



# **Buffalo Sabres**

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## **Sabres building confidence**

By Amy Moritz

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It's a bit cliché, but that doesn't diminish the truth of the saying for Tyson Strachan.

Winning is a habit. Losing is a disease.

"It's something that you learn. You learn how to win. I think that's important for us," the Buffalo Sabres defenseman said.

The team has had starts and fits when it comes to playing a solid hockey game, let alone a winning one.

But patience has started to pay off. The Sabres enter tonight's game in First Niagara Center against the Winnipeg Jets (7 p.m., MSG, Radio 550 AM) on a three-game winning streak.

Those are three wins in regulation, mind you. The last time that happened was March 23-27, 2012. Stringing those wins together has been an important part of the Sabres rebuilding effort, helping a young group learn the building blocks of winning habits.

"It's not a one-off win. It's something we built," Strachan said. "We built it on good fundamentals and bought into the system – and get a few wins under your belt, now you have that confidence you can do it night in, night out."

Confidence. That's the word uttered over and over in the Sabres dressing room.

Winning can cure a lot of ills, but for the Sabres wins don't cover the blemishes. Instead, they're a reward for having patience with the process.

"I think we're doing some of the little things better," Sabres forward Matt Moulson said. "Getting our forecheck going and creating chances, and goals are going in. We're getting production from a lot of different guys. Timely goals. That and goaltending. We're playing better in our defensive zone. We have a lot to improve, but I think we're doing a better job of getting out cleaner and that's creating offense."

Sound familiar? When the losses piled up, forechecking, defensive responsibility and getting cleanly out of the zone were points of emphasis. Those were the areas needing vast improvement for the Sabres.

It takes players, especially a group of new faces and young talent, time to buy into the new system. It also takes the coaching staff time to find the right combinations.

"What we were doing three weeks ago, four weeks ago, it just wasn't working," Sabres coach Ted Nolan said. "It doesn't mean we weren't attempting to do it. We're just trying to find our footing. Everybody trying to find their niche, and when you're rebuilding a team – especially when we've got two kids (Rasmus Ristolainen and Nikita Zadorov) on the back end and Zemgus Girgensons, people forget he's only 20 years old – it took us a little while to get our footing down.

"Right now the biggest thing is now they feel confidence within their own ability and they're playing with a lot of confidence."

As players bought into the system and became more comfortable, the team started to show progress in key problem areas. When it worked once, and the young team was rewarded with a win, it was a little easier to replicate. Another win made it a little bit easier.

"I think we have guys who come to the rink a little more relaxed, a little more confident," Moulson said. "You know it's fun to win. Guys see that and that makes them want to do the right things more often."

Patience with the process isn't easy and the process doesn't end with three straight wins.

The Sabres are still searching for line combination answers. The only certainty at the moment is the top line – Moulson, Girgensons and Tyler Ennis.

"I think we identified the other day we have one so-called No. 1 line and then three lines," Nolan said.

And while Jhonas Enroth is starting to emerge as the No. 1 goaltender, he hasn't sewn up the position just yet.

The Winnipeg Jets come to Buffalo after playing Tuesday night in Columbus. The Jets headed into that game with the second-worst scoring offense in the NHL, averaging 1.96 goals per game. The worst goals per game average in the league? That still belongs to the Sabres at 1.62.

This win streak has made a difference, however, in the Sabres attitude and approach. It's something veteran Josh Gorges has noticed, even as he missed the last four games with a knee injury.

"You're seeing a group that's right now excited to be out there for the games," Gorges said. "From what I can see, the hesitation has gone away. We're not sitting back, waiting for things to happen, to see what the other team's going to do and then try to chase the game after that. We're aggressive."

"If you go in there and you're not sure about your own game, about the team game, you're late because you hesitate. You think. This game moves too fast, and if you're half a second behind, you're chasing the game. When we're confident ... things just happen naturally. When you have a little bit of success, you can build off that and continue to ride that wave."

## **Gorges hopes for return for the Habs**

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Josh Gorges took a full practice on Tuesday at First Niagara Center.

That wasn't what coach Ted Nolan was expecting.

"We thought he was just going to come out to take a couple shots, but he went a lot longer," Nolan said. "Time frame? You never know with him. It could be sooner rather than later."

Gorges injured his knee in St. Louis on Nov. 11. The veteran defenseman has missed four games and was expected to be out weeks. But Gorges is feeling better and pushing to return to the lineup.

He doesn't exactly know yet the timetable for his return. "Obviously I'm pushing to be back as soon as possible, and I'm hoping this weekend for a bunch of different reasons, but right now it's a day at a time," Gorges said. "We'll see how I feel tomorrow, and we'll go for the next day. I'm ahead of schedule, but I'm not there yet."

