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FLAMES LAST GAME RECAP January 4, 2024 – CALGARY FLAMES [6] at Nashville Predators [3]

Game Summary I Event Summary

The Calgary Flames continued a four-game road trip on Thursday night at Bridgestone Arena against the Nashville Predators. The Flames would open the scoring with rookie Connor Zary netting his eighth of the season, followed shortly by Blake Coleman burying his 15th and just like that the Flames led 2-0. Nashville would get on the board a minute later, but Nazem Kadri restored the Flames two goal lead later in the frame. Nashville would again respond, but once again Calgary scored, this time it was Rasmus Andersson, and a busy opening-20 came to an end with Calgary up 4-2. Noah Hanifin would score the only goal of the middle frame and in the third the teams would trade goals as the Flames left Nashville with a 6-3 win.

CGY GOAL SCORERS: Zary (8), Coleman (15), Kadri (11), Andersson (6), Hanifin (6), Sharangovich (12)

GOALIE: Vladar 28/31, .906 Sv%

PP: 1/4 (25%) **PK:** 1/1 (100%)

FLAMES LAST FIVE RESULTS, RECORD: 3-2-0

DATE	RESULT	GWG	CGY GOALIE	OPP. GOALIE
January 4, 2024	CGY [6] at NSH [3]	Andersson	Vladar	Saros
January 2, 2024	CGY [3] at MIN [1] W	Huberdeau	Markstrom	Fleury
December 31, 2023	PHI [3] vs. CGY [4] W	Coleman	Markstrom	Ersson
December 27, 2023	SEA [2] vs. CGY [1] L	Wennberg	Markstrom	Driedger
December 23, 2023	CGY [3] at LAK [5] L	Moore	Markstrom	Talbot

^{*}shootout winning goal

FLAMES UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME (MST)	OPPONENT	VENUE	
January 6, 2024	11:00am	at Philadelphia Flyers	Wells Fargo Center	
January 7, 2024	1:00pm	at Chicago Blackhawks	United Center	
January 9, 2024	7:00pm	vs. Ottawa Senators	Scotiabank Saddledome	
January 11, 2024	7:00pm	at Arizona Coyotes	Mullett Arena	
January 13, 2024	7:00pm	at Vegas Golden Knights	T-Mobile Arena	

TONIGHTS STORYLINES & STATS

This is the second and final meeting this season between the Flames and Flyers. The Flames won the first meeting of the season on New Years Eve 4-3.

This is a Pacific Division versus Metropolitan Division matchup; the Flames have a record of 2-4-2 against Metropolitan Division teams and a record of 6-6-3 against Eastern Conference opponents.

SIX DAYS AGO:

The Calgary Flames welcomed the Philadelphia Flyers to the Scotiabank Saddledome for a New Years Eve contest six days ago. The visitors would open the scoring midway through the frame off the stick of Rasmus Ristolainen to give the Flyers a 1-0 lead through 20. In the second, Flames captain Mikael Backlund would fire home a one-timer to tie the game at one a piece through 40. In the third, Dennis Gilbert fired home his first of the season to give the Flames their first lead of the night. Shortly after, Nazem Kadri made it goals in back-to-back games to put Calgary up 3-1. The Flyers would draw within one, but an empty netter from Blake Coleman would make it 4-2. Philly would again draw within one, but the Flames held on for a 4-3 win.

LOOK BACKS AT IT:

With his goal in these clubs last meeting on New Years Eve, Mikael Backlund surpassed Mark Giordano (509) for sole possession of ninth place on the Flames' all-time scoring list. The Flames captain recorded his 500th NHL point earlier this season in Seattle to become the 11th player in Flames franchise history to achieve the milestone. Backlund is now 18 points away from tying Guy Chouinard for eighth on the Flames all-time scoring list.

