



# BUFFALO SABRES

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December 9, 2023  
KeyBank Center  
Buffalo, New York

## COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach:** Don Granato  
**Assistant Coach:** Mike Bales  
**Assistant Coach:** Jason Christie  
**Assistant Coach:** Matt Ellis  
**Assistant Coach:** Marty Wilford

## PRONUNCIATIONS

**Cozens, Dylan:** (KUH-zihnz)  
**Dahlin, Rasmus:** (dah-LEEN)  
**Jokiharju, Henri:**  
(yoh-kee-HAHR-yoo, HEHN-ree)  
**Luukkonen, Ukko-Pekka:**  
(LOO-koh-nehn, OO-koh-PEH-ka)  
**Mittelstadt, Casey:** (MIH-tuhl-stadt)  
**Okposo, Kyle:** (oh-POH-soh)  
**Olofsson, Victor:** (OH-lawf-suhn)  
**Peterka, JJ:** (pih-TUHR-kuh)  
**Rosen, Isak:** (roh-SAY-ehn, EE-sahk)  
**Samuelsson, Mattias:**  
(SAM-yew-uhl-suhn, ma-TEE-uhs)

## SPECIAL TEAMS

**Power Play**  
12-for-79 (15.2%) -- 25th  
**Penalty Kill**  
70-for-86 (81.4%) -- 12th

## LEADING SCORERS

**Casey Mittelstadt:**  
27 GP, 6 G, 16 A, 22 PTS  
**Rasmus Dahlin:**  
26 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS  
**JJ Peterka:**  
27 GP, 11 G, 9 A, 20 PTS

## LEADING SCORERS VS. MTL

**Jeff Skinner:**  
39 GP, 24 G, 17 A, 41 PTS  
**Kyle Okposo:**  
39 GP, 7 G, 7 A, 14 PTS  
**Rasmus Dahlin:**  
14 GP, 1 G, 10 A, 11 PTS

## LAST 5 GAMES VS. MTL

10/23/23: MTL 3 at BUF 1  
3/27/23: MTL 4 at BUF 3 (OT)  
11/22/22: BUF 7 at MTL 2  
10/27/22: MTL 3 at BUF 2  
2/23/22: BUF 0 at MTL 4

## FORWARDS

### 53 JEFF SKINNER

5'11", 200 lbs. • Toronto, ON  
**2023-24:**  
27 GP, 11 G, 9 A, 20 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
959 GP, 344 G, 300 A, 644 PTS, 423 PIM

### 37 CASEY MITTELSTADT

6'1", 195 lbs. • Eden Prairie, MN  
**2023-24:**  
27 GP, 6 G, 16 A, 22 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
304 GP, 54 G, 107 A, 161 PTS, 64 PIM

### 72 TAGE THOMPSON

6'6", 220 lbs. • Phoenix, AZ  
**2023-24:**  
18 GP, 7 G, 7 A, 14 PTS, 8 PIM  
**Career:**  
319 GP, 110 G, 101 A, 211 PTS, 133 PIM

### 9 ZACH BENSON

5'10", 170 lbs. • Chilliwack, BC  
**2023-24:**  
17 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
17 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM

### 24 DYLAN COZENS

6'3", 201 lbs. • Whitehorse, YT  
**2023-24:**  
25 GP, 4 G, 9 A, 13 PTS, 25 PIM  
**Career:**  
226 GP, 52 G, 80 A, 132 PTS, 137 PIM

### 77 JJ PETERKA

6'0", 189 lbs. • Munich, DEU  
**2023-24:**  
27 GP, 11 G, 9 A, 20 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
106 GP, 23 G, 29 A, 52 PTS, 36 PIM

### 50 ERIC ROBINSON

6'2", 211 lbs. • Bellmawr, NJ  
**2023-24:**  
8 GP, 1 G, 0 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
267 GP, 38 G, 44 A, 82 PTS, 40 PIM

### 19 PEYTON KREBS

6'0", 186 lbs. • Calgary, AB  
**2023-24:**  
25 GP, 1 G, 3 A, 4 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
160 GP, 17 G, 36 A, 53 PTS, 86 PIM

### 21 KYLE OKPOSO

6'0", 216 lbs. • St. Paul, MN  
**2023-24:**  
27 GP, 3 G, 4 A, 7 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
1011 GP, 233 G, 366 A, 599 PTS, 530 PIM

### 71 VICTOR OLOFSSON

5'11", 182 lbs. • Ornskoldsvik, SWE  
**2023-24:**  
21 GP, 4 G, 7 A, 11 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
284 GP, 87 G, 91 A, 178 PTS, 28 PIM

### 17 TYSON JOST

5'11", 184 lbs. • St. Albert, AB  
**2023-24:**  
22 GP, 2 G, 2 A, 4 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
435 GP, 56 G, 82 A, 138 PTS, 158 PIM

### 63 ISAK ROSEN

6'0", 173 lbs. • Solna, SWE  
**2023-24:**  
6 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
6 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM

## DEFENSEMEN

### 26 RASMUS DAHLIN

6'3", 204 lbs. • Lidköping, SWE  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 6 G, 15 A, 21 PTS, 20 PIM  
**Career:**  
381 GP, 52 G, 202 A, 254 PTS, 278 PIM

### 10 HENRI JOKIHARJU

6'0", 200 lbs. • Oulu, FIN  
**2023-24:**  
24 GP, 2 G, 7 A, 9 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
297 GP, 15 G, 61 A, 76 PTS, 104 PIM

### 25 OWEN POWER

6'6", 221 lbs. • Mississauga, ON  
**2023-24:**  
27 GP, 1 G, 11 A, 12 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
114 GP, 7 G, 43 A, 50 PTS, 32 PIM

### 23 MATTIAS SAMUELSSON

6'4", 224 lbs. • Philadelphia, PA  
**2023-24:**  
24 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
133 GP, 3 G, 22 A, 25 PTS, 54 PIM

### 6 ERIK JOHNSON

6'4", 225 lbs. • Bloomington, MN  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
946 GP, 90 G, 249 A, 339 PTS, 516 PIM

### 75 CONNOR CLIFTON

5'11", 192 lbs. • Matawan, NJ  
**2023-24:**  
24 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 39 PIM  
**Career:**  
256 GP, 10 G, 36 A, 46 PTS, 196 PIM

## GOALTENDERS

### 27 DEVON LEVI

6'0", 192 lbs. • Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC  
**2023-24 (NHL):**  
10 GP, 4-4-1, .887 SV%, 3.44 GAA  
**Career (NHL):**  
17 GP, 9-6-1, .895 SV%, 3.22 GAA  
**vs. MTL:**  
0 GP, 0-0-0, .000 SV%, 0.00 GAA

### 31 ERIC COMRIE

6'1", 190 lbs. • Edmonton, AB  
**2023-24 (NHL):**  
7 GP, 1-5-0, .863 SV%, 4.01 GAA  
**Career (NHL):**  
54 GP, 23-24-2, .893 SV%, 3.40 GAA  
**vs. MTL:**  
3 GP, 0-2-1, .912 SV%, 2.98 GAA

## SCRATCHES

### 1 UKKO-PEKKA LUUKKONEN

6'5", 217 lbs. • Espoo, FIN  
**2023-24 (NHL):**  
13 GP, 6-5-1, .907 SV%, 2.81 GAA  
**Career (NHL):**  
59 GP, 26-24-7, .900 SV%, 3.33 GAA

### 33 RYAN JOHNSON

6'1", 195 lbs. • Newport Beach, CA  
**2023-24:**  
14 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
14 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 4 PIM

### 78 JACOB BRYSON

5'9", 174 lbs. • London, ON  
**2023-24:**  
3 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
7 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 0 PIM

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**Assistant Coach:** Stephane Robidas  
**Goaltending Coach:** Eric Raymond

### PRONUNCIATIONS

**Armia, Joel:** (ahr-MEE-uh, JOHL)  
**Caufield, Cole:** (KAW-feeld)  
**Guhle, Kaiden:** (GOO-lee, KAY-dehn)  
**Kovacevic, Johnathan:**  
(koh-va-SEHV-ihk)  
**Montembeault, Sam:** (MAWN-tehm-boh)  
**Norlinder, Mattias:**  
(nohr-LIHN-duhr, ma-TEE-uhs)  
**Pezetta, Michael:** (puh-ZEH-tuh)  
**Primeau, Cayden:** (PREE-moh)  
**Slafkovsky, Juraj:**  
(slaf-KAHV-skee, YUHR-igh)  
**Suzuki, Nick:** (suh-ZOO-kee)  
**Struble, Jayden:** (STROO-buhl, JAY-dehn)  
**Ylonen, Jesse:** (OO-lah-neh, YEH-see)

### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Power Play**  
16-for-93 (17.2%) -- 24th  
**Penalty Kill**  
69-for-95 (72.6%) -- 30th

### LEADING SCORERS

**Nick Suzuki:**  
26 GP, 7 G, 14 A, 21 PTS  
**Cole Caufield:**  
26 GP, 7 G, 13 A, 20 PTS  
**Mike Matheson:**  
26 GP, 5 G, 13 A, 18 PTS

### LEADING SCORERS VS. BUF

**Brendan Gallagher:**  
36 GP, 18 G, 4 A, 22 PTS  
**Sean Monahan:**  
19 GP, 8 G, 12 A, 20 PTS  
**Tanner Pearson:**  
16 GP, 5 G, 8 A, 13 PTS

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11/22/22: **BUF 7** at MTL 2  
10/27/22: **MTL 3** at BUF 2  
2/23/22: BUF 0 at **MTL 4**

### FORWARDS

## 22 COLE CAUFIELD

5'8", 175 lbs. • Mosinee, WI  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 7 G, 13 A, 20 PTS, 8 PIM  
**Career:**  
149 GP, 60 G, 44 A, 104 PTS, 22 PIM

## 14 NICK SUZUKI

5'11", 212 lbs. • London, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 7 G, 14 A, 21 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
317 GP, 82 G, 148 A, 230 PTS, 101 PIM