The Sabres host Winnipeg tonight, but the games Gorges really wants to return for are Friday and Saturday when the Sabres have a home-and-home series with the Montreal Canadiens – Gorges' former team.

"As a player and as a competitor, you want to be out there," Gorges said. "There's nothing worse than sitting on the sidelines watching your team ... to be able to out there and be back in practice and do some drills and just be out there with the guys was encouraging for myself."

"You know it was my first day back. Obviously there still some things I need to improve and get better, but for the most part it was good. That's all on our trainers. I wouldn't be there today if it wasn't for them."

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Gorges is close to returning, but center Cody McCormick remains sidelined as he undergoes concussion protocol.

"He said he feels good, but there's protocol that you have to go through," Nolan said. "We'll let the medical team figure that out. Hopefully soon."

In the meantime, the Sabres need another center. But after practice on Tuesday, Nolan indicated there likely would not be a player recalled from Rochester and that Patrick Kaleta would get a turn in the middle.

"We're going to keep the status quo right now," Nolan said. "We practiced Kaleta at center ice. He's been waiting to get in, so we'll see how that works."

"One thing, he's eager to play. He likes to track people. He wants to get in and contribute, so we'll play him there, work him in. Not for defensive zone faceoffs and so forth, but for an energy guy that's exactly what we need."

Nolan also said it was likely some centers, like Zemgus Girgensons and Cody Hodgson, could take some double shifts.

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Cody Hodgson was one of the last players off the ice.

That's relatively new.

Hodgson is still looking to find his offensive touch and his niche in the Sabres system.

The 24-year-old has just two points in 21 games this season and no points in his last five. During the Sabres winning streak he has four shots on goal and two penalty minutes.

But his ice time, which dwindled to just under eight minutes against Minnesota on Nov. 13 has increased the last three games, in part because Nolan is seeing extra effort from Hodgson in practice. Hodgson is also working off-ice with assistant coach Bryan Trottier.

"No question he's working on his craft now," Nolan said. "He's staying out later after practice. He's still working with Bryan in the video room. ... He's getting himself in better position to break himself away from defenders. I really believe he's just on the brink of breaking out."

## **Winnipeg at Buffalo preview**

By Staff Report

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The first five weeks of the season couldn't have gone any worse for the Buffalo Sabres.

The last one has been much more to their liking.

Buffalo hopes to step out of the Eastern Conference basement with its fourth straight victory Wednesday night against the visiting Winnipeg Jets.

There isn't a high level of expectations for this year's Sabres, but a 3-13-2 start was far worse than anything the organization could've envisioned.

A dreadful offense and porous goaltending were the chief culprits behind the team's dismal play.

Buffalo (6-13-2) scored a meager 22 non-shootout goals in those 18 games and went 3 for 55 on the power play. A suspect defense corps offered little help to goaltenders Michal Neuvirth and Jhonas Enroth, who combined for a 3.33 goals-against average.

The last week, however, seems to have signaled a change for the Sabres, who have outscored opponents 12-4 during three consecutive wins.

"In the last couple weeks, things have slowly started turning," coach Ted Nolan told the team's official website. "And when you get wins through your work and you see the results, it makes you believe a little bit more."

Nolan's club had some good fortune on its side Saturday at Washington, winning 2-1 despite being outshot 44-26. Enroth made 20 of his season-high 43 saves in the second period and Torrey Mitchell scored the tiebreaking goal with 7:42 remaining in the third after a perfect bounce off the back wall.

"I'm not a big believer in luck. I believe the harder you work the luckier you get, if there is such a thing," Nolan said. "We kept trying to do the same things over and over again, and it's nice to see that when you do that and have some perseverance, you get rewarded for it."

Secondary scoring has helped put Buffalo in position for its first four-game win streak since a five-game run from March 19-27, 2012.

Leading scorer Tyler Ennis has continued to produce with two goals and six points in his last five games, but the line of Mitchell, Brian Flynn and captain Brian Gionta has also found some chemistry lately. Flynn has a goal and two assists during the win streak, Mitchell has scored twice over that span and Gionta has his only two goals of the season and an assist.

Winnipeg (11-9-3) opened its three-game road trip with a 4-2 victory over Columbus on Tuesday, getting two goals from Evander Kane and another strong performance by rookie goalie Michael Hutchinson.

Hutchinson turned aside 32 shots to improve to 4-0-1 with a 0.85 GAA and one shutout in his past five appearances. That impressive run could mean another night on the bench for No. 1 netminder Ondrej Pavelec, who is 0-4-0 with a 3.33 GAA in his last five starts.

"I'm feeling really good about where my game is right now," Hutchinson said. "I feel I'm reading the play well. I'm able to read those seam passes and know where players are on the ice."