CLOSING IN ON HISTORY:

Mikael Backlund skated in his 946th NHL game on Thursday night in Nashville and is now just three games away from tying Mark Giordano for the second-most in Flames franchise history. Backlund's 946 games lead all Swedish-born skaters in Flames history and are the ninth-most among skaters from the 2007 NHL draft.

A ROSE FOR YOU:

Adam Ruzicka skated in his 107th NHL game on Thursday to tie Ronald Petrovicky (107GP) for the most games played by a Slovakian-born skater in Flames franchise history. Ruzicka is the Flames highest all-time scoring Slovakian skater with 14 goals and 26 assists for 40 points in his 107 contests with Calgary. Ruzicka was the 47th Slovakian-born skater to reach 100 games in NHL history when he achieved the milestone back on December 14th and is one of four active Slovaks with 100-plus NHL games under their belt, along with Tomas Tatar (818 GP), Erik Cernak (333 GP) and Martin Fehervary (182 GP).

HEY NOW, YOU'RE AN ALL-STAR:

Elias Lindholm has been selected to represent the Calgary Flames at the 2024 NHL All-Star Game. Lindholm has registered eight goals and 17 assists for 25 points through 38 games so far this season and has two power play goals along with a shorthanded marker. This will be Elias Lindholm's first NHL All-Star Game appearance and is set to become the second Swedish player to represent the Flames in the NHL All-Star Game, following Kent Nilsson in 1980 (while the franchise was based in Atlanta) and 1981. Lindholm currently leads all Flames forwards in time on ice per game at 21:00, and currently records the seventh-most time on ice per game among centres in the NHL, with the fifth-most ice-time total among centres this season at 797:43.

LIL KUZY VERT:

Defenceman Yan Kuznetsov received his first NHL call up on Friday morning. The Murmansk, RUS, native recently skated in his 100th career AHL game on Dec. 1st against the Henderson Silver Knights, and has registered two goals and five assists for seven points in 31 games with the American Hockey League's Calgary Wranglers. The 21-year-old is coming off his rookie pro season in 2022-23, where he posted five goals and 14 assists for 19 points in 63 games. Kuznetsov was a member of the 2022 Memorial Cup Champion Saint John Seadogs of the QMJHL. He was the Flames second-round pick (50th overall) in the 2020 NHL Draft.

HEY DID YOU KNOW?

Blake Coleman skated in his 500th NHL game against the Flyers in their last meeting, scoring a goal to mark the occasion.

Rasmus Andersson scored his first NHL goal against the Philadelphia Flyers in a 6-5 overtime win back in December of 2018.

Dating back to the 2014-15 season, the Flames are 12-4-1 against the Flyers.

CALGARY FLAMES vs. PHILADELPHIA FLYERS

CGY vs. PHI	ALL-TIME	HOME	AWAY	L10	STRK
E	54-59-12-3	32-23-9-1	22-36-3-2	7-2-1	W1

GAME INFO:

Calgary Flames at Philadelphia Flyers 1:00pm ET Wells Fargo Center

TV: Sportsnet

Radio: Sportsnet Fan 960

2023-24 Season Series: 1-0-0 (Home: 1-0-0, Road 0-0-0)

Dec. 31, 2023 - PHI [3] vs. CGY [4]

Jan. 6, 2024 - CGY at PHI

2022-23 Season Record vs. PHI: 1-1-0 (Home: 0-0-0, Road: 1-0-0)

Last Home Win vs. PHI: December 31, 2023 – Philadelphia [3] vs. Calgary [4] Last Road Win @ PHI: November 21, 2022 – Calgary [5] at Philadelphia [2] Last Home Loss vs. PHI: February 20, 2023 – Philadelphia [4] vs. Calgary [3] Last Road Loss @ PHI: November 16, 2021 – Calgary [1] at Philadelphia [2] (OT)

2023-24 CALGARY FLAMES

FLAMES RECENT TRANSACTIONS:

Nov. 30 – acquired a 2024 fifth-round draft pick and a 2026 third-round draft pick from the Vancouver Canucks in exchange for Nikita Zadorov (D)