## 20 JURAJ SLAFKOVSKY

6'3", 230 lbs. • Kosice, SVK  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
65 GP, 6 G, 11 A, 17 PTS, 47 PIM

## 91 SEAN MONAHAN

6'2", 202 lbs. • Brampton, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 8 G, 7 A, 15 PTS, 10 PIM  
**Career:**  
707 GP, 226 G, 268 A, 494 PTS, 179 PIM

## 71 JAKE EVANS

6'1", 187 lbs. • Toronto, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 1 G, 7 A, 8 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
212 GP, 21 G, 51 A, 72 PTS, 85 PIM

## 17 JOSH ANDERSON

6'3", 224 lbs. • Burlington, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 1 G, 4 A, 5 PTS, 31 PIM  
**Career:**  
483 GP, 123 G, 85 A, 208 PTS, 418 PIM

## 70 TANNER PEARSON

6'1", 207 lbs. • Kitchener, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 4 G, 4 A, 8 PTS, 13 PIM  
**Career:**  
616 GP, 137 G, 143 A, 280 PTS, 222 PIM

## 28 CHRISTIAN DVORAK

6'1", 192 lbs. • Palos, IL  
**2023-24:**  
16 GP, 1 G, 4 A, 5 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
438 GP, 89 G, 123 A, 212 PTS, 102 PIM

## 11 BRENDAN GALLAGHER

5'9", 183 lbs. • Edmonton, AB  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 5 G, 5 A, 10 PTS, 20 PIM  
**Career:**  
701 GP, 207 G, 198 A, 405 PTS, 462 PIM

## 56 JESSE YLONEN

6'1", 200 lbs. • Scottsdale, AZ  
**2023-24:**  
19 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 4 PTS, 6 PIM  
**Career:**  
71 GP, 11 G, 14 A, 25 PTS, 8 PIM

## 13 MITCHELL STEPHENS

6'0", 203 lbs. • Peterborough, ON  
**2023-24:**  
3 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
75 GP, 3 G, 10 A, 13 PTS, 20 PIM

## 40 JOEL ARMIA

6'3", 216 lbs. • Pori, FIN  
**2023-24:**  
10 GP, 3 G, 0 A, 3 PTS, 2 PIM  
**Career:**  
449 GP, 78 G, 78 A, 156 PTS, 144 PIM

### DEFENSEMEN

## 8 MIKE MATHESON

6'2", 196 lbs. • Pointe-Claire, QC  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 5 G, 13 A, 18 PTS, 22 PIM  
**Career:**  
491 GP, 62 G, 128 A, 190 PTS, 273 PIM

## 27 GUSTAV LINDSTROM

6'2", 194 lbs. • Ostervalda, SWE  
**2023-24:**  
13 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 4 PTS, 4 PIM  
**Career:**  
141 GP, 5 G, 24 A, 29 PTS, 60 PIM

## 30 CAYDEN PRIMEAU

6'3", 207 lbs. • Farmington Hills, MI  
**2023-24 (NHL):**  
5 GP, 2-3-0, .886 SV%, 3.72 GAA  
**Career (NHL):**  
26 GP, 5-15-2, .875 SV%, 4.02 GAA  
**vs. BUF:**  
0 GP, 0-0-0, .000 SV%, 0.00 GAA

## 21 KAIDEN GUHLE

6'3", 201 lbs. • Edmonton, AB  
**2023-24:**  
22 GP, 2 G, 6 A, 8 PTS, 18 PIM  
**Career:**  
66 GP, 6 G, 20 A, 26 PTS, 45 PIM

## 52 JUSTIN BARRON

6'2", 202 lbs. • Halifax, NS  
**2023-24:**  
23 GP, 5 G, 3 A, 8 PTS, 14 PIM  
**Career:**  
69 GP, 10 G, 15 A, 25 PTS, 34 PIM

## 47 JAYDEN STRUBLE

6'0", 202 lbs. • Cumberland, RI  
**2023-24:**  
8 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
8 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM

## 26 JOHNATHAN KOVACEVIC

6'5", 223 lbs. • Hamilton, ON  
**2023-24:**  
26 GP, 4 G, 0 A, 4 PTS, 12 PIM  
**Career:**  
107 GP, 7 G, 12 A, 19 PTS, 53 PIM

### SCRATCHES

## 34 JAKE ALLEN

6'2", 197 lbs. • Fredericton, NB  
**2023-24 (NHL):**  
10 GP, 3-5-2, .898 SV%, 3.74 GAA  
**Career (NHL):**  
405 GP, 186-155-40, .908 SV%, 2.73 GAA

## 55 MICHAEL PEZZETTA

6'1", 217 lbs. • Toronto, ON  
**2023-24:**  
18 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 21 PIM  
**Career:**  
132 GP, 13 G, 16 A, 29 PTS, 179 PIM

## 59 MATTIAS NORLINDER

6'0", 191 lbs. • Kramfors, SWE  
**2023-24:**  
0 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM  
**Career:**  
6 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 2 PIM

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