Both of Kane's scores came on the power play, Winnipeg's first goals with the man advantage in eight games.

"It's nice to finally get one on the power play, and hopefully that can start a trend," Kane said.

The Jets have won seven of eight against the Sabres, but the lone loss came in their most recent visit to Buffalo on Dec. 17.

## **Sabres' Torrey Mitchell enjoying best stretch in years**

By Bill Hoppe  
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BUFFALO – After watching Torrey Mitchell score the winning goal on a sore foot late in Saturday's 2-1 win in Washington, Sabres coach Ted Nolan jokingly asked the center if he had heard of Toronto Maple Leafs legend Bobby Baun.

Mitchell's outing, of course, wasn't as gutsy or memorable as the time Baun scored an overtime winner in the Stanley Cup final on a broken leg 50 years ago.

Still, given the way Mitchell had hobbled off the ice minutes earlier, it qualified as unlikely. Nolan thought the worst when teammate Rasmus Ristolainen's slap shot hit Mitchell squarely on the back of the left foot.

"Honestly, it really hurt," Mitchell said Tuesday inside the First Niagara Center after the Sabres prepared for tonight's game against the Winnipeg Jets.

Mitchell simply walked the injury off in the hallway and returned moments later. It swelled up after the game. He's fine, however.

"Friendly fire," Mitchell joked. "It was all good."

Mitchell and his wingers, Brian Flynn and captain Brian Gionta, have all been good recently. The trio has quietly become the No. 2 line and helped buoy the Sabres to a three-game winning streak. The team hasn't won four consecutive games since a five-game streak in March 2012.

"I think we're just ... not trying to do too much but being in the right place, being good positionally and using our speed," Mitchell said. "Flynn has got some good speed. Gio's always in the right place.

"I'm trying to support them as a centerman all over the ice. It's just been the simple little plays, those little details, that we've been good on, that created offense for us."

Flynn and Gionta both scored in last Tuesday's 4-1 win against San Jose.

"I'd say we're more of a checking line, but the last couple games we've been able to put the puck in the net," Mitchell said. "That's a big plus, and that creates a lot of momentum."

Hard work created the goals. Gionta and Flynn scored after the line outworked the Sharks in the Buffalo zone. A strong forecheck against the Capitals led to Mitchell's score.

Mitchell believes the linemates "sort of have the same mentality."

"We're all hardworking guys, (play a) simple game, try to work whoever we're out there against," he said. "It's been working for us the last week or so."

Nolan added: "Three hardworking guys that read and react off each other. Three intelligent men to begin with. They study their craft, and their character really steps to the forefront."

Gionta said the line always stays on the right side of the puck. Whether or not they're scoring, the trio does "the same things game in and game out," he said.

"There's that level of comfort with each other knowing where we're going to be," Gionta said.

Mitchell, who scored a career-high 10 goals as a rookie in 2007-08, hasn't felt this comfortable in a long time. The speedy 29-year-old, part of last season's Matt Moulson trade with Minnesota, is one of the Sabres' biggest surprises.

He already has three goals in 21 games, one more than he had in 67 appearances last year. His versatility – he can play center and winger – has helped, too.

Mitchell has averaged 14 minutes, 29 seconds of ice time each game, 28 seconds more than center Cody Hodgson, the Sabres' leading scorer last season.

"At least the last couple years, I'd say this is the most confidence I've had," Mitchell said. "When I signed with Minnesota as a free agent (in 2012), I was pegged more of in a fourth-line role, so I wasn't getting the ice time that I wanted. When I got traded here, I got an opportunity. I feel like I'm taking advantage of it."

Flynn, a healthy scratch nine of the first 11 games, has also taken advantage of his opportunity. Top prospect Sam Reinhart's assignment to junior earlier this month opened up a spot for the 26-year-old.

Now, it's hard to imagine him leaving the lineup.

"He never complained about (getting scratched)," Nolan said. "I knew he was disappointed, but he never complained about it. He kept working."

## **Sabres could use Patrick Kaleta at center**

By Bill Hoppe  
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BUFFALO – Patrick Kaleta, center? Believe it. It could be happen Wednesday, Sabres coach Ted Nolan said.

Kaleta, a winger his entire nine-year career, has practiced in the middle the last two days. Nolan said Monday the Sabres could recall a center. For now, however, they are “going to keep the status quo.”

“He’s been waiting to get in,” Nolan said this afternoon inside the First Niagara Center. “So we’ll maybe see how that works.”

Kaleta has played one game this season, a 6-3 loss Nov. 13 in Minnesota, his only NHL appearance in the last 13 months.