Dec. 1 - recalled Ilya Solovyov (D) from Calgary AHL

Dec. 2 - signed Mark Pysyk (D) to a one-year two-way contract

Dec. 3 – assigned Mark Pysyk (D) the Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 5 – recalled Dustin Wolf (G) from Calgary (AHL)

Dec. 9 - recalled Matt Coronato (F) from Calgary (AHL), placed Jacob Markstrom (G) on IR

Dec. 12 - recalled Nick DeSimone (D) from Calgary (AHL); assigned Matt Coronato (F) to Calgary AHL

Dec. 17 - activated Jacob Markstrom (G) off IR; reassigned Dustin Wolf (G) and Ilya Solovyov (D) to Calgary (AHL)

Jan. 4 – assigned Oliver Kylington (D) to Calgary (AHL) on a conditioning assignment

Jan. 5 – recalled Yan Kuznetsov (D) from Calgary (AHL)

FLAMES RECENT INJURIES (Total man games lost – 131)

Jakob Pelletier – upper body injury (38 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)

Kevin Rooney – upper body injury (38 games, 10/11/23 – pres.)

Oliver Kylington - (37 games, 10/11/23 - 1/4/24)

Adam Ruzicka – upper body injury (4 games, 10/26/23 – 11/7/23)

Jacob Markstrom - upper-body injury (2 games, 11/10/23 - 11/14/23)

Connor Zary – lower body injury (1 game, 11/22/23)

Jacob Markstrom - Illness (1 game, 11/27/23)

Jacob Markstrom – fractured finger (7 games, 12/5/23 – 12/16/23)

Chris Tanev – upper-body injury (3 games: 12/12/23 – 12/16/23)

FLAMES CAREER MILESTONES WITHIN REACH:

Andrew Mangiapane – 197 points (3 away from 200 points)

Andrew Mangiapane – 95 assists (5 away from 100 assists)

Nazem Kadri – 595 points (5 away from 600 points)

Mikael Backlund – 193 goals (7 away from 200 goals)

Jonathan Huberdeau – 788 games played (12 away from 800 games played)

HOW THE FLAMES WERE BUILT: (* = injured)

Draft (9)	Free Agent (9)	Trade (6)	Waivers (1)
Andersson (53 rd overall, 2015)	Coleman (July 2021)	Hanifin (From CAR – 2018)	Greer (From BOS – 2023)
Backlund (24th overall, 2007)	Duehr (April 2021)	Huberdeau (From FLA – 2022)	
Dube (56 th overall, 2016)	DeSimone (2022)	Lindholm (From CAR – 2018)	
Kuznetsov (50 th overall, 2020)	Gilbert (July 2022)	Sharangovich (From NJD – 2023)	
Mangiapane (166 th overall, 2015)	Kadri (August 2022)	Vladar (From BOS – 2021)	
Pelletier* (26th overall, 2019)	Markstrom (October 2020)	Weegar (From FLA – 2022)	
Pospisil (105 th overall, 2018)	Oesterle (July 2023)		
Ruzicka (109 th overall, 2017)	Tanev (October 2020)		
Zary (24 th overall, 2020)	Rooney* (July 2022)		

RECORD BY MONTH

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

POINTS LEADER BY MONTH

	October	November	December	December January F		March	April
Player	Lindholm/	Kadri	Coleman	Coleman/Andersson/			
	Mangiapane			Sharangovich			
Points	6pts	4-9 – 13	7-6 – 13	3 pts.			

RECORD BY DAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-2-0	3-1-1	2-2-1	1-3-0	6-1-1	1-1-1	2-6-1

RECORD BY DAYS BETWEEN GAMES/ON...

0 Days: 0-3-1 1 Day: 10-8-3 2 Days: 5-4-1 3 Days: 1-1-0 4+ Days: 2-0-0 First of B2B: 2-1-1 Second of B2B: 0-3-1

RECORD WHEN...

