



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS WEEKLY REPORT

Mar. 17-23, 2025

CBJ Record 31-27-8, 70 pts. ♦ Metropolitan/Eastern 5th/10th

THE WEEK AHEAD

MON MAR 17
vs. **NEW JERSEY DEVILS**
Nationwide Arena
7 pm ET

TUE MAR 18
PRACTICE
Nationwide Arena
11 am ET

WED MAR 19
PRACTICE
Nationwide Arena
10:30 am ET

THU MAR 20
vs. **FLORIDA PANTHERS**
Nationwide Arena
7 pm ET

FRI MAR 21
at **PITTSBURGH PENGUINS**
PPG Paints Arena
7 pm ET

SAT MAR 22
No Practice Scheduled

SUN MAR 23
PRACTICE
OhioHealth Ice Haus
10:30 am ET

MON MAR 24
at **NEW YORK ISLANDERS**
UBS Arena
7:30 pm ET

STANDINGS WATCH

METROPOLITAN DIVISION

Team	GP	Record	Pts.	RW
1. WSH	67	44-15-8	96	37
2. CAR	67	41-22-4	86	36
3. NJD	68	36-26-6	78	32

WILD CARD

1. OTT	66	36-25-5	77	27
2. NYR	68	33-29-6	72	30

MTL	66	32-27-7	71	23
CBJ	66	31-27-8	70	23
DET	67	32-29-6	70	24
NYI	66	30-28-8	68	24

CBJ NEWS & NOTES

♦ Columbus, which is 12-4-1 in its last 17 home contests since Dec. 19, plays nine of its final 16 games on home ice... In seven games at Nationwide Arena since Jan. 25, the Blue Jackets have averaged 18,460 fans with six sellout crowds (over 18,144) during that span to raise the season total to 11... The Blue Jackets rank fifth in the NHL in blocked shots (tied; 1,105) and blocked shots/60 minutes (16.53)... CBJ blueliners rank first in the league in goals, second in goal percentage, fourth in points and points percentage and eighth-T in assists with 43-118-161, 20.2 pct. of the club's goals and 28.2 pct. of the team's points in 66 contests... The 43 goals are tied for the second-most by CBJ blueliners in a single season (2014-15, 2021-22), trailing only the 51 goals recorded in 2017-18.

OLIVIER'S CAREER YEAR CONTINUES

♦ RW **Mathieu Olivier**, who has recorded 5-2-7 in the past nine contests, has set career highs in goals, assists (tied), points, penalty minutes, time on ice, hits and shots on goal with 15-10-25, 120 PIM with 248 hits and 91 shots on 14:29 TOI. The 27-year-old entered the 2024-25 season with 13 goals in 168 career games. He ranks second in the NHL in penalty minutes (BOS's Nikita Zadorov, 128), stands third in hits (VAN's Kiefer Sherwood, 367; NYR's Will Cuyllé, 249) and is one of three players (FLA's Sam Bennett; OTT's Brady Tkachuk) with 10-plus goals and 80 PIM this season. Olivier will pass C Brandon Dubinsky (248, 2016-17) with his next registered hit for the most in a season in franchise history (stats tracked since 2005-06).



PLAYER NOTES

♦ D **Zach Werenski** (20-49-69, 65 GP) sits one assist shy of becoming the fifth different Jacket to reach the 50-assist plateau and one point from becoming the seventh different player to record 70 points in a single season... G **Daniil Tarasov** is 4-2-1 with a 2.52 GAA and .915 SV% in seven starts since Jan. 14... D **Dante Fabbro** ranks fifth in the NHL in blocks per/60 minutes (min. 15 GP) and ninth-T in blocks since Dec. 31 with 71 blocks and 7.34 blocks/60 in 26 games... F **Kent Johnson** ranks third in the NHL in 5v5 goals per 60 minutes in 2024-25 (min. 20 GP) at 1.48, trailing only Buffalo's Tage Thompson (1.94) and Washington's Alex Ovechkin (1.51)... C **Adam Fantilli** has posted 14-13-27 and averaged 19:24 of ice time in 28 contests since Jan. 2.

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENTS

NEW JERSEY



Monday - 7 pm ET AM SKATE - 10 am ET
TV*: FanDuel Sports Network RADIO: 97.1 The Fan
36-26-6, 78 pts. Metropolitan/East, 3rd/6th
2024-25: 3rd of 3 meetings... CBJ: 1-1-0
ALL-TIME: 29-20-4 (17-10-0, H)

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FLORIDA



Thursday - 7 pm ET AM SKATE - 10 am ET
TV: FanDuel Sports Network; CW 53 RADIO: 97.1 The Fan
41-24-3, 85 pts. Atlantic/East, 1st/3rd
2024-25: 3rd of three meetings... CBJ: 0-2-0
ALL-TIME: 26-21-5 (16-7-3, H)

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PITTSBURGH



Friday - 7 pm ET MEDIA AVAILABILITY - TBD
TV: FanDuel Sports Network RADIO: 97.1 The Fan
28-31-10, 66 pts. Metropolitan/East, 7th/14th
2024-25: 3rd of 3 meetings... CBJ: 2-0-0
ALL-TIME: 18-29-9 (5-18-5, A)

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* Game will be simulcast on the following stations (markets): CW 53 (Columbus), WKRC 12.2 CW (Cincinnati), WUAB 43.1 CW (Cleveland), WKEF 22.3 MyTV (Dayton), WQGW 30.1 CW (Charleston, WV/Huntington, WV/Portsmouth, OH), WKYT 27.2 CW (Lexington, KY), WAVE 3.2 Bounce (Louisville, KY)