

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS GAME NOTES



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Dec. 11, 2025 | vs. Ottawa Senators (13-12-4, 30 pts.) | 7:00 pm ET | Nationwide Arena

<u>TV: FanDuel Sports Network | Radio: 97.1 The Fan</u>

Home Game No. 14 (6-3-3, 15 pts.)

LAST GAME: Dec. 9, 2025 – CBJ 1 at CAR 4 CBJ Goal Scorers: PP – Voronkov (11)

CAR Goal Scorers: Jarvis (17), Robinson (6), PP - Staal, SH/EN - Martinook (4)

Goalies: CBJ - Greaves (27-of-30, .900 SV%, 57:23); CAR - Bussi (23-of-24, .958 SV%, 60:00)

CBJ PP: 1/3 PK: 3/4 | Shots: CBJ: 24 / CAR: 31

3 Stars: 1st - J. Staal, CAR; 2nd - B. Bussi, CAR; 3rd - S. Jarvis, CAR

Noteworthy: CBJ closed out a 3-game road trip... CBJ scored 1st goal for 15th time (9-2-4) and led 1-0 after the opening period... CBJ scored on PP for 5th time in past 5 games (5-for-16, 31.2 pct.)... Tied 1-1 after the 2nd, CAR scored 3 goals in final 12:07 for the win... Voronkov tied team lead in goals with PPG... Marchenko and Monahan collected assists on goal... Werenski (5 shots) tied Savard for most games played by defenseman in franchise history (597).

	OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT	Total Man Games Lost: 59	
PLAYER	INJURY	GAMES MISSED	DATES MISSED
Erik Gudbranson	Upper Body (IR on Oct. 27)	22	Oct. 28 – Dec. 9
Boone Jenner	Upper Body (IR on Nov. 11)	14	Nov. 13 - Dec. 9
Mathieu Olivier	Upper Body	7	Nov. 26 - Dec. 9

UPCOMING WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Friday, Dec. 12 - 11:00am practice

Saturday, Dec. 13 – 7:00pm ET vs. Vegas (FanDuel Sports Network / 97.1 The Fan)

Sunday, Dec. 14 – No practice **Monday, Dec. 15** – 10:30am practice

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - 7:00pm ET vs Anaheim (FanDuel Sports Network / 97.1 The Fan)

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Dec. 4 Loaned C Luca Pinelli to Cleveland (AHL)

Dec. 2 Placed LW Mathieu Olivier on Injured Reserve retroactive to Nov. 24; Added F Luca Del Bel Belluz to roster on emergency recall from Cleveland (AHL)

Nov. 25 Added C Luca Pinelli to roster on emergency recall from Cleveland (AHL)

Nov. 25 Loaned D Dysin Mayo to Cleveland (AHL)

Nov. 24 Signed D Brendan Smith to a 1-year, 2-way NHL/AHL contract for the 2025-26 season

Nov. 21 Recalled C Brendan Gaunce from Cleveland (AHL); Loaned F Luca Del Bel Belluz to Cleveland (AHL)

Nov. 15 Placed C Boone Jenner on Injured Reserve retroactive to Nov. 11.

HOW CBJ WERE BUILT (ACTIVE: 22, INJURED RESERVE: 3)

Drafted (11): Chinakhov, Del Bel Belluz, Fantilli, Jenner (IR), Johnson, Marchenko, Mateychuk, Merzlikins, Sillinger, Voronkov, Werenski

Trade (6): Coyle, Gaunce, Olivier (IR), Provorov, Severson, Wood

Free Agent (6): Christiansen, Greaves, Gudbranson (IR), Lundestrom, Monahan, Smith

Waivers (2): Aston-Reese, Fabbro

UPCOMING MILESTONES				
PLAYER	NEEDS	NHL / CBJ MILESTONE		
Zach Aston-Reese	3 games	100 th game as a Blue Jacket (6-14-20, 97 GP)		
Yegor Chinakhov	1 game	200 th career NHL game (36-39-75, 199 GP)		
Charlie Coyle	7 goals	200 th career NHL goal (193-311-504, 980 GP)		
Brendan Gaunce	2 games	200 th career NHL game (14-17-31, 198 GP)		
Ivan Provorov	7 points	300 th career NHL points (81-212-293, 726 GP)		
Zach Werenski	3 games	600 th career NHL game (122-292-414, 597 GP)		
	8 assists	300th career NHL assist		
Miles Wood	1 goal	100 th career NHL goal (99-95-194, 537 GP)		
	5 assists	100 th career NHL assist		
	6 points	200 th career NHL point		

