



BUFFALO SABRES
OVERALL: 6-4 - SERIES: 2-2

Home Playoff Record (All-Time): 75-57
 Playoff Record vs. MTL (All-Time): 19-20
 Next Game: May 16 at Montreal Canadiens - Game 6

MONTREAL CANADIENS
OVERALL: 6-5 - SERIES: 2-2

Road Playoff Record (All-Time): 188-192-3
 Playoff Record vs. BUF (All-Time): 20-19
 Next Game: May 16 vs. Buffalo Sabres - Game 6



May 14, 2026
KeyBank Center
Buffalo, New York

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Lindy Ruff
Assistant Coach: Seth Appert
Assistant Coach: Mike Bales
Assistant Coach: Matt Ellis
Assistant Coach: Marty Wilford

PRONUNCIATIONS

Carrick, Sam: (KAIR-ihk)
Helenius, Konsta: (hehl-ehn-YOOHS, KAWN-stuh)
Kozak, Tyson: (KOH-zak)
Luukkonen, Ukko-Pekka: (LOO-koh-neh-n, OO-koh-PEH-ka)
Malenstyn, Beck: (MAL-ehn-stighn, BEHK)
McLeod, Ryan: (muh-KLOWD)
Ostlund, Noah: (OHST-luhnd)
Pearson, Tanner: (PEER-suhn)
Samuelsson, Mattias: (SAM-yew-uhlsuhn, ma-TEE-uhs)
Schenn, Luke: (SHEHN)
Tuch, Alex: (TUHK)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Power Play
 6-for-40 (15.0%) -- 11th
Penalty Kill
 30-for-36 (83.3%) -- 9th

LEADING SCORERS

Tage Thompson:
 10 GP, 4 G, 7 A, 11 PTS
Josh Doan:
 10 GP, 2 G, 7 A, 9 PTS
Zach Benson:
 10 GP, 4 G, 3 A, 7 PTS

LAST 5 PLAYOFF GAMES VS. MTL

05/12/26: MTL 2 vs. **BUF 3**
 05/10/26: **MTL 6** vs. BUF 2
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 05/14/98: MTL 1 vs. **BUF 3**

FORWARDS

19 PEYTON KREBS

6'0", 188 lbs. • Calgary, AB
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 2 G, 4 A, 6 PTS, 10 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 2 G, 4 A, 6 PTS, 10 PIM

72 TAGE THOMPSON

6'6", 220 lbs. • Phoenix, AZ
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 4 G, 7 A, 11 PTS, 20 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 4 G, 7 A, 11 PTS, 20 PIM

89 ALEX TUCH

6'4", 219 lbs. • Syracuse, NY
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 4 G, 3 A, 7 PTS, 6 PIM
Playoff Career:
 76 GP, 23 G, 17 A, 40 PTS, 40 PIM

6 ZACH BENSON

5'10", 177 lbs. • Chilliwack, BC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 4 G, 3 A, 7 PTS, 42 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 4 G, 3 A, 7 PTS, 42 PIM

9 JOSH NORRIS

6'2", 196 lbs. • Oxford, MI
2025-26 Playoffs:
 7 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 7 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 2 PIM

91 JOSH DOAN

6'2", 198 lbs. • Scottsdale, AZ
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 2 G, 7 A, 9 PTS, 8 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 2 G, 7 A, 9 PTS, 8 PIM

17 JASON ZUCKER

5'11", 198 lbs. • Newport Beach, CA
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 4 PIM
Playoff Career:
 62 GP, 9 G, 10 A, 19 PTS, 16 PIM

94 KONSTA HELENIUS

5'11", 190 lbs. • Ylojarvi, FIN
2025-26 Playoffs:
 1 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 1 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM

22 JACK QUINN

6'1", 185 lbs. • Ottawa, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 0 PIM

12 JORDAN GREENWAY

6'6", 231 lbs. • Canton, NY
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 6 PIM
Playoff Career:
 32 GP, 4 G, 5 A, 9 PTS, 22 PIM

71 RYAN MCLEOD

6'3", 204 lbs. • Mississauga, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 66 GP, 8 G, 8 A, 16 PTS, 28 PIM

29 BECK MALENSTYN

6'3", 209 lbs. • Delta, BC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 8 PIM
Playoff Career:
 14 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 10 PIM

DEFENSEMEN

26 RASMUS DAHLIN

6'3", 204 lbs. • Lidköping, SWE
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 16 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 16 PIM

