

**FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP****December 21, 2024 – CALGARY FLAMES [6] vs. CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS [4]**[Game Summary](#) | [Event Summary](#)

The Calgary Flames finished off a five-game homestand on Saturday afternoon by welcoming the Chicago Blackhawks to the Scotiabank Saddledome. Calgary would open the scoring just past the midway point of the first with Jonathan Huberdeau being sprung on a shorthanded breakaway and sliding home his 13<sup>th</sup> to give the Flames the lead. Nazem Kadri would double the home side's advantage just over a minute later and Calgary headed into the first intermission up 2-0. The Flames offence would erupt in the second, with Connor Zary, Matt Coronato, and Blake Coleman all finding the back of the net to counter a Connor Bedard goal to give Calgary a 5-1 lead through 40. Chicago would push in the third, but the Flames would hang on and head into the Christmas break with a 6-4 win.

**CGY GOAL SCORERS:** Huberdeau (13), Kadri (13), Zary (8), Coronato (9), Coleman (8), Backlund (6)**GOALIE:** Wolf 24/28 .857 Sv%**PP:** 1/5 (20%)**PK:** 2/3 (66%)**FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 2-1-2**

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
December 21, 2024	CHI [4] vs. CGY [6] W	<b>Coleman</b>	Wolf	Mrazek
December 19, 2024	OTT [3] vs. CGY [2] OTL	Tkachuk	Vladar	Ullmark
December 17, 2024	BOS [4] vs. CGY [3] OTL	Pastrnak	Wolf	Swayman
December 14, 2024	FLA [0] vs. CGY [3] W	<b>Kadri</b>	Wolf	Knight
December 12, 2024	TBL [8] vs. CGY [3] L	Cirelli	Vladar	Vasilevskiy

\*shootout winning goal

**FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:**

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
December 28, 2024	8:00pm	at San Jose Sharks	SAP Center
December 29, 2024	6:00pm	at Vegas Golden Knights	T-Mobile Arena
December 31, 2024	7:00pm	vs. Vancouver Canucks	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 2, 2025	7:00pm	vs. Utah Hockey Club	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 4, 2025	8:00pm	vs. Nashville Predators	Scotiabank Saddledome

**TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS**

This is the first of four meetings this season between the Flames and Sharks. Calgary went 2-1-0 in their three meeting with San Jose in 2023-24.

This is a Pacific Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 3-3-1 against Pacific Division teams and a record of 8-6-2 against Western Conference opponents.

### **HUNGRY LIKE THE WOLF:**

On December 21<sup>st</sup> against Chicago, Dustin Wolf recorded his 10<sup>th</sup> win of the season in just his 17<sup>th</sup> appearance. The only other Flames rookies to reach 10 wins in 17 games or fewer are Mike Vernon (15 GP in 1986-87) and Dan Vladar (17 GP in 2021-22). Wolf also extended his home point streak to seven games (6-0-1) and established the second-longest run by a Flames rookie goaltender behind only Rejean Lemelin (11-0-5 in 1980-81).

### **WEEGSY BABY:**

With two assists in his last outing against Chicago, MacKenzie Weegar recorded his 100<sup>th</sup> point since joining the Flames in 2022-23. With 100 points in 197 games in a Flames sweater, Weegar has become the fourth defenseman to reach the milestone with the franchise in under 200 games over the past 25 years, and joins Dion Phaneuf (162 GP), Dennis Wideman (174 GP) and Dougie Hamilton (178 GP).

### **THE TEXAS TIGER:**

Blake Coleman recorded his 24<sup>th</sup> shorthanded point on December 21<sup>st</sup> against Chicago since making his NHL debut in 2016-17. Only five other players have recorded as many shorthanded points over that span: Brad Marchand, Jean-Gabriel Pageau, William Karlsson and Mika Zibanejad. Coleman has recorded 17 shorthanded goals since 2016-17, which is tied for the second-most among all skaters.

### **LOOK BACKS AT IT:**

With his goal on Dec. 21 against Chicago, Mikael Backlund tied Eric Vail for the 10<sup>th</sup>-most in Flames franchise history (206). With one more goal, Backlund can move into sole-possession of the 10<sup>th</sup>-most goals in Flames history and join Kent Nilsson as the second Swedish-born skater in the top 10.

### **FLAMES FIRSTS VERSUS SAN JOSE:**

Several Flames skaters recorded NHL firsts against the San Jose Sharks.