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

PLAYER HIGHS

*active

	High (Most Recent Occurrence)	Date: Game
Goals, Game:	2 (Coleman)	12/23/23 at LAK
Assists, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Points, Game:	3 (Sharangovich, Mangiapane)	11/24/23 at DAL
Shots, Game:	7 (Backlund)	1/4/24 at NSH
TOI, Game:	29:37 (Andersson)	12/11/23 at COL
Best +/-, Game:	+4 (Tanev)	11/24/23 vs. DAL
Saves, Game:	41 (Markstrom)	11/22/23 at NSH
Goal Streak	5 GP (Sharangovich: 6G)	12/9/23 – 12/16/23
Assists Streak	4 GP (Coleman: 4A)	12/7/23 – 12/12/23
Point Streak	7 GP (Coleman: 3G, 5A)	12/7/23 – 12/21/23

	LAST TIME (2023-24)	PREVIOUS
Regulation win, home	12/31/23 vs. PHI	12/18/23 vs. FLA
Regulation win, away	1/4/24 at NSH	1/2/24 at MIN
Regulation loss, home	12/27/23 vs. SEA	12/9/23 vs. NJD
Regulation loss, away	12/23/23 at LAK	12/11/23 at COL
OT win, home	11/30/23 vs. DAL	11/27/23 vs. VGK
OT win, away	11/20/23 at SEA	
OT loss, home		
OT loss, away	12/12/23 at VGK	
Shootout win, home		
Shootout win, away		
Shootout loss, home	11/18/23 vs. NYI	
Shootout loss, away	12/14/23 at MIN	11/10/23 at TOR
Shutout, home		
Shutout, away	12/21/23 at ANA	

CALGARY FLAMES ALL-TIME LEADERS (*Bolded* = Active Players)

CAREER GAMES PLAYED:

Rank	Player	Years With Flames	Games
1 st	Jarome Iginla	1996-97 – 2012-13	1,219
2 nd	Mark Giordano	2005-06 – 2020-21	949
3 rd	Mikael Backlund	2008-09 - Present	946
4 th	Robyn Regehr	1999-00 – 2010-11	826
5 th	Al MacInnis	1981-82 – 1993-94	803

CALGARY FLAMES JERSEY RECORD:

JERSEY	GP	W	L	OTL/SOL	Last Result
Home	11	7	4	0	4-3 W vs. PHI (12/31/23)
Away	20	8	8	4	6-3 W at NSH (1/4/24)
Alternate	6	2	3	1	2-4 L vs. NJD (12/9/23)
Heritage	1	0	1	0	2-5 L at EDM

CALGARY FLAMES ALTERNATE JERSEY SCHEDULE:

 Nov. 16 vs. VAN (5-2 W)
 Nov. 18 vs. NYI (4-5 SOL)
 Dec. 2 vs. VAN (3-4 L)
 Dec. 5 vs. MIN (2-5 L)

 Dec. 7 vs. CAR (3-2 W)
 Dec. 9 vs. NJD (2-4 L)
 Jan. 23 vs. STL
 Jan. 25 vs. CBJ

 Jan. 27 vs. CHI
 Mar. 12 vs. COL
 Mar. 14 vs. VGK
 Apr. 2 vs. ANA

Apr. 6 vs. EDM

CALGARY FLAMES HERITAGE CLASSIC JERSEY SCHEDULE:

Oct. 29 at EDM (2-5 L) Jan. 20 vs. EDM Feb. 24 at EDM



ON THE FARM CALGARY WRANGLERS (AHL): 19-9-3

The Calgary Wranglers enter their second season in Calgary, AB after moving from Stockton, CA prior to the start of last season. The Wranglers began 2024 by welcoming Coachella Valley for a pair of games. Despite falling in both matchups, the Wranglers remain first in the Pacific Division standing with three games in hand over the Tucson Roadrunners.