23 MATTIAS SAMUELSSON

6'4", 229 lbs. • Philadelphia, PA
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 4 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 3 G, 1 A, 4 PTS, 2 PIM

25 OWEN POWER

6'6", 226 lbs. • Mississauga, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 10 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 0 PIM

4 BOWEN BYRAM

6'1", 205 lbs. • Cranbrook, BC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 4 G, 2 A, 6 PTS, 10 PIM
Playoff Career:
 37 GP, 4 G, 14 A, 18 PTS, 20 PIM

5 LUKE SCHENN

6'2", 225 lbs. • Saskatoon, SK
2025-26 Playoffs:
 1 GP, 0 G, 0 A, 0 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 59 GP, 3 G, 5 A, 8 PTS, 65 PIM

21 CONOR TIMMINS

6'3", 213 lbs. • St. Catharines, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 8 PIM
Playoff Career:
 22 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 12 PIM

GOALTENDERS

1 UKKO-PEKKA LUUKKONEN

6'5", 223 lbs. • Espoo, FIN
2025-26 (Playoffs):
 3 GP, 2-1, .873 SV%, 3.37 GAA
Career (Playoffs):
 3 GP, 2-1, .873 SV%, 3.37 GAA
2025-26 (Regular Season):
 35 GP, 22-9-3, .910 SV%, 2.52 GAA
Career (Regular Season):
 190 GP, 93-74-18, .900 SV%, 2.96 GAA

34 ALEX LYON

6'1", 199 lbs. • Baudette, MN
2025-26 (Playoffs):
 8 GP, 4-3, .921 SV%, 2.18 GAA
Career (Playoffs):
 12 GP, 5-5, .909 SV%, 2.63 GAA
2025-26 (Regular Season):
 36 GP, 20-10-4, .907 SV%, 2.77 GAA
Career (Regular Season):
 149 GP, 71-48-15, .903 SV%, 2.93 GAA

SCRATCHES

8 MICHAEL KESSELRING

10 SAM CARRICK

44 JOSH DUNNE

48 TYSON KOZAK

64 LOGAN STANLEY

70 TANNER PEARSON

73 ZACH METSA

86 NOAH OSTLUND

92 COLTEN ELLIS

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Goaltending Coach: Marco Marciano

PRONUNCIATIONS

Bolduc, Zachary: (bohl-DOOK)
Carrier, Alexandre:
 (KAIR-ee-ay, al-ehx-AHN-druh)
Dach, Kirby: (DAHK, KUHR-bee)
Danault, Phillip: (duh-NOH, FIHL-ihp)
Demidov, Ivan:
 (DEH-mih-dahv, IGH-vuhn)
Dobes, Jakub: (DOH-behsh, YA-kuhb)
Guhle, Kaiden: (GOO-lee, KAY-dehn)
Kapanen, Oliver: (KA-puh-nihn)
Montembeault, Samuel: (mawn-tuh-BOH)
Slafkovsky, Juraj:
 (slaf-KAHV-skee, YUHR-igh)
Struble, Jayden: (STROO-buhl)
Texier, Alexandre:
 (TEHX-ee-ay, al-ehx-AHN-druh)
Veleno, Joseph: (veh-LEH-noh)
Xhekaj, Arber: (ZHEH-kigh, AR-buhr)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Power Play
 9-for-46 (19.6%) -- 6th
Penalty Kill
 35-for-45 (77.8%) -- 13th

LEADING SCORERS

Lane Hutson:
 11 GP, 2 G, 8 A, 10 PTS
Nick Suzuki:
 11 GP, 3 G, 6 A, 9 PTS
Cole Caufield:
 11 GP, 3 G, 4 A, 7 PTS

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FORWARDS

13 COLE CAUFIELD

5'8", 175 lbs. • Mosinee, WI
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 3 G, 4 A, 7 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 36 GP, 10 G, 13 A, 23 PTS, 0 PIM

14 NICK SUZUKI

5'11", 207 lbs. • London, ON,
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 3 G, 6 A, 9 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 48 GP, 16 G, 18 A, 34 PTS, 6 PIM

20 JURAJ SLAFKOVSKY

6'3", 225 lbs. • Kosice, SVK
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 4 G, 2 A, 6 PTS, 7 PIM
Playoff Career:
 16 GP, 6 G, 2 A, 8 PTS, 11 PIM

