

**FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP****December 28, 2024 – CALGARY FLAMES [3] vs. SAN JOSE SHARKS [1]**[Game Summary](#) | [Event Summary](#)

The Calgary Flames began a back-to-back set last night at the SAP Center against the San Jose Sharks. The Flames would outshoot the Sharks 17-7 in the opening frame, culminating in Jonathan Huberdeau giving the road side a 1-0 edge through 20. In the second, both teams traded blows with Macklin Celebrini drawing the Sharks level, before captain Mikael Backlund restored the Flames lead, as Calgary held a 2-1 advantage through 40. In the third, Dustin Wolf shut the Sharks down, turning aside all eight shots he faced while Huberdeau added an empty netter for his second of the night to give Calgary a 3-1 win.

CGY GOAL SCORERS: Huberdeau (14, 15), Backlund (7)**GOALIE:** Wolf 21/22 .955 Sv%**PP:** 1/3 (33%)**PK:** 1/2 (50%)**FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 3-0-2**

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
December 28, 2024	CGY [3] at SJS [1] W	Backlund	Wolf	Askarov
December 21, 2024	CHI [4] vs. CGY [6] W	Coleman	Wolf	Mrazek
December 19, 2024	OTT [3] vs. CGY [2] OTL	Tkachuk	Vladar	Ullmark
December 17, 2024	BOS [4] vs. CGY [3] OTL	Pastrnak	Wolf	Swayman
December 14, 2024	FLA [0] vs. CGY [3] W	Kadri	Wolf	Knight

*shootout winning goal

FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE
December 29, 2024	6:00pm	at Vegas Golden Knights	T-Mobile Arena
December 31, 2024	7:00pm	vs. Vancouver Canucks	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 2, 2025	7:00pm	vs. Utah Hockey Club	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 4, 2025	8:00pm	vs. Nashville Predators	Scotiabank Saddledome
January 7, 2024	7:00pm	at Anaheim Ducks	Honda Center

TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS

This is the second of four meetings this season between the Flames and Golden Knights. Calgary fell 5-0 in their first meeting with Vegas on October 28th.

This is a Pacific Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 4-3-1 against Pacific Division teams and a record of 9-6-2 against Western Conference opponents.

HUNGRY LIKE THE WOLF:

Dustin Wolf turned aside 21 of the 22 shots he faced last night in San Jose to earn his 19th career win which ties him with Collin Delia for the second most by a California-born goaltender in NHL history. Wolf earned his 11th victory of the season to extend his League lead for most among rookie goaltenders.

HUBY DOO:

With two goals in last night's win in San Jose, Jonathan Huberdeau scored his 41st and 42nd goal for the Flames since being acquired prior to the start of the 2022-23 campaign, passing Mikael Backlund (41) for the third-most on the team in that span. Only Nazem Kadri (66) and Blake Coleman (56) have more. Huberdeau has also notched the game-opening goal in back-to-back outings, and is tied with a league-leading four game-opening goals through the month of December (Dec. 8 at DAL, Dec. 12 vs. TBL, Dec. 21 vs. CHI, Dec. 28 at SJS)

LOOK BACKS AT IT:

With his goal last night in San Jose, Mikael Backlund scored his 207th marker in Flames colours to surpass Eric Vail (206) for the 10th-most in Flames franchise history. Backlund now joins Kent Nilsson as the second Swedish-born skater in the top 10 in Flames scoring. Backlund also scored the 103rd road goal of his career, and in doing so, he passed Lanny McDonald for the fifth-most road goals in Flames franchise history. The only skaters to have more are: Jarome Iginla (257), Theoren Fleury (159), Joe Nieuwendyk (133), and Gary Roberts (109).

BACK-TO-BACKS:

The Flames are set to finish-off their fourth back-to-back set tonight in Vegas following last night's 3-1 win in San Jose. Calgary has a record of 3-1-0 in game one of back-to-back scenarios, and a record of 1-2-0 in game two of back-to-back scenarios. The Flames next back-to-back set will come in the New Year when they face Anaheim at the Honda Center on January 7th, before heading to Crypto.com Arena to meet the Kings on January 8th.

CALGARY VEGAS TIES:

On March 6th, 2024 the Calgary Flames acquired a first-round pick in the 2026 NHL Draft, a conditional third-round pick in the 2024 NHL Draft (Kirill Zarubin) and defenseman Daniil Miromanov from Vegas in exchange for Noah Hanifin in a three-way deal involving Philadelphia. Hanifin spent six years with Calgary, skating in 420 games with 42 goals and 149 assists for 191 points. Miromanov has skated in 48 games so far through his Calgary Flames tenure, scoring four goals and nine assists for 13 points.

