



CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS AT BUFFALO SABRES

Thursday, January 18, 2024 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center



BUFFALO SABRES

20-21-4 | 44 PTS

Season Series

2023-24 | 2-0-0

2023-24

Home | 11-11-1

Last 10 Games | 6-4-0

	1st	2nd	3rd	OT	SO	Final
BLACKHAWKS	0	0	0	--	--	0
SABRES	0	1	2	--	--	3

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS

13-30-2 | 28 PTS

Season Series

2023-24 | 0-2-0

2023-24

Road | 4-19-1

Last 10 Games | 2-8-0

GOALTENDING MATCHUP

Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen



Updated Season Stats		
11-9-2	RECORD	2-14-1
.909	SV%	.877
2.64	GAA	3.95

Today's Stats		
W	DECISION	L
19	SA	31
0	GA	3

Arvid Soderblom



TOP NOTES

With his shutout in tonight's game, **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** became the ninth Sabres goaltender, and the first since Carter Hutton from Oct. 14 to 17, 2019, to record a shutout in two or more consecutive starts. His current shutout sequence of 157:55 is the second-longest in the NHL this season and the ninth-longest in Sabres history.

In his last six games, **Luukkonen** is 5-1-0 with a 1.17 goals-against average and a .956 save percentage.

The Sabres have now earned at least one point in seven straight games against Chicago, which marks the team's longest point streak against the Blackhawks since they earned at least one point in six consecutive games from Oct. 19, 1977 to Jan. 4, 1979 (4-0-2).

Zemgus Girgensons' goal was his fourth of the season and his second in his last six games. He also recorded a goal on Jan. 6 at Pittsburgh. It marked the second time he has scored against the Blackhawks in his career (Oct. 11, 2014 on Corey Crawford).

Ryan Johnson recorded the primary assist on Girgensons' goal, which marked the first time he has recorded an assist in consecutive games in his career. **Johnson** recorded his second assist of tonight's game on **JJ Peterka's** goal, which gave him the first multi-point game of his NHL career.

Jack Quinn's assist on **Peterka's** goal gave him an assist in consecutive games. It marked the seventh time in his career, and the first time this season, that he has registered at least one assist in two or more consecutive games.

With his goal, **Rasmus Dahlin** has now recorded seven points (3+4) in his last seven games. **Dahlin** has tallied seven points (2+5) in his last six games against Chicago.

With his assist on **Dahlin's** goal, **Casey Mittelstadt** is now riding a six-game point streak (1+5) against the Blackhawks. His assist makes him the first Sabres skater since Dave Andreychuk (seven games; 2+8) from Nov. 1, 1987 to Jan. 26, 1990 to record a point streak of six or more games against Chicago.

Alex Tuch also notched an assist on **Dahlin's** goal and has now recorded seven points (3+4) in his last seven games. In his last 11 games against Chicago, **Tuch** has recorded 11 points (4+7).

STAT CORNER

Buffalo Sabres

1-for-6 (16.7%).....	Power Play	0-for-4 (0.0%)
4-for-4 (100.0%).....	Penalty Kill	5-for-6 (83.3%)
17-for-39 (43.6%).....	Faceoffs	22-for-39 (56.4%)
31.....	Shots on Goal	19
64.....	Shot Attempts.....	40
43.....	Shot Attempts (5-on-5)	23
Dahlin (24:15).....	TOI Leader	Jones (24:04)

Chicago Blackhawks

THREE STARS

1st **Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen** - Buffalo Sabres

19 SV, SO, W

2nd **Ryan Johnson** - Buffalo Sabres

2 A, +2, 16:04 TOI

3rd **Rasmus Dahlin** - Buffalo Sabres

1 G, +1, 6 SOG, 24:15 TOI



UP NEXT

Friday, Jan. 19

Practice with media availability to follow, 11:30 a.m., LECOM Harborcenter

Saturday, Jan. 20

Don Granato media availability, 11 a.m., KeyBank Center
Buffalo Sabres vs. Tampa Bay Lightning, 12:30 p.m., KeyBank Center

Sunday, Jan. 21

No practice scheduled

**All practice and morning skate times are subject to change.
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