MATCHUP NOTES

LAST GAME AGAINST OTTAWA: Apr. 8, 2025 - CBJ 5 vs. OTT 2

CBJ Goal Scorers: Voronkov (21), Danforth (9), Olivier (18), PP - Monahan (18), Fantilli (25)

OTT Goal Scorers: PP – Zetterlund (18), Chabot (7)

Goalies: CBJ – Merzlikins (33-of-35, 59:39); OTT – Forsberg (30-of-35, 59:59)

CBJ PP: 1/2; **PK:** 3/4 | **Shots:** CBJ: 35 / OTT: 35

3 Stars: 1st - Olivier, CBJ; 2nd - Merzlikins, CBJ; 3rd - Danforth, CBJ

Noteworthy: CBJ (1-2-0) and OTT (2-1-0) wrapped up season series with each team winning respective home games... CBJ led 2-0 after 1st period after Voronkov scored 1st goal since Mar. 1 and Danforth (1-1-2) scored + assisted to reach 20 points for 2nd time in career... Olivier (1-1-2) scored GWG in 2nd period while also collecting 6th multi-point game of season to give CBJ a 3-1 edge after 40 minutes... CBJ tallied 2 in 3rd with Monahan's PPG, becoming the 4th Jacket to reach 50 points, and Fantilli's 25th of the season... Werenski assisted to pass Gaudreau for 5th-most points and tie Panarin for 4th-most assists in a single season... Gudbranson collected an assist in 800th career game.

HEAD-TO-HEAD						
CBJ		OTT				
19-20-2-3 ALL	TIME SERIES RECC	ORD 23-14-2-5				
12-7-1-2	HOME	14-5-1-2				
7-13-1-1	ROAD	9-9-1-3				
123	GOALS FOR	129				
129	GOALS AGAINST	123				
1,370	SHOTS FOR	1,325				
1,325	SHOTS AGAINST	1,370				
31-of-151 (20.5 pct.)	POWER PLAY	31-of-154 (20.1 pct.)				
123-of-154 (79.9 pct.)	PENALTY KILL	120-of-151 (79.5 pct.)				

2025-26 SEASON SERIES (0-0-0)					
DATE	LOCATION	TIME / RESULT			
Dec.11, 2025	Nationwide Arena	7:00pm ET			
Dec. 29, 2025	Canadian Tire Centre	7:00pm ET			
Jan. 20, 2026	Nationwide Arena	7:00pm ET			
LAST 10 GAMES IN SERIES					

EAST TO CAMES IN SERIES					
TEAM	OVERALL	HOME	ROAD		
CBJ	3-5-2	7-1-2	3-6-1		
OTT	7-2-1	7-3-0	3-5-2		

BY THE NUMBERS VS. THE SENATORS

- 3 Shutouts by CBJ in the all-time series (MR: Korpisalo, 25 saves in 1-0 W at CBJ on Nov. 25, 2019)
- **5** Straight home games with a power play goal by Columbus (6-of-11, 54.5 pct.)
- 33.3 Power play percentage by the Jackets in the last 10 overall games of the series (7-of-21)

COLUMBUS & OTTAWA CONNECTIONS

CBJ: Davidson was born in Ottawa... **Gudbranson**, who was born in Ottawa, served as an alternate captain in 2020-21, posting 1-2-3 in 36 games... **Monahan** skated for the Ottawa 67's (OHL) from 2010-13, collecting 84-119-203 in 185 contests.

