



COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS

WEEKLY REPORT

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APRIL 8-17, 2024

MONDAY / APRIL 8

No Practice Scheduled

TUESDAY / APRIL 9 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

11:30 am ET - Morning Skate & Media Availability

7 pm ET - at TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING, Amalie Arena

WEDNESDAY / APRIL 10

1:30 pm ET - Practice, FLA Live Arena (Sunrise)

THURSDAY / APRIL 11 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

TBD - Morning Skate & Media Availability

7 pm ET - at FLORIDA PANTHERS, FLA Live Arena

FRIDAY / APRIL 12

12 pm ET - Practice, FLA Live Arena (Sunrise)

SATURDAY / APRIL 13 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

TBD - Morning Skate & Media Availability

8 pm ET - at NASHVILLE PREDATORS, Bridgestone Arena

SUNDAY / APRIL 14

No Practice Scheduled

MONDAY / APRIL 15

11 am ET - Practice, Nationwide Arena

TUESDAY / APRIL 16 [Bally Sports, Bally Sports + / 97.1 The Fan]

10:30 am ET - Morning Skate & Media Availability

7 pm ET - vs. CAROLINA HURRICANES, Nationwide Arena

WEDNESDAY / APRIL 17

TBD - Year-End Media Availability

OHIOHEALTH INJURY REPORT

RW **Patrik Laine** (clavicle fracture; NHL Player Assistance Program-Jan. 28)... C **Adam Fantilli** (calf laceration)... F **Kent Johnson** (shoulder)... F **Yegor Chinakhov** (upper body)... D **Adam Boqvist** (upper body)... G **Elvis Merzlikins** (lower body)... D **Jake Bean** (broken hand)... G **Daniil Tarasov** (upper body)...

MAN GAMES LOST: 293

CBJ NEWS & NOTES

TEAM NOTES: The Blue Jackets went 2-2-0 last week, including wins over Colorado (4-1) on Apr. 1 and Philadelphia (6-2) on Apr. 6... CBJ have scored the first goal in 10 of the last 13 outings and have scored first 43 times this season (T-4th most in franchise history, 2000-01)... CBJ rookies have combined for 31-42-73 in 78 games this season, ranking second-T in the NHL in goals, fourth in points and fifth-T in points.

TYING AN NHL RECORD: Defensemen accounted for all six CBJ goals (6-2-8) in the win over the Flyers on Apr. 6, setting franchise marks for most goals (6) and different blueliners (4) to record a goal in a single game... It also tied the Washington Capitals (Dec. 4, 1992 vs. NYR) for the most combined goals by defensemen in a game in NHL history... Columbus blueliners rank eighth in the league in points this season with 37-139-176 in 78 contests.

CBJ AT A GLANCE



Columbus BLUE JACKETS

26-40-12, 64 pts. || Metropolitan, 8th

Leader, Points: Johnny Gaudreau (58)

Leader, Goals: Boone Jenner (22)

Goalie: Daniil Tarasov (8-11-3, 3.18, .908)

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENTS



Tampa Bay LIGHTNING

43-27-7, 93 pts. || Atlantic, 4th

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

All-Time: CBJ are 15-26-7 (5-14-4, A)

Of Note: TBL have won 9 of last 11 (CBJ; 2-8-1)

One to Watch: **Nikita Kucherov, RW**



Florida PANTHERS

48-24-6, 102 pts. || Atlantic, 2nd

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

All-Time: CBJ are 26-18-5 (10-12-2, A)

Of Note: Home team is 13-5-3 in last 21 games

One to Watch: **Matthew Tkachuk, LW**



Nashville PREDATORS

45-29-4, 94 pts. || Central, 4th

2023-24: Second of two meetings (0-1-0)

All-Time: CBJ are 31-56-13 (9-35-7, A)

Of Note: CBJ are 3-3-1 last 7 meetings

One to Watch: **Filip Forsberg, LW**



Carolina HURRICANES

49-22-7, 105 pts. || Metropolitan, 2nd

2023-24: Fourth of four meetings (0-3-0)

All-Time: CBJ are 26-28-5 (13-14-2, H)

Of Note: Home team is 5-2-0 last 7 meetings

One to Watch: **Sebastian Aho, C**



WERENSKI'S COMEBACK SEASON: D Zach

Werenski, who missed the final 69 games of the 2022-23 season due to shoulder surgery, has returned to post 9-43-52 in 66 contests in 2023-24 to set single-season career highs in assists and points. He has recorded the second-most assists and points by a defenseman in a campaign in club history, trailing only James Wisniewski (44, 2013-14) in assists and Seth Jones (57, 2017-18) in points. He was named the club's Masterton Trophy nominee for the second time (2017-18) on Friday.

PLAYER NOTES: LW **Johnny Gaudreau** is one assist (242-499-741, 759 GP) from becoming the 28th active skater with 500 career assists... F **Dmitri Voronkov** leads NHL rookies in power play goals and ranks 4th-T in goals and 7th-T in points with 18-16-34 and 6 PPG in 72 contests.