Matt Coronato and Dustin Wolf both played in their first NHL game against the Sharks on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with Wolf turning aside 23 of the 24 shots he faced to record his first NHL win. Rasmus Andersson and Nazem Kadri also both played their first NHL games against the Sharks (Andersson: April 8, 2017 at SJS) (Kadri: February 8, 2010 vs. SJS). Brayden Pachal scored his first NHL goal against the San Jose Sharks on October 12, 2023.

### **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?**

In Calgary and San Jose's first meeting of 2023-24, Jonathan Huberdeau recorded his 700<sup>th</sup> NHL point with an assist. At the time, Huberdeau became the third skater to reach the 700-point plateau from the 2011 draft class, joining Nikita Kucherov and the late Johnny Gaudreau.

Rasmus Andersson recorded his 200<sup>th</sup> NHL point against the Sharks on April 18, 2024 and at the time, became the 11<sup>th</sup> active Swedish-born defenceman to reach the 200-point plateau, and sixth rearguard from the 2015 draft class to achieve the feat.

### **CALGARY FLAMES vs. SAN JOSE SHARKS**

<b>CGY vs. SJS</b>	<b>ALL-TIME</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>L10</b>	<b>STRK</b>
 	71-54-8-6	37-25-4-3	34-29-4-3	7-3-0	W2

**GAME INFO:**

Calgary Flames at San Jose Sharks

7:00pm PT

SAP Center

TV: Sportsnet, CITY, CBC

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

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

Dec. 28, 2024 – CGY at SJS

Feb. 23, 2025 – SJS vs. CGY

Apr. 7, 2025 – CGY at SJS

Apr. 13, 2025 – SJS vs. CGY

**2023-24 Season Record vs. SJS:** 2-1-0 (Home: 1-1-0, Road: 1-0-0)

**Last Home Win vs. SJS:** April 18, 2024 – San Jose [1] vs. Calgary [5]

**Last Road Win @ SJS:** April 9, 2024 – Calgary [3] at San Jose [2] (OT)

**Last Home Loss vs. SJS:** February 15, 2024 – San Jose [6] vs. Calgary [3]

**Last Road Loss @ SJS:** December 7, 2021 – Calgary [3] at San Jose [5]

**2024-25 CALGARY FLAMES****FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:**

**Nov. 11** – recalled Adam Klapka (F) from Calgary (AHL)

**Nov. 16** – reassigned Adam Klapka (F) to Calgary (AHL)

**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 – 52)

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 (21 games: 11/7/24 – pres.)

Justin Kirkland – lower-body injury (10 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 – pres.)

**FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:**

**Tyson Barrie** – 397 assists (3 away from 400 assists)

**Martin Pospisil** – 97 games played (4 away from 100 games played)

**Connor Zary** – 97 games played (4 away from 100 games played)

**Brayden Pachal** – 96 games played (5 away from 100 games played)

**Dan Vladar** – 92 games played (8 away from 100 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)	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	3-2-0	6-1-0	3-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	2-2-1	1-4-3	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	5-4-1	7-5-3	3-2-3	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	Kadri	Huberdeau				
Points	4-6 – 10	4-5 – 9	5-6 – 11				

## RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-2-0	1-2-0	6-1-2	1-1-1	1-2-2	2-1-0	4-2-2

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

0 Days: 1-2-0

1 Day: 9-8-6

2 Days: 4-1-0

3 Days: 1-0-1

4+ Days: 1-0-0

First of B2B: 2-1-0

Second of B2B: 1-2-0

## RECORD WHEN...

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

## PLAYER HIGHS

\*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Coronato)	11/5/24 at MTL
Assists, Game:	3 (Weegar)	11/21/24 vs. NYR
Points, Game:	4 (Huberdeau)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Shots, Game:	7 (Sharangovich)	11/25/24 at OTT
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	4 Games (Kadri)	12/10/24 – pres.
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	12/21/24 vs. CHI	12/14/24 vs. FLA
Regulation win, away	12/10/24 at NSH	10/13/24 at EDM
Regulation loss, home	12/12/24 vs. TBL	11/3/24 vs. EDM
Regulation loss, away	12/8/24 at DAL	11/30/24 at PIT
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**  
**1,024**



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 	15	4	7	4	12/10/24: 4-3 W at NSH
Alternate 	6	4	2	0	11/23/24: 4-3 W vs. MIN