OTT: None

SERIES NOTES VS. OTTAWA

CBJ have recorded points in 10 of the last 11 (8-1-2) and 11 of the past 13 games played at Nationwide Arena (9-2-2) in the series... Four of the last seven games at Nationwide Arena have been decided after regulation (2OT/2SO)... Seven of the past 10 games played in Columbus have been decided by a single goal (CBJ 4-1-2 in those games)... The winning team has scored four goals or fewer eight times in the past 10 matchups at Nationwide Arena and scored two goals or less in five of those eight games... Most goals scored by CBJ vs. OTT: 6 – 2x (MR: 12/31/18, 6-3 W)... Most goals allowed by CBJ vs. OTT: 7, 10/14/15 (3-7 L).

PLAYER MILESTONES VS. OTTAWA

Aston-Reese scored 1st career NHL goal on Feb. 3, 2018 vs. Ottawa (2 goals) and skated in his 300th career game on Apr. 1, 2023 at Ottawa... **Fabbro** skated in his 300th career NHL game on Feb. 27, 2024 vs. the Senators... **Jenner** recorded his 100th career assist on Nov. 25, 2019 vs. Ottawa... **Monahan** skated in his 500th career NHL game on Nov. 20, 2019 vs. the Senators... **Provorov** skated in his 400th career NHL game on Dec. 18, 2021 vs. Ottawa..

PLAYER NOTABLES VS. THE SENATORS

- Fantilli 2-0-2 in 4 career GP, including a goal in the last matchup on Apr. 8, 2025 and has tallies in both career home games
- **Jenner** 9-4-13 in 26 career GP, including goals in 5 of his last 7 contests as well as 5-2-7 in his last 10 overall and has goals in 3 of of his past 4 home contests (3-0-3) with 4-3-7 in his last nine at Nationwide Arena
- Johnson 1-4-5 in 9 career GP, with 0-2-2 in his last matchup on Apr. 8, 2025 and has points in 3 of his 4 home contests (1-3-4)
- Mateychuk 0-2-2 in 3 career GP, including an assist in his lone home game on Apr. 8, 2025
- Merzlikins 3-2-2 with a 2.30 GAA and .931 SV% in 10 GP, with a 2-0-1 record (1.77 GAA, .949 SV%) in last 3 GP as well as a 2-1-2 with a 1.95 GAA and .943 SV% in 6 career home GP
- Monahan 7-12-19 in 31 career GP, with 1-5-6 in his last 8 games overall and has points in last 2 home contests (1-1-2)
- Voronkov 3-0-3 in 6 career GP, who scored last time out on Apr. 8, 2025 and has 2-0-2 in 3 career games at Nationwide Arena
- Werenski 4-15-19 with 5 multi-point efforts in 19 career GP, including assists in 9 of his last 10 games overall (0-12-12) and points in 11 of his last 13 (2-13-15) as well as points in each of his last 7 contests at Nationwide Arena (2-7-9)
- Wood 4-5-9 in 18 career GP, including 4-4-8 in the last 10 contests against the team

25TH ANNIVERSARY

BLUE JACKETS CELEBRATE 25TH SEASON

The Columbus Blue Jackets are proud to celebrate their 25th season in the National Hockey League during the 2025-26 season. Throughout the year, the club will hold a series of dedicated events, celebrating historic moments, legendary players, and the franchise's lasting impact on and off the ice. Visit **CBJHistory.com** for more information.

ANNIVERSARY GAME NIGHT #3

The Blue Jackets will welcome back four former players for the third 25th Anniversary Celebration game on Saturday, Dec. 13 vs. the Vegas Golden Knights. Prior to puck drop vs. the Golden Knights, the club will recognize forwards Tyler Wright, Jody Shelley, Chris Clark and defenseman David Savard. The game marks the third event in a season-long series spotlighting notable alumni and moments that have defined the Blue Jackets' 25 years in the National Hockey League.

ON THIS DAY IN BLUE JACKETS HISTORY: DECEMBER 11

Record on this day: 6-1-0 (4-1-0 at home)... Five of the games on this day have gone past regulation with CBJ going 5-0 in those contests... **Last game on this day:** 6-5 OTW vs. Los Angeles, 2022... **2022:** RW **Kirill Marchenko** scores his first career goal in the club's win over the Kings.

