 season-series.

This is a Pacific Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 5-4-1 against Pacific Division teams and a record of 10-9-2 against Western Conference opponents.

### **LAST TRIP TO THE HONDA CENTER:**

The Calgary Flames last trip to the Honda Center came back on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the tail end of a California road trip. The Flames would find themselves up 2-0 through the opening frame, and continued to pour it on in the second, starting with a power play marker from Andrei Kuzmenko followed by a Connor Zary marker to make it 4-0 Flames through 40. The Ducks pushed in the third, scoring three unanswered goals, but Andrei Kuzmenko would net a pair to complete the hat trick, and help the Flames win 6-3.

### **HONDA CENTER SUCCESS:**

The Calgary Flames enter play tonight having won eight-straight outings at the Honda Center. Since the 2019-20 season, the Flames have not lost in Anaheim, outscoring the Ducks 32-12 over that span. Mikael Backlund leads all active Flames with six points from three goals and three assists when visiting the Ducks, helping the Flames remain one of just two clubs with a 1.000 points-percentage at the Honda Center since 2019-20 (Florida: 4-0-0).

### **BACK-TO-BACKS:**

The Flames are set to begin their fifth back-to-back set tonight in Anaheim before travelling to Los Angeles tomorrow night. Calgary has a record of 3-1-0 in game one of back-to-back scenarios, and a record of 1-3-0 in game two of back-to-back scenarios. The Flames next back-to-back set will come next week when they face Chicago at the United Center on January 13<sup>th</sup> before travelling to St. Louis to face the Blues on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **RAZZLE DAZZLE:**

Entering play tonight, Rasmus Andersson has recorded 42 goals in his career and with one more can surpass Dougie Hamilton and Noah Hanifin for the ninth most goals by a defenseman in franchise history. Andersson already ranks as the highest-scoring Swedish-born rearguard in Flames franchise history. Andersson's 494 games played also put him six away from becoming the eighth defenceman to skate in 500 games with the Flames.

### **JUNIOR CHAMPS:**

Ducks forward Brett Leason and Flames rearguard Brayden Pachal were teammates on the 2018-19 WHL Championship-winning Prince Albert Raiders. Leason posted a career-best team-leading 89 points with 36 goals and 53 assists, while Pachal led all defencemen in scoring on the Raiders with 15 goals and 36 helpers for 51 points, also a career-high. The club would advance to the Memorial Cup where Pachal would finish tied for second on the team in scoring with a goal and two assists for three points in three round-robin games.

### **KADRI 900<sup>th</sup>:**

Nazem Kadri skated in his 900<sup>th</sup> NHL game in Calgary's last trip to Anaheim to become the 12<sup>th</sup> skater from the 2009 NHL draft to reach the milestone. Through his first 900 NHL games, Kadri recorded 270 goals and 369 assists for 636 points and 688 penalty minutes. Since then, Kadri has recorded a team-high 31 points with 16 goals and 15 helpers in 42 games with the Flames.

### **HARVARD ALUMNI:**

Tonight's matchup features two of the nine active Harvard alumni in the NHL with Anaheim's Alex Killorn and Calgary's Matt Coronato set to faceoff. Coronato spent the 2021-22 and 2022-23 campaigns with the Crimson, totaling 38 goals and 34 assists for 72 points in 68 contests for Harvard. Killorn spent four years at Harvard from 2008 to 2012, amassing 109 total points in 130 NCAA games.



### **INTERIM COACH:**

Due to family reasons, on December 8<sup>th</sup>, Brad Larsen was granted an indefinite leave of absence from his duties as assistant coach with the Flames. Wranglers Head Coach Trent Cull will join the Flames as an assistant coach for the unforeseeable future. Cull is in his second season as bench boss with the Wranglers. Having coached in the AHL for 15 years, Cull was also an assistant coach with the Vancouver Canucks during the 2022-23 campaign.

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

Ducks defenceman Olen Zellweger and forward Brett Leason are both Calgary natives. Zellweger is preparing to face his hometown club for the third time in his career, while Leason is slated to face the Flames for the seventh time.

**CALGARY FLAMES vs. ANAHEIM DUCKS**

CGY vs. ANA	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
 	52-54-7-9	36-22-1-2	16-32-6-7	7-2-1	L1

