

ST.LOUIS BLUES 18

BUFFALD SABRES

Thursday, November 30, 2023 | 8:00 P.M. | Enterprise Center | Broadcast: MSG



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10-10-2 | 22 PTS 6th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 5-1 W at NYR

Top Scorers

Casey Mittelstadt: 22 GP, 4 G, 16 A, 20 PTS **Jeff Skinner:** 22 GP, 10 G, 8 A, 18 PTS **Rasmus Dahlin:** 22 GP, 4 G, 14 A, 18 PTS

Season Series:

Nov. 30 at STL | 8:00 P.M. Feb. 10 at BUF | 1:00 P.M.

ST. LOUIS BLUES

 $11-9-1 \mid 23$ PTS 4th place in the Central Division Last Game: 3-1 L at MIN

Top Scorers

Robert Thomas: 21 GP, 8 G, 14 A, 22 PTS **Pavel Buchnevich:** 19 GP, 8 G, 8 A, 16 PTS **Jordan Kyrou:** 21 GP, 4 G, 9 A, 13 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has earned a win in two consecutive games against St. Louis and a win in tonight's game would give the team a three-game winning streak against the Blues for the first time since the Sabres beat the Blues in three straight games from Oct. 22, 1995 to Nov. 1, 1996.



Kyle Okposo has tallied a goal in three straight games and a goal in tonight's game would give him a four-game goal streak for the first time since he recorded a goal in five straight games from March 24 to 31, 2012.

Jeff Skinner is riding a three-game point streak and a point in tonight's game would give him his second point

streak of four or more games this season (six games, Oct. 21 to Nov. 1; 4+5).

JJ Peterka has registered 15 points (7+8) in his last 15 games, including at least one point in six of his last seven games.

Alex Tuch has tallied 15 points (8+7) in his last 13 games, including five points (3+2) in his last three games.

Rasmus Dahlin has notched seven points (1+6) in his last six games.

Casey Mittelstadt has notched at least one assist in five consecutive games and an assist in tonight's game would extend his career-long assist streak to six games.

If he plays tonight, tonight's game would mark Mittelstadt's 300th NHL game.

Victor Olofsson has recorded eight points (2+6) in his last seven games, including six assists in his last four.



UPW

Dating back to Nov. 11, 2023, among goaltenders with at least five games played since that date, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** leads all NHL goaltenders in save percentage (.942) and ranks second in goals-against average (1.84).

Luukkonen has made 129 saves on 137 shots in his last five appearances, including 107 saves on 113 even-strength shots in that span (.947).

Luukkonen is 2-0-0 against the Blues in his career and he has posted a .922 save percentage and a 2.51 goals-against average in those games.



BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Zemgus Girgensons (lower body, IR); Jack Quinn (Achilles, IR); Tage Thompson (upper body, IR)



ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 7-8-5 all-time on November 30.

<u>November 30, 1980:</u> The Sabres defeat the Colorado Rockies 4-1 at the Buffalo Memorial Auditorium. Rookie Alan Haworth scores his first NHL goal for the Sabres, who extend their home unbeaten streak to 10 consecutive games.

<u>November 30, 2022:</u> **Dylan Cozens** records two goals and **Jack Quinn** scores the game-deciding goal in the shootout as the Sabres defeat the Red Wings by a score of 5-4.



SINGING THE BLUES

Jeff Skinner and **Alex Tuch** have each recorded multiple points in back-to-back games against the Blues.

Tuch has recorded at least one point in four consecutive games against the Blues and he has posted six points (2+4) in that span.

Owen Power has notched a point in all three games he has played against the Blues in his career and a point in tonight's game would make him the first Sabres defenseman to record a point

in four consecutive games against St. Louis since Alexei Zhitnik did so from Jan. 3, 1997 to Jan. 13, 1999 (four games, 2+2).



HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabres		St. Louis Blues
10-10-2	Record	11-9-1
5-5-0	Home Record	6-3-0
5-5-2	Road Record	5-6-1
4-4-2	Last 10 Games	6-4-0
2.91 (T-20th)	Goals For Per Game	2.86 (25th)
3.23 (18th)	Goals Against Per Game	3.05 (T-14th)
15.9% (25th)	Power Play	9.2% (T-30th)
84.2% (10th)	Penalty Kill	79.3% (18th)
44.3% (31st)	Team F0%	51.3% (11th)
48.6% (20th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	44.7% (31st)



