

BUFFALD SABRES

Thursday, December 7, 2023 | 7:00 P.M. | TD Garden | Broadcast: MSG



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Last Game: 5-3 L vs. DET

10-14-2 | 22 PTS 7th place in the Atlantic Division

Top Scorers

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

Season Series:

Nov. 14 at BUF | 5-2 L Dec. 7 at BOS | 7:00 P.M. Dec. 27 at BUF | 7:30 P.M.

BOSTON BRUINS

17-4-3 | 37 PTS 1st place in the Atlantic Division Last Game: 3-1 W vs. CBJ

Top Scorers

David Pastrnak: 24 GP, 14 G, 22 A, 36 PTS **Brad Marchand:** 24 GP, 11 G, 12 A, 23 PTS **Charlie Coyle:** 24 GP, 9 G, 11 A, 20 PTS



THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Since Nov. 19, the Sabres have gone 7-for-27 (25.9 percent) on the power play. During that span, the team ranks eighth in the NHL in power-play percentage and is tied for fourth in the league in power-play goals.

Peyton Krebs has tallied three points (1+2) in his last two road contests.



Rasmus Dahlin has notched 10 points (3+7) in his last 10 games.

Dahlin has 13 points (4+9) in 14 road games this season and has not gone consecutive road contests without a point.

Kyle Okposo needs one point to reach 600 in his NHL career.

Victor Olofsson has tallied seven points (1+6) in his last eight games, including three

multi-assist performances in that span.

Casey Mittelstadt has recorded nine points (3+6) in his last nine games, including seven points (2+5) in six road games during that span.



LL COOL JJ

Through Buffalo's first 26 games, **JJ Peterka** leads all Sabres skaters ranks second on the team in game-winning goals (2) and shooting percentage (15.2; min. 3 SOG).

Peterka is on pace to score 32 goals in 2023-24 and he is two goals away from matching his season total from 2022-23 (12).

According to Natural Stat Trick, at 5-on-5, **Peterka** ranks second among all Sabres skaters in expected goals for (5.74) and high-danger chances for (25).

Peterka (10+9) is the youngest Sabres skater since Jack Eichel in 2017-18 (10+19) to record 10 or more goals and nine or more assists through their first 26 games of a season.



Peterka is one of nine NHL skaters age 22 or younger who have recorded at least 19 points in 2023-24.



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Zemgus Girgensons (lower body, IR); Jordan Greenway (upper body, IR); Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen (illness); Jack Quinn (Achilles, IR); Alex Tuch (undisclosed, IR)



ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 6-13-5 all-time on December 7.

<u>December 7, 2002:</u> The Sabres record the 1,200th win in franchise history on a game-winning goal from Adam Mair, topping the Washington Capitals 4-3 at home.

<u>December 7, 2022</u>: **Tage Thompson** ties a franchise record with five goals in a 9-4 win in Columbus. **Thompson's** first four goals were scored in the first 16:40 of the game, which marked the second-fastest time to four goals in NHL history.



NEW MAN ON CAMPUS

The Sabres acquired forward **Eric Robinson** from the Columbus Blue Jackets in exchange for a conditional seventh-round pick in the 2025 NHL Draft on Dec. 6.

Robinson has appeared in 266 NHL games with Columbus and has recorded 82 points (38+44) in that span, including a career-high 12 goals in 2022-23.

This season, **Robinson** has posted one goal in seven games for the Blue Jackets while also appearing in nine games for Cleveland (AHL).



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		Boston Bruins
10-14-2	Record	17-4-3
5-7-0	Home Record	9-1-1
5-7-2	Road Record	8-3-2
3-6-1	Last 10 Games	6-3-1
2.85 (25th)	Goals For Per Game	3.33 (T-10th)
3.46 (24th)	Goals Against Per Game	2.46 (3rd)
15.8% (25th)	Power Play	22.8% (11th)
81.2% (T-12th)	Penalty Kill	89.0% (1st)
44.6% (32nd)	Team F0%	50.3% (19th)
48.7% (20th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	49.1% (16th)