**GAME INFO:**

Calgary Flames vs. Anaheim Ducks

7:00pm PT

Honda Center

TV: Sportsnet West

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

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

Jan. 7, 2025 – CGY at ANA

Jan. 30, 2025 – ANA vs. CGY

Apr. 3, 2025 – ANA vs. CGY

Apr. 9, 2025 – CGY at ANA

**2023-24 Season Record vs. ANA:** 2-1-0 (Home: 0-1-0, Road: 2-0-0)**Last Home Win vs. ANA:** April 2, 2023 – Anaheim [4] vs. Calgary [5]**Last Road Win @ ANA:** April 12, 2024 – Calgary [6] at Anaheim [3]**Last Home Loss vs. ANA:** April 2, 2024 – Anaheim [5] vs. Calgary [3]**Last Road Loss @ ANA:** April 3, 2019 – Calgary [1] at Anaheim [3]**2024-25 CALGARY FLAMES****FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:****Nov. 19** – recalled Adam Klapka (F) from Calgary (AHL)**Dec. 12** – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL); reassigned Adam Klapka (F) to Calgary (AHL), placed Justin Kirkland (F) on IR**Dec. 11** – assigned Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) to Calgary (AHL)**Dec. 12** – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL)**Dec. 13** – recalled Devin Cooley (G) on an emergency basis from Calgary (AHL)**Dec. 14** – assigned Jakob Pelletier (F), Walker Duehr (F), and Devin Cooley to Calgary (AHL)**Dec. 16** – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL)**FLAMES RECENT INJURIES** (Total man games lost – 61)

Yegor Sharangovich – lower-body injury (7 games: 10/9/24 – 10/24/24)

Kevin Rooney – upper-body injury (5 games: 10/12/24 – 10/22/24)

Sam Honzek – upper-body injury (5 games: 10/19/24 – 10/28/24)

Anthony Mantha – lower body injury (25 games: 11/7/24 – pres.)

Justin Kirkland – lower-body injury (14 games: 11/30/24 – pres.)

Dan Vladar - lower-body injury (1 game: 12/14/24)

Andrie Kuzmenko – lower-body injury (4 games: 12/14/24 – 12/21/24)

**FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:****Tyson Barrie** – 397 assists (3 away from 400 assists)**Dan Vladar** – 94 games played (6 away from 100 games played)**Rasmus Andersson** – 494 games played (6 away from 500 games played)**Ryan Lomberg** – 294 games played (6 away from 300 games played)**Kevin Rooney** – 291 games played (9 away from 300 games played)**Yegor Sharangovich** – 90 goals (10 away from 100 goals)

## 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)	Bahl (From NJD – 2024)	Hanley (From DAL – 2024)
Backlund (24 <sup>th</sup> 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)	
Pelletier (26 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2019)	Duehr (April, 2021)	Miromanov (From VGK – 2024)	
Pospisil (105 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2018)	Kadri (August 2022)	Sharangovich (From NJD – 2023)	
Zary (24 <sup>th</sup> overall, 2020)	Lomborg (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	3-2-0	6-1-0	4-1-3	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	2-2-1	1-4-3	2-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	5-4-1	7-5-3	5-3-3	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

## POINTS LEADER BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Player	Andersson	Kadri	Huberdeau	Coleman/ Andersson			
Points	4-6 – 10	4-5 – 9	8-7 – 15	2 pts			

## RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-3-0	1-2-0	7-1-2	1-1-1	1-3-2	2-1-0	5-3-2

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

**0 Days:** 1-3-0  
**1 Day:** 10-10-6  
**2 Days:** 4-1-0  
**3 Days:** 1-0-1  
**4+ Days:** 2-0-0  
**First of B2B:** 3-1-0  
**Second of B2B:** 1-3-0

## RECORD WHEN...

	0G	1G	2G	3G	4G	5G	6G	7G	8G
Scoring	0-2-0	0-3-2	2-5-2	8-4-2	4-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allowing	4-0-0	6-0-0	1-0-2	4-2-2	1-4-2	1-5-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-1-0

## PLAYER HIGHS

\*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Huberdeau)	12/28/24 at SJS
Assists, Game:	3 (Weegar)	11/21/24 vs. NYR
Points, Game:	4 (Huberdeau)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Shots, Game:	7 (Kadri)	12/28/24 at SJS
TOI, Game:	28:05 (Andersson)	11/25/24 at OTT
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Andersson)	10/13/24 at EDM
Saves, Game:	39 (Vladar)	10/24/24 vs. CAR
Goal Streak	5 Games (Kadri)	12/10/24 – 12/18/24
Assists Streak	3 Games (Huberdeau)	11/30/24 – 12/5/24
Point Streak	6 Games (Huberdeau 4-5 – 9)	11/30/24 – 12/12/24

	LAST TIME (2024-25)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	12/31/24 vs. VAN	12/21/24 vs. CHI
Regulation win, away	12/28/24 at SJS	12/10/24 at NSH
Regulation loss, home	1/4/25 vs. NSH	1/2/25 vs. UTA
Regulation loss, away	12/29/24 at VGK	12/8/24 at DAL
OT win, home		
OT win, away	11/5/24 at MTL	10/9/24 at VAN
OT loss, home	12/19/24 vs. OTT	12/17/24 vs. BOS
OT loss, away	11/27/24 at DET	11/7/24 at BOS
Shootout win, home	11/21/24 vs. MIN	11/19/24 vs. NYI
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home		
Shootout loss, away	11/9/24 at BUF	
Shutout, home	12/3/24 vs. CBJ	11/15/24 vs. NSH
Shutout, away		

