

# PITTSBURGH PENGUINS VS. RIFFAIN SARRES

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | PPG Paints Arena | Broadcast: TNT



# **BUFFALO SABRES**

1-3-0 2 PTS

8th place in the Atlantic Division **Last Game:** 5-2 W vs. FLA

#### **Top Scorers**

**Alex Tuch:** 4 GP, 2 G, 2 A, 4 PTS **Tage Thompson:** 4 GP, 2 G, 0 A, 2 PTS **Jordan Greenway:** 4 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS

### Season Series:

Oct. 16 at PIT | 7:00 P.M. Jan. 17 at BUF | 7:00 P.M. March 27 at BUF | 7:00 P.M.

## PITTSBURGH PENGUINS

2-2-0 | 4 PTS 3rd place in the Metropolitan Division

Last Game: 6-3 W at MTL

#### Top Scorers

**Evgeni Malkin:** 4 GP, 1 G, 6 A, 7 PTS **Kris Letang:** 4 GP, 2 G, 1 A, 3 PTS **Erik Karlsson:** 4 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS



#### THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Buffalo has earned at least one point in seven of its last nine games against Pittsburgh (5-2-2).

The Sabres have earned a win in their last two contests with the Penguins and a win in tonight's game would give them a winning streak of three or more games against Pittsburgh for the first time since the team won five consecutive games against the Penguins from Oct. 10, 2005 to Nov. 17, 2006.



**Alex Tuch** is riding a three-game point streak (2+2) and a point in tonight's game would give him his first point streak of four or more games since he registered a point in five straight games from April 2 to 11, 2024 (3+5).

A point in tonight's game would mark the third time in his career that **Tuch** has begun a season with at least five points through his team's first five games (2022-23, 6+1; 2018-19, 3+2).

**Tuch** has recorded one goal in each of his last two games and a goal in tonight's game would

give him a three-game goal streak for the first time since he scored in three consecutive games from Nov. 4 to 17, 2023 (4+0).



#### **CLUB PENGUIN**

**Alex Tuch** has recorded three points (1+2) in his last two games against Pittsburgh, including at least one point in each game in that span.

**Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** has earned a win in each of his last two games against the Penguins and he made 71 saves on 74 shots in those two games combined.

**Luukkonen** has made 30 or more saves in three consecutive games against Pittsburgh and 30 or more saves in tonight's game would make him the first Sabres goaltender all-time to record 30 or more saves in four consecutive games against the Penguins.

In his last six games against Pittsburgh, **Tage Thompson** has notched six points (3+3).

**Beck Malenstyn** has registered three points (1+2) in two road games against the Penguins in his career.

**Jason Zucker** has recorded three points (1+2) in his last three games against Pittsburgh.



#### **BUFFALO INJURY REPORT**

Nicolas Aube-Kubel (lower body, IR); JJ Peterka (concussion)



### **ON THIS DATE**

The Sabres are 8-11-3 all-time on October 16.

October 16, 1982: Phil Housley records his first NHL goal in a 9-2 win at Washington.

 $\frac{October\ 16,\ 2009:}{Source} Tyler\ Myers\ scores\ his\ first\ NHL\ goal\ and\ Jason\ Pominville\ scores\ his\ 100th\ NHL\ goal\ in\ a\ 6-3\ win\ at\ home\ against\ the\ New\ York\ Islanders.$ 



#### THE GREEN MACHINE

The line of **Jordan Greenway**, **Ryan McLeod** and **Jason Zucker** has recorded a corsi for percentage of 58.49 at 5-on-5 through Buffalo's first four games.

At 5-on-5, their line has produced nine highdanger chances and they have only allowed five to their opponents.

According to Natural Stat Trick, **Greenway** has recorded 65:54 of total time on ice through four games, the most he has recorded through his team's first four games in his career.

He ranks first among all Sabres forwards in shorthanded time on ice (10:49) and fourth in even-strength time on ice (54:10).



### HEAD-TO-HEAD

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1-3-0	Record	2-2-0
1-2-0	Home Record	0-1-0
0-1-0	Road Record	2-1-0
1-3-0	Last 10 Games	2-2-0
2.00 (T-28th)	Goals For Per Game.	3.50 (T-10th)
3.00 (T-10th)	Goals Against Per Ga	<b>M2</b> 4.00 (T-26th)
0.0% (T-29th)	Power Play	20.0% (T-16th)
76.9% (21st)	Penalty Kill	83.3% (T-14th)
51.3% (12th)	Team F0%	52.9% (9th)
56.9% (3rd)	Team SAT% (5-on-5).	55.9% (5th)