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# COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets vs. Winnipeg Jets || Apr. 4, 2026 || Nationwide Arena || 7:00pm ET || Game 77 (Home 39)

## GAME DAY SCHEDULE

**10:30am ET:** Morning Skate followed by Media with Players and Head Coach Rick Bowness

**7:00pm ET:** Game vs. Winnipeg

**Post-Game:** Locker room will open approximately five minutes after the game's conclusion. Head Coach Rick Bowness will be available immediately after player availability.

## BROADCAST INFO

**TV: FANDUEL SPORTS NETWORK**

Steve Mears (play-by-play)

Jody Shelley (analyst)

Dave Maetzold (reporter)

Brian Giesenschlag (host)

Jean-Luc Grand-Pierre (analyst)

**RADIO: 97.1 THE FAN**

Bob McElligott (play-by-play)

Dylan Tyrer (host)

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**PR X Account:** @BlueJacketsPR

**Website:** BlueJackets.com/PressBox

**Game Notes:** Game Notes available at Media.NHL.com

## MEDIA ENTRANCES

**Morning Skate:** Nationwide Arena Security Entrance

**Game Night:** Nationwide Arena Box Office (Opens at 4:30pm)

## OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Brendan Smith (Knee) 38

Damon Severson (Shoulder) 4

Dmitri Voronkov (Upper Body) 3

Mathieu Olivier (Upper Body) 2

Mason Marchment (Upper Body) 1

**TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST:** 194

## COLUMBUS

38-26-12 (88 pts.)

20-10-8 (48 pts.)

18-16-4 (40 pts.)

4th, Metropolitan

10th, Eastern

3.08 (17th) / 3.08 (19th-T)

19.6 (21st) / 76.2 (27th)

29.3 (7th) / 29.1 (21st)

Apr. 2 at CAR 5, CBJ 1

Apr. 7 at Detroit

## HEAD-TO-HEAD

Record

At Home

On the Road

Division Rank

Conference Rank

GF / GA (NHL rank)

PP / PK (NHL rank)

SF / SA (NHL rank)

Last Game

Next Game

## WINNIPEG

32-31-12 (76 pts)

18-14-6 (42 pts)

14-17-6 (34 pts)

6th, Central

11th, Western

2.81 (25th) / 3.03 (13th)

17.3 (28th-T) / 78.2 (20th)

26.3 (24th) / 27.8 (15th-T)

Apr. 2 at DAL 3, WPG 0

Apr. 6 vs. Seattle

## ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

18-18-0-1 (9-9-0-0 at Home)

## THIS SEASON (CBJ, 0-1-0)

Nov. 18, 2025 - at WPG 5, CBJ 2

Apr. 4, 2026 - at Columbus (7:00 pm ET)

## 2024-25 RECORD (CBJ 1-1-0)

Nov. 1, 2024 - WPG 6, at CBJ 2

Dec. 8, 2024 - CBJ 4, at WPG 1

## MATCHUP NOTES

- ★ Columbus has earned points in six of the last ten meetings between the clubs since Jan. 22, 2020 (5-4-1).
- ★ CBJ have won four of the last seven meetings at Nationwide Arena since Oct. 27, 2017 (4-3-0), but the Jets have won the last two-straight at Columbus.
- ★ The winning team has recorded four or more goals in 15 of the last 18 games of the series dating back to Dec. 10, 2015, and has limited the other team to one goal or less in six of the last nine since Nov. 24, 2021.
- ★ The home team has won all three games in the series requiring time beyond regulation (CBJ; 2-1 in OT).
- ★ The teams have combined for seven-plus goals in five of the past eight games at Nationwide Arena.
- ★ Columbus has recorded five of the seven shutouts in the all-time series (MR CBJ: Merzlikins, 36 saves in 3-0 W at CBJ on Nov. 24, 2021), but Winnipeg recorded the most recent one (Hellebuyck, 29 saves in 5-0 win at WPG on Jan. 9, 2024).
- ★ Each team has registered two hat tricks and a penalty shot attempt in the all-time series.



## JACKET TO WATCH - C Charlie Coyle

Has 6-19-25 with 5 multi-point efforts in 36 GP against the Jets. Has 2-8-10 in his last nine overall matchups against the club. Has collected assists in three of past four home games (2-3-5).



## JET TO WATCH - C Mark Scheifele

Has 4-14-18 in 23 GP with 3 multi-point efforts against the Blue Jackets. Has collected assists in five-straight matchups vs. Columbus (0-7-7) after recording three assists in Nov. 18, 2026 contest.



## TEAM NOTES

- ★ The Blue Jackets began their seven-game April schedule with a 5-1 loss at Carolina on Thursday. The team has three home and road contests each left in the regular season.
- ★ The Jackets have earned points in 17-of-20 contests at Nationwide Arena in 2026 (12-3-5), ranking third in the NHL in goals for per game (3.90), seventh in points pct. (.725) and ninth-T in goals-against per game (2.85) over that span.
- ★ CBJ have also earned points in 25 of the last 32 contests overall since Jan. 11 (20-7-5, 45 pts.). The club ranks third in the league in goals-against per game (2.63) and fourth in points pct. (.703) over that stretch.
- ★ Columbus leads the NHL with a franchise-record 56 goals scored by defensemen in 2025-26 (56-133-189, 76 GP).
- ★ CBJ rank fourth in the league in goals scored and goal differential in the opening period (78-59; +19).

## PLAYER NOTES

- ★ C **Adam Fantilli**, who led the club in goals and points (tied) in March with 7-9-16 in 17 games, has set a single-season career high in assists and points with 21-34-55 in 76 contests.
- ★ G **Jet Greaves** has earned points in 15 of his last 18 starts since Jan. 11 (12-3-3, 2.36 GAA, .913 SV% in 19 GP), ranking fifth among NHL goaltenders in GAA and seventh-T in SV% (min. 6 GP).
- ★ C **Boone Jenner** has recorded 2-4-6 in the past nine contests since Mar. 19.
- ★ RW **Kirill Marchenko** leads the club in goals and ranks second in points with 26-37-63 in 70 outings in 2025-26.
- ★ D **Denton Mateychuk** notched Columbus' lone goal on Thursday and has posted two goals in the last four contests. He is the third different CBJ blueliner (Werenski, Jones) with at least 13 goals in a campaign in club history (13-17-30, 69 GP).
- ★ D **Zach Werenski**, with 21-57-78 in 69 games in 2025-26, sits two assists shy of tying the franchise's record for assists in a single season set by Artemi Panarin (79 GP in 2018-19) and matched by the defenseman in 2024-25 (81 GP).



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**ANTHEM:** Leo Welsh

**CANNONEER:** TBD

**KID STARTER,** presented by OhioCot: Liam Erwin, Age 12, Dayton Stealth

**MILITARY HONOREE,** presented by Elk + Elk: Lt. Paul Navarro, U.S. Navy Reserve

**1ST INTERMISSION:** OhioHealth Future Jackets, CCYHA 2015 (Shootout), CBJ Scholarships Check Presentation

**2ND INTERMISSION:** Chick-Fil-A On-Ice Shot, Greif Blocked Shots Platform Check Presentation

**50/50 BENEFICIARY,** presented by Kemba Financial Credit Union: Delaware Speech and Hearing Center

**THEME NIGHT ACTIVATIONS:** N/A

**BLUE LINE ITEM OF THE GAME:** 3rd Scrum Navy Tee by '47 Brand

Originally \$49.99,  
available for \$24.99  
in the main team  
store and online, while  
supplies last.