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



1) Jarome Iginla  
1996-96-2012-13  
1,219



2) **Mikael Backlund**  
**2008-09 - Present**  
**1,029**



3) Mark Giordano  
2005-06 – 2020-21  
949






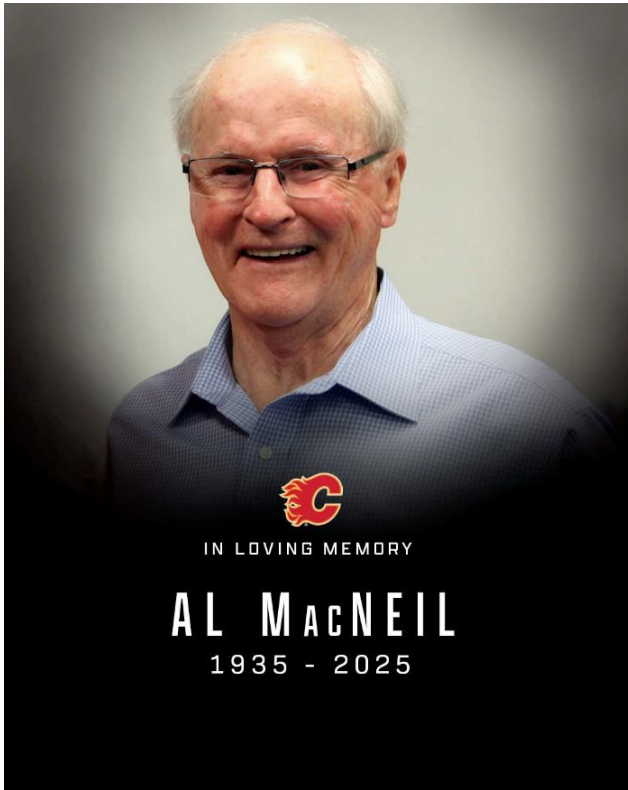
4) Robyn Regehr  
1999-00 – 2010-11  
826



5) Al MacInnis  
1981-82 – 1993-94  
803

**CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:**

JERSEY	GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home 	14	9	2	3	12/21/24: 6-4 W vs. CHI
Away 	17	5	8	4	12/29/24: 0-3 L at VGK
Alternate 	9	5	4	0	1/4/25: 1-4 L vs. NSH



The Calgary Flames sadly announce the passing of long-time Flames executive and former head coach Al MacNeil.

Al, a Stanley Cup winning Head Coach, National Hockey League player and Calgary Flames executive and consultant whose name is engraved on the Stanley Cup four times, including the Flames 1989 championship, passed away at the age of 89 years, on January 5, 2025, surrounded by his family in Calgary.

An Original Six player, Al was a rugged defenceman and open-ice hitter who played 524 NHL games for the Toronto Maple Leafs, Montreal Canadiens, Chicago Blackhawks, New York Rangers, later concluding his NHL playing career as a Pittsburgh Penguin following his selection in the 1967 expansion draft.

Recognizing Al's potential as a Head Coach, legendary Montreal Canadiens General Manager Sam Pollock acquired his rights from the Penguins and Al subsequently spent the last two seasons of his professional hockey career mentoring young players as a Player Coach, first for the Houston Apollos of the CHL in 1968-69 and in his final year for the Canadiens then top farm team, the Montreal Voyageurs of the AHL in 1969-70.

Al won his first Stanley Cup as the rookie Head Coach of the Montreal Canadiens in 1971, his second and third Cups as the Director of Player Personnel for the Canadiens' in their 1978 and 1979 Stanley Cup victories, and his fourth as the Assistant General Manager of the Calgary Flames' 1989 Stanley Cup winning team.

As a long-time NHL player, coach and executive, Al took tremendous pride in developing and coaching hundreds of NHL hockey players over many decades.

As the General Manager and Head Coach of the Montreal Canadiens' farm team, the Nova Scotia Voyageurs, he guided the team to three Calder Cup Championships in 1972, 1976 and 1977. He was named American Hockey League Coach of the Year two times, in 1972 and 1977 and was inducted into the American Hockey League Hall of Fame in 2014.

Al was an Assistant Coach of Team Canada winning the 1976 Canada Cup, and was also an Assistant Coach of the 1981 Canada Cup team.

As a junior player with the Toronto Marlboros, he won two Memorial Cups in 1955 and as team captain in 1956. Al was the last Head Coach of the NHL's Atlanta Flames and the first Head Coach of the Calgary Flames for their first two seasons in our city.

Committed to the team and the City of Calgary, Al was a part of the Flames' hockey operations for many years. He returned to the NHL bench as an Interim Head Coach for the Flames for 13 games in the 2002-2003 season.

Al is survived by his wife of 58 years, Norma, son Allister, a scout for the Flames, and his daughter Allison and son-in-law Paul Sparkes. He has two grandsons Jack Sparkes, a 2022 draft pick of the Los Angeles Kings, and Ben Sparkes, a university student in Nova Scotia who plays Junior B hockey. Al has a large extended family based in Nova Scotia, and across Canada and the United States.