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Thursday, December 5, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

11-12-2 | 24 PTS 5th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 5-4 L vs. COL

Top Scorers

Alex Tuch: 25 GP, 8 G, 15 A, 23 PTS **Tage Thompson:** 20 GP, 13 G, 7 A, 20 PTS **Rasmus Dahlin:** 25 GP, 6 G, 13 A, 19 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 5 at BUF | 7:00 P.M. March 23 at WPG | 3:00 P.M.

WINNIPEG JETS

18-8-0 | 36 PTS 2nd place in the Central Division Last Game: 4-1 L vs. STL

Top Scorers

Kyle Connor: 26 GP, 13 G, 16 A, 29 PTS **Mark Scheifele:** 26 GP, 13 G, 14 A, 27 PTS **Nikolaj Ehlers:** 24 GP, 9 G, 16 A, 25 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has allowed just two power-play goals in the team's last 23 penalty-kill opportunities (91.3 percent).

Tage Thompson has registered 14 points (9+5) in his last 11 home games.

Alex Tuch has recorded 11 points (4+7) in his last 10 games.

Tuch needs one assist to reach 200 career assists.

Dylan Cozens has tallied three points (1+2) in his last three games and he has posted five points (2+3) in his last five home contests.

In his last three games, **Zach Benson** has recorded three assists.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched 17 points (6+11) in his last 17 games.

Dahlin's 72 career goals are the third-most by a defenseman in Sabres history and he is one goal away from tying Mike Ramsey for second place on Buffalo's all-time list for defensemen.

JJ Peterka is one point away from 100 in his career.

AS GOOD AS IT JETS

JJ Peterka has notched one goal in back-to-back games against the Jets.

A goal in tonight's game would make **Peterka** the first Sabres skater to record a goal streak of three or more games against Winnipeg since Jason Pominville from March 16, 2010 to Nov. 8, 2011 (four games).



Peterka (22 years, 326 days) would be the youngest Sabres skater to do since Tim Connolly from Feb. 17 to April 2, 2003 (three games).

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded six points (2+4) in his last six games against Winnipeg.

In three career starts against the Jets, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has made 87 saves on 95 shots (.916).

In his last eight games against Winnipeg, **James**

Reimer has made 261 saves on 284 shots (.919).

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jordan Greenway (middle body, IR); Sam Lafferty (lower body); Mattias Samuelsson (lower body, IR)

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 10-8-3 all-time on December 5.

<u>December 5, 1971:</u> Craig Ramsay records the first natural hat trick in Sabres history, leading the team to a 3-1 win at home against the Minnesota North Stars.

<u>December 5, 1997:</u> Dominik Hasek makes 38 saves in a 4-0 win against the Tampa Bay Lightning to record his third of a career-high 13 shutouts during the 1997-98 season.

4 YOUR COUNTRY

On Dec. 4, **Rasmus Dahlin** (Sweden) and **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** (Finland) were named to their home country's rosters for the 4 Nations Face-Off.

Since entering the league in 2018-19, **Dahlin** ranks first in power-play goals (26), second in games played (461), goals (72) and game-winning goals (13) and third in assists (239) and points (311) among all Swedish defensemen.

This season, **Dahlin** ranks first among all Swedish defensemen in power-play goals (3), tied for first goals (6) and second in points (19) and points per game (0.76).

Since the start of the 2023–24 season, **Luukkonen** leads all Finnish goaltenders in save percentage (.909), goals-against average (2.60) and shutouts (6).

Among those goaltenders, **Luukkonen** ranks second in games played (71), games started (68), wins (35) and saves (1,951).

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres	5	Winnipeg Jets
11-12-2	Record	18-8-0
6-7-1	Home Record	9-2-0
5-5-1	Road Record	9-6-0
4-5-1	Last 10 Games	3-7-0
3.00 (17th)	Goals For Per Game	3.65 (T-4th)
3.12 (19th)	Goals Against Per Game.	2.58 (4th)
14.7% (29th)	Power Play	30.7% (2nd)
80.3% (15th)	Penalty Kill	80.9% (12th)
49.4% (19th)	Team F0%	48.4% (25th)
52.0% (8th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	49.0% (20th)