Flames defenceman Brayden Pachal was claimed off waivers by Calgary from Vegas on February 4th, 2024 and has skated in all 35 games for the Flames so far this season. Golden Knights centre Cole Schwindt was claimed off waivers by Vegas from Calgary earlier this year. Schwindt skated in four games with the Flames during the 2023-24 season. Fellow Golden Knights forward Brett Howden was born in Calgary and has skated in 13 prior games against his hometown team.

INTERIM COACH:

Due to family reasons, on December 8th, Brad Larsen was granted an indefinite leave of absence from his duties as assistant coach with the Flames. Wranglers Head Coach Trent Cull will join the Flames as an assistant coach for the unforeseeable future. Cull is in his second season as bench boss with the Wranglers. Having coached in the AHL for 15 years, Cull was also an assistant coach with the Vancouver Canucks during the 2022-23 campaign.



WORLD JUNIOR WATCH:

Flames prospect Axel Hurtig was selected to represent Sweden at the 2025 World Junior Championships. Hurtig has registered one assist in two games so far, helping his nation go 2-0 so far through the tournament. Entering the World Juniors, Hurtig posted two goals and seven assists for nine points along with a team-best +22 rating in his first WHL season with the Calgary Hitmen.

HEY DID YOU KNOW?

Nazem Kadri's 10 career goals against Vegas are tied for the sixth-most by a single skater against the Golden Knights. Only Anze Kopitar (15), Ryan O'Reilly (12), Leon Draisaitl (12), Tyler Toffoli (12), and Kyle Connor (11) have more.

CALGARY FLAMES vs. VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS

CGY vs. VGK	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
 	9-12-2	7-4-0	2-8-2	5-3-2	L1

GAME INFO:

Calgary Flames at Vegas Golden Knights

5:00pm PT

T-Mobile Arena

TV: Sportsnet West

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

2024-25 Season Series: 0-1-0 (Home: 0-0-0, Road 0-1-0)

Oct. 28, 2024 – CGY [0] at VGK [5]

Dec. 29, 2024 – CGY at VGK

Apr. 5, 2025 – VGK vs. CGY

Apr. 15, 2024 – VGK vs. CGY

2023-24 Season Record vs. VGK: 3-0-1

Last Home Win vs. VGK: March 14, 2024 – Vegas [1] vs. Calgary [4]

Last Road Win @ VGK: January 13, 2024 – Calgary [3] at Vegas [1]

Last Home Loss vs. VGK: March 23, 2023 – Vegas [3] vs. Calgary [2]

Last Road Loss @ VGK: October 28, 2024 – Calgary [0] at Vegas [5]

2024-25 CALGARY FLAMES

FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:

Nov. 11 – recalled Adam Klapka (F) from Calgary (AHL)

Nov. 16 – reassigned Adam Klapka (F) to Calgary (AHL)

Nov. 19 – recalled Adam Klapka (F) from Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 12 – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL); reassigned Adam Klapka (F) to Calgary (AHL), placed Justin Kirkland (F) on IR

Dec. 11 – assigned Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) to Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 12 – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 13 – recalled Devin Cooley (G) on an emergency basis from Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 14 – assigned Jakob Pelletier (F), Walker Duehr (F), and Devin Cooley to Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 16 – recalled Jakob Pelletier (F) and Walker Duehr (F) from Calgary (AHL)

FLAMES RECENT INJURIES (Total man games lost – 55)

Yegor Sharangovich – lower-body injury (7 games: 10/9/24 – 10/24/24)

Kevin Rooney – upper-body injury (5 games: 10/12/24 – 10/22/24)

Sam Honzek – upper-body injury (5 games: 10/19/24 – 10/28/24)

Anthony Mantha – lower body injury (22 games: 11/7/24 – pres.)

Justin Kirkland – lower-body injury (11 games: 11/30/24 – pres.)

