

WASHINGTON CAPITALS AT

Monday, January 6, 2025 | 7:00 P.M. | KeyBank Center | Broadcast: MSG



BUFFALO SABRES

14-21-5 33 PTS

8th place in the Atlantic Division

Last Game: 3-1 L at VGK

Top Scorers

Tage Thompson: 35 GP, 18 G, 15 A, 33 PTS **Jason Zucker:** 40 GP, 15 G, 16 A, 31 PTS **Alex Tuch:** 40 GP, 12 G, 16 A, 28 PTS

Season Series:

Dec. 14 at WSH | 4-2 L Jan. 6 at BUF | 7:00 P.M. March 30 at WSH | 3:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS

26-10-3 | 55 PTS 1st place in the Metropolitan Division Last Game: 7-4 W vs. NYR

Top Scorers

Dylan Strome: 39 GP, 12 G, 32 A, 44 PTS **Aliaksei Protas:** 39 GP, 17 G, 16 A, 33 PTS **Connor McMichael:** 39 GP, 17 G, 14 A, 31 PTS

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Sabres have earned at least one point in eight of their last nine matchups with the Capitals (4-1-4).

In his last seven games, **Jason Zucker** has recorded 10 points (7+3), including at least one goal in four straight games.



Zucker would match the longest goal streak of his career (Nov. 8 to 16, 2017; eight goals) with a goal in tonight's game.

Zucker has registered four power-play goals in his last four games and a power-play goal in tonight's game would make him the first Sabres skater since **Tage Thompson** from Dec. 4 to 13, 2022 (five power-play goals) to record five power-play goals in any five-game span.

Tage Thompson has posted eight points (2+6) in his last six games.

Rasmus Dahlin has recorded nine assists in his last six games, including one assist in back-to-back games.

An assist in tonight's game would give **Dahlin** his second assist streak of three or more games this season (Dec. 23 to 29; seven assists).

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m JJ}$ Peterka has posted 10 points (2+8) in his last 10 games, including one assist in his last two games.

Peterka would earn his third assist streak of three games this season with an assist tonight.

Peterka is expected to play in the 200th game of his NHL career tonight.

Jack Quinn has recorded nine points (4+5) in his last nine games.

ON THIS DATE

The Sabres are 14-11-0 all-time on January 6.

<u>January 6, 1996</u>; Jason Dawe scores his first career hat trick as the Sabres top the Canadiens by a score of 7-6.

<u>January 6, 2001:</u> Martin Biron blanks the Predators in a 2-0 Sabres win, earning a shutout in his second consecutive start. Biron and Dominik Hasek would combine to tie a franchise record with 13 shutouts in the 2000-01 season.

<u>January 6. 2011</u>; Lindy Ruff records his 500th win as a head coach in a 3-0 victory over San Jose.

BUFFALO INJURY REPORT

Jordan Greenway (middle body, IR)

CAPITAL GAINS

Zach Benson has recorded four points (2+2) in four career games against the Capitals.

A point in tonight's game would make **Benson** (19 years, 239 days) the youngest NHL skater since Sidney Crosby from Nov. 22, 2005 to Dec. 11, 2006 (4+7; 19 years, 126 days) to register five or more points in their first five career games against Washington.



Jack Quinn is riding a four-game point streak against the Capitals (1+4).

JJ Peterka has notched five points (4+1) in his last five games against the Capitals.

In his last seven games against the Capitals, **Tage Thompson** has registered 11 points (5+6), including at least one point in three consecutive games against Washington (1+4).

In 10 career games against Washington, **Alex Tuch** has recorded 10 points (5+5).

Dylan Cozens has seven points (5+2) in his last seven games against the Capitals.

Rasmus Dahlin has tallied five points (1+4) in his last five games against Washington.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Buffalo Sabre	s Washi	ngton Capitals
14-21-5	Record	26-10-3
7-10-3	Home Record	13-4-3
7-11-2	Road Record	13-6-0
3-6-1	Last 10 Cames	5-4-1
3.03 (15th)	Coals For Per Game	3.72 (1st)
3.40 (27th)	Goals Against Per Game	2.64 (6th)
17.9% (23rd)	Power Play	23.5% (11th)
78.2% (20th)	Penalty Kill	84.2% (4th)
48.4% (26th)	Team F0%	50.3% (19th)
50.2% (13th)	Team SAT% (5-on-5)	50.2% (12th)

