



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS

WEEKLY REPORT

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DECEMBER 18, 2023-JANUARY 1, 2024

MONDAY / DECEMBER 18

12 pm ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

TUESDAY / DECEMBER 19 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

11:30 am ET - Skate/Workout/Media Availability, KeyBank Center

7 pm ET - at BUFFALO SABRES, KEYBANK CENTER

WEDNESDAY / DECEMBER 20

12 pm ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

THURSDAY / DECEMBER 21 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 105.7 FM]

10:30 am ET - Skate/Workout/Media Availability, Nationwide Arena

7 pm ET - vs. WASHINGTON CAPITALS, NATIONWIDE ARENA

FRIDAY / DECEMBER 22

12 pm ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

SATURDAY / DECEMBER 23 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

10:30 am ET - Skate/Workout/Media Availability, Nationwide Arena

7 pm ET - vs. TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS, NATIONWIDE ARENA

SUNDAY / DECEMBER 24

Happy Holidays - No Practice Scheduled

MONDAY / DECEMBER 25

Happy Holidays - No Practice Scheduled

TUESDAY / DECEMBER 26

Happy Holidays - No Practice Scheduled

WEDNESDAY / DECEMBER 27 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

9:30 am ET - Skate/Workout/Media Availability, Nationwide Arena

7 pm ET - at NEW JERSEY DEVILS, PRUDENTIAL CENTER

THURSDAY / DECEMBER 28

12 pm ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

FRIDAY / DECEMBER 29 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

10:30 am ET - Skate/Workout/Media Availability, Nationwide Arena

7 pm ET - vs. TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS, Nationwide Arena

SATURDAY / DECEMBER 30 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 105.7 FM]

TBD - Media Availability

5 pm ET - at BUFFALO SABRES, KEYBANK CENTER

SUNDAY / DECEMBER 31

No Practice Scheduled

MONDAY / JANUARY 1

11 am ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

CBJ NEWS & NOTES

TEAM NOTES: Columbus went 1-1-0 last week and are 6-6-1 in its past 13 contests dating back to Nov. 22...The Blue Jackets have converted 8-of-30 (26.7 pct.) on the power play in the 13 past games, ranking sixth in the NHL with the man-advantage since Nov. 22...The Blue Jackets rank seventh in the NHL on the penalty kill at 84.3 percent... Columbus wraps up 2023 playing six games (3 H/3 A) in two weeks before a January slate that begins with five-of-seven at home and ends with a five-game road trip to Edmonton (Jan. 23), Calgary (Jan. 25), Vancouver (Jan. 27), Seattle (Jan. 28) and St. Louis (Jan. 30).

CBJ AT A GLANCE



Columbus BLUE JACKETS

10-17-5, 25 pts. || Metropolitan, 8th

Leader, Points: Zach Werenski (21)

Leader, Goals: Boone Jenner (13)

Goalie: Elvis Merzlikins (7-8-4, 3.19, .909)

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENTS



Buffalo SABRES

13-16-3, 29 pts. || Atlantic, 7th

2023-24: First & second of three meetings

All-Time: CBJ are 24-14-3 (13-7-2, A)

Of Note: CBJ, 4-0-2 in past six at Buffalo

One to Watch: **Tage Thompson, C**



Washington CAPITALS

15-9-4, 34 pts. || Metropolitan, 5th

2023-24: Third of three meetings (0-2-0)

All-Time: CBJ are 19-25-9 (10-12-4, H)

Of Note: Past five games decided by 1 goal

One to Watch: **Alex Ovechkin, LW**



Toronto MAPLE LEAFS

16-6-6, 38 pts. || Atlantic, 2nd

2023-24: Second & third of three meetings

All-Time: CBJ are 18-18-1 (7-10-0, H)

Of Note: 7 of past 8 are one-goal games

One to Watch: **Auston Matthews, C**



New Jersey DEVILS

16-12-1, 33 pts. || Metropolitan, 6th

2023-24: Third of four meetings (1-1-0)

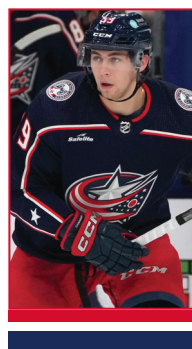
All-Time: CBJ are 28-18-3 (12-9-3, A)

Of Note: CBJ are 22-8-1 since Mar. 6, 2015

One to Watch: **Jack Hughes, C**

OHIOHEALTH INJURY REPORT

D Adam Boqvist (shoulder; Injured Reserve)... C Jack Roslovic (ankle; IR)... D Damon Severson (oblique; IR)... C Boone Jenner (jaw; IR)... F Patrik Laine (clavicle)... **MAN GAMES LOST: 103**



PLAYER NOTES: LW Yegor Chinakhov has 7-2-9 and two game-winning goals in his past 10 outings, including 5-2-7 during his current career-high four-game goal-scoring streak... LW Johnny Gaudreau collected his 700th career point (236-464-700, 714 GP) with an assist vs. New Jersey on Dec. 16... C Kent Johnson had a career-high 2-1-3, including OT game-winner, at Toronto on Dec. 14 and has tallied 2-4-6 in his past five games... C Adam Fantilli (8-9-17, 32 GP) and F Dmitri Voronkov (6-10-16, 26 GP) rank 2nd-T and 4th-T, respectively in NHL rookie scoring.