Dan Vladar – lower-body injury (1 game: 12/14/24)

Andrie Kuzmenko – lower-body injury (4 games: 12/14/24 – 12/21/24)

FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:

Tyson Barrie – 397 assists (3 away from 400 assists)

Martin Pospisil – 98 games played (2 away from 100 games played)

Connor Zary – 98 games played (2 away from 100 games played)

Brayden Pachal – 97 games played (3 away from 100 games played)

Dan Vladar – 92 games played (8 away from 100 games played)

Yegor Sharangovich – 90 goals (10 away from 100 goals)

HOW THE FLAMES WERE BUILT: (* = injured)

Draft (6)	Free Agent (9)	Trade (7)	Waivers (2)
Andersson (53 rd overall, 2015)	Barrie (October 2024)	Bahl (From NJD – 2024)	Hanley (From DAL – 2024)
Backlund (24 th overall, 2007)	Bean (July 2024)	Huberdeau (From FLA – 2022)	Pachal (From VGK – 2024)
Coronato (13 th overall, 2021)	Coleman (July 2021)	Kuzmenko (From VAN – 2024)	
Pelletier (26 th overall, 2019)	Duehr (April, 2021)	Miromanov (From VGK – 2024)	
Pospisil (105 th overall, 2018)	Kadri (August 2022)	Sharangovich (From NJD – 2023)	
Zary (24 th overall, 2020)	Lomberg (July 2024)	Vladar (From BOS – 2021)	
	Mantha* (July 2024)	Weegar (From FLA – 2022)	
	Rooney (July 2022)		
	Kirkland* (July 2024)		

RECORD BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
HOME	3-2-0	6-1-0	3-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
AWAY	2-2-1	1-4-3	2-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTAL	5-4-1	7-5-3	4-2-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

POINTS LEADER BY MONTH

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April
Player	Andersson	Kadri	Huberdeau				
Points	4-6 – 10	4-5 – 9	7-6 – 13				

RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-2-0	1-2-0	6-1-2	1-1-1	1-2-2	2-1-0	5-2-2

RECORD BY DAYS BETWEEN GAMES/ON...

0 Days: 1-2-0

1 Day: 9-8-6

2 Days: 4-1-0

3 Days: 1-0-1

4+ Days: 2-0-0

First of B2B: 3-1-0

Second of B2B: 1-2-0

RECORD WHEN...

	0G	1G	2G	3G	4G	5G	6G	7G	8G
Scoring	0-1-0	0-2-2	2-5-2	7-3-2	4-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allowing	4-0-0	5-0-0	1-0-2	4-1-2	1-3-2	1-4-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	0-1-0

PLAYER HIGHS

*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Huberdeau)	12/28/24 at SJS
Assists, Game:	3 (Weegar)	11/21/24 vs. NYR
Points, Game:	4 (Huberdeau)	10/12/24 vs. PHI
Shots, Game:	7 (Kadri)	12/28/24 at SJS
TOI, Game:	28:05 (Andersson)	11/25/24 at OTT
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Andersson)	10/13/24 at EDM
Saves, Game:	39 (Vladar)	10/24/24 vs. CAR
Goal Streak	5 Games (Kadri)	12/10/24 – 12/18/24
Assists Streak	3 Games (Huberdeau)	11/30/24 – 12/5/24
Point Streak	6 Games (Huberdeau 4-5 – 9)	11/30/24 – 12/12/24

	LAST TIME (2024-25)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	12/21/24 vs. CHI	12/14/24 vs. FLA
Regulation win, away	12/28/24 at SJS	12/10/24 at NSH
Regulation loss, home	12/12/24 vs. TBL	11/3/24 vs. EDM
Regulation loss, away	12/8/24 at DAL	11/30/24 at PIT
OT win, home		
OT win, away	11/5/24 at MTL	10/9/24 at VAN
OT loss, home	12/19/24 vs. OTT	12/17/24 vs. BOS
OT loss, away	11/27/24 at DET	11/7/24 at BOS
Shootout win, home	11/21/24 vs. MIN	11/19/24 vs. NYI
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home		
Shootout loss, away	11/9/24 at BUF	
Shutout, home	12/3/24 vs. CBJ	11/15/24 vs. NSH
Shutout, away		

CALGARY FLAMES ALL-TIME LEADERS (*Bolded* = Active Players)
CAREER GAMES PLAYED:



1) Jarome Iginla
 1996-96-2012-13
 1,219



2) **Mikael Backlund**
2008-09 - Present
1,025



3) Mark Giordano
 2005-06 – 2020-21
 949






4) Robyn Regehr
 1999-00 – 2010-11
 826



5) Al MacInnis
 1981-82 – 1993-94
 803

CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:

JERSEY	GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home 	14	9	2	3	12/21/24: 6-4 W vs. CHI
Away 	16	5	7	4	12/28/24: 3-1 W at SJS
Alternate 	6	4	2	0	11/23/24: 4-3 W vs. MIN