15 ALEX NEWHOOK

5'11", 200 lbs. • St. John's, NL
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 6 G, 1 A, 7 PTS, 6 PIM
Playoff Career:
 43 GP, 8 G, 8 A, 16 PTS, 20 PIM

71 JAKE EVANS

6'0", 190 lbs. • Toronto, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 0 G, 5 A, 5 PTS, 8 PIM
Playoff Career:
 29 GP, 1 G, 8 A, 9 PTS, 14 PIM

93 IVAN DEMIDOV

6'1", 192 lbs. • Sergiyev Posad, RUS
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 0 G, 4 A, 4 PTS, 6 PIM
Playoff Career:
 16 GP, 0 G, 6 A, 6 PTS, 6 PIM

85 ALEXANDRE TEXIER

6'1", 196 lbs. • Saint-Martin-d'Heres, FRA
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 2 G, 3 A, 5 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 32 GP, 4 G, 9 A, 13 PTS, 6 PIM

24 PHILLIP DANAUULT

6'1", 200 lbs. • Victoriaville, QC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 0 G, 3 A, 3 PTS, 2 PIM
Playoff Career:
 73 GP, 9 G, 22 A, 31 PTS, 34 PIM

17 JOSH ANDERSON

6'3", 226 lbs. • Burlington, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 2 G, 2 A, 4 PTS, 22 PIM
Playoff Career:
 59 GP, 10 G, 9 A, 19 PTS, 99 PIM

76 ZACHARY BOLDUC

6'0", 187 lbs. • Trois-Rivieres, QC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 2 G, 4 A, 6 PTS, 20 PIM
Playoff Career:
 18 GP, 2 G, 5 A, 7 PTS, 36 PIM

77 KIRBY DACH

6'4", 221 lbs. • Fort Saskatchewan, AB
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 4 G, 1 A, 5 PTS, 8 PIM
Playoff Career:
 20 GP, 5 G, 6 A, 11 PTS, 12 PIM

90 JOSEPH VELENO

6'1", 201 lbs. • Montreal, QC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 4 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 4 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM

DEFENSEMEN

8 MIKE MATHESON

6'2", 196 lbs. • Pointe-Claire, QC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 1 G, 1 A, 2 PTS, 12 PIM
Playoff Career:
 36 GP, 2 G, 8 A, 10 PTS, 28 PIM

45 ALEXANDRE CARRIER

5'11", 174 lbs. • Quebec City, QC
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 1 G, 2 A, 3 PTS, 12 PIM
Playoff Career:
 32 GP, 3 G, 10 A, 13 PTS, 18 PIM

48 LANE HUTSON

5'9", 162 lbs. • Holland, MI
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 2 G, 8 A, 10 PTS, 6 PIM
Playoff Career:
 16 GP, 2 G, 13 A, 15 PTS, 6 PIM

53 NOAH DOBSON

6'4", 200 lbs. • Summerside, PE
2025-26 Playoffs:
 5 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 0 PIM
Playoff Career:
 36 GP, 0 G, 11 A, 11 PTS, 8 PIM

72 ARBER XHEKAJ

6'4", 240 lbs. • Hamilton, ON
2025-26 Playoffs:
 10 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 16 PIM
Playoff Career:
 13 GP, 0 G, 1 A, 1 PTS, 20 PIM

21 KAIDEN GUHLE

6'3", 202 lbs. • Edmonton, AB
2025-26 Playoffs:
 11 GP, 0 G, 5 A, 5 PTS, 30 PIM
Playoff Career:
 16 GP, 0 G, 5 A, 5 PTS, 34 PIM

32 JACOB FOWLER

6'1", 223 lbs. • Melbourne, FL
2025-26 (Playoffs):
 0 GP, 0-0, .000 SV%, 0.00 GAA
Career (Playoffs):
 0 GP, 0-0, .000 SV%, 0.00 GAA
2025-26 (Regular Season):
 17 GP, 9-6-2, .908 SV%, 2.43 GAA
Career (Regular Season):
 17 GP, 9-6-2, .908 SV%, 2.43 GAA

SCRATCHES

11 BRENDAN GALLAGHER

35 SAMUEL MONTEMBEAULT

42 ADAM ENGSTROM

47 JAYDEN STRUBLE

62 OWEN BECK

63 FLORIAN XHEKAJ

64 DAVID REINBACHER

91 OLIVER KAPANEN

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