BLUE JACKETS NOTES

HOME COOKING

Columbus begins a four-game homestand from Dec. 11-18 tonight against Ottawa. The club has picked up points in eight-straight home games since Oct. 29 (5-0-3) and is one of two teams without a regulation loss over that stretch (Colorado, 8-0-0). CBJ rank second in the NHL in points percentage (.813), sixth in power play pct. (27.8) and seventh-T in goals for per game (3.38) over that stretch. The streak is tied for the second-longest at home in franchise history, registered three times before (7-0-1 from Oct. 21-Nov. 21, 2016; 8-0-0 from Nov. 29, 2016-Jan. 3, 2017; 8-0-0 from Feb. 24-Mar. 22, 2018). The club had a record 12-game home points streak from Feb. 11-Mar. 31, 2013 (9-0-3). The Jackets finished the 2024-25 campaign 26-10-5 (57 pts) at Nationwide Arena, tying for highest home point total in team history (2016-17).

PICKING UP POINTS

The team has continued to pick up points since the beginning of November, registering points in 12 of its 16 games dating back to Nov. 10 (6-4-6; 18 points). The team is tied for eighth-fewest regulation losses over the last month (four teams), three more than the league leaders (Dallas, Colorado), despite being tied for the second-most games played. The Blue Jackets had their five-game points streak (2-0-3) snapped on Sunday at Washington. It was tied for the longest point streak for the club this season (3-0-2 from Nov. 10-17) and the third time with points in at least four consecutive already (also 4-0-0 from Oct. 25-Nov. 1).

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

The Blue Jackets have played in 12 one-goal games (5-1-6) overall in their past 17, including 10 decided after regulation. The club has also had 16 of its last 23 contests dating back to Oct. 25 (8-2-6 in those games) decided by a single goal. CBJ have seen 19 (9-4-6) of their 30 games this season decided by a single goal (63.3 pct. of games), tied with Dallas for the second-most games played (Los Angeles, 20) and ranking third in game pct. The club played in six-straight one-goal games from Nov. 8-17, tying for the fourth-longest streak in club history (7x, MR: Dec. 9-20, 2014). CBJ finished with a franchise-high 61.4 pct. of their games in one-goal decisions in 2019-20 (43-of-70). The club went 13-7-9 in one-goal games in 2024-25.

ROAD HEAVY START

The club closed out its three-game road trip (0-2-1) on Tuesday at Carolina. The team has already played through a season-high five-game road trip (Nov. 2-11; 1-3-1) and its first of two four-game road trips this season (1-2-1 from Nov. 18-24). Following the team's game at Washington on Nov. 24, the Jackets played a franchise-high 14 of their first 23 games of a campaign on the road, surpassing the 13 road contests to begin the 2009-10 and 2015-16 seasons. CBJ also play a franchise-high 18 road games through the first 30 games of a campaign after completing their three-game trip on Tuesday. It's tied for the second-most in the NHL this season (Calgary), trailing only Utah's 19 road contests in its first 30 games.

DECEMBER OUTLOOK

Columbus has kicked off its December schedule with points in three of its five games (2-2-1) following Tuesday's loss at Carolina. The club plays half of its 14 games in the month at Nationwide Arena and will make two multi-game road trips during the month from Dec. 6-9 (Florida, Washington, Carolina) and Dec. 20-22 (Anaheim and Los Angeles). The Jackets play two of their 15 back-to-backs this month on Dec. 6-7 (at Florida and at Washington) and Dec. 28-20 (vs. New York Islanders and at Ottawa). CBJ are 6-3-2 in back-to-back sets this season (3-1-2 in 1st game; 3-2-0 in 2nd game).

WRAPPING UP 2025

The Blue Jackets have nine games remaining in 2025, including a clash against Metropolitan Division foe New Jersey Devils at Nationwide Arena on New Year's Eve. The club holds a record of 37-28-9 (83 pts) in 74 contests in 2025, ranking ninth-T in the league in shots-pergame (29.1) and 10th-T in goals-for per game (3.09). CBJ are 20-9-5 (45 points) in 34 home games this year to sit seventh-T in goals/game (3.50) and 11th-T in points percentage (.662). The 3.09 is on pace to be the second-highest average over a calendar year in club history (3.16 in 2018) and the club's .561 points percentage is the highest since 2020 (.617).