“One thing, he’s eager to play,” Nolan said. “He likes to track people. He wants to get in and contribute.”

If Kaleta plays center between Marcus Foligno and Chris Stewart, the Sabres would work him in. He wouldn’t take defensive-zone faceoffs. Nolan would also move other centers in.

In other injury news, center Cody McCormick, out with a possible concussion, “said he feels good,” Nolan said. Still, McCormick must undergo the proper protocol.

Meanwhile, defenseman Josh Gorges (knee) practiced today, his first full session since getting hurt two weeks ago.

Could he return sooner than expected?

“You never know with him,” Nolan said. “It could be sooner than later.”

Nolan only expected Gorges to be on the ice briefly.

## **Enroth backstops Sabres' streak**

By Andy Young

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BUFFALO, N.Y. — The Sabres riding a winning wave -- three straight victories for the first time since last February.

And While they're scoring more goals (12 during the victory streak), their goaltending has been a major key.

In the past two outings, Jhonas Enroth has played terrifically in net, allowing just two goals on 64 shots, including a 43-save performance in Saturday's 2-1 win over the Capitals.

"That game last game was almost like a statement game," said head coach Ted Nolan "He really wanted to get in there. He wanted to do something well and he certainly did it."

Enroth is fighting to regain the No. 1 goaltender job from Michal Neuvirth, who's working back from a bruised knee. After a rough patch earlier in the season, Enroth saw his chances diminish, but the Swede is making a case to take the top spot.

"I've been trying to feel the same way," Enroth said. "I approach the games a similar way all the time, it doesn't matter how I've been playing."

Nolan said Monday that Enroth scheduled to get the start when the Sabres host Winnipeg on Wednesday, in search of their fourth consecutive triumph.

Patrick Kaleta might get a shot to play center when the Sabres take on the Jets.

The Angola-native has only played in one game since returning from injury, and with Cody McCormick out with concussion symptoms, the Sabres need someone to play center ice. That someone could be Kaleta, on a line with Marcus Foligno and Chris Stewart.

Meanwhile, defenseman Josh Gorges is working his way back from a lower body injury. He participated fully in practice for the first time in two weeks on Tuesday, and hopes to be available this weekend when the Sabres face Gorges' former team, Montreal.

## **Gorges returns to practice**

By Chris Ryndak

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With center Cody McCormick going through concussion protocol, the Buffalo Sabres will need someone to center his line with Marcus Foligno and Chris Stewart.

Coach Ted Nolan said he'll continue to have discussions with general manager Tim Murray about a possible call-up, but for now it looks as if Patrick Kaleta will get his first taste of center ice.

Kaleta has played only in one game this season since returning from injury and has been a healthy scratch the past three games.

"He's been waiting to get in so we'll maybe see how that works," Nolan said. "He's eager to play. He likes to track people. He wants to get in there and contribute. We'll work him in – not defensive zone faceoffs and so forth – but for an energy guy, that's exactly what we need."

The Rochester Americans, Buffalo's American Hockey League affiliate, are on the same schedule as the Sabres this week, playing on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

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### **HAPPY THOUGHTS**

Buffalo is riding a three-game winning streak into their home game Wednesday night against the Winnipeg Jets.

Rookie Nicolas Deslauriers has two points over that stretch and talked to Sabres.com about the positive vibe in the dressing room as of late.

"Right now on the winning streak, everything's been awesome. The boys have fun playing hockey and for my side, I'm still just a young kid and I want to prove myself," he said. "Every time I step on the ice, I want to do something good for the team and for myself. It's been going good."

Nolan knows there is still a lot of work ahead, but it's nice to see the team finally get some positive results for the work they've been putting in.

"I saw what we were doing three weeks ago, four weeks ago, it just wasn't working. It doesn't mean we weren't attempting to do it. We were just trying to find our footing. Everybody was trying to find their niche," Nolan said.

"It took us a little while to get our footing down so right now, I guess the biggest thing is now they feel confidence within their own ability and playing with a lot of confidence."

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### **A WEEKEND RETURN?**

Josh Gorges, who sustained a lower-body injury on Nov. 11 practiced with the team for the first time since the injury occurred. He skated on his own on Monday and was only expected to take the ice for a few minutes on Tuesday.

However, he was out with the team for the duration of the practice and participated in many of the drills.

"As a player and as a competitor, you want to be out there. There's nothing worse than sitting on the sidelines, watching your team go to battle without you," he said. "To be able to go out there and get back into practice and

do some drills – and just be out there with the guys – was encouraging for myself and we'll push forward and push for tomorrow. We'll see how things go then."

He's hoping to be back this weekend when the Sabres play back-to-back games against his former club, the Montreal Canadiens but it is taking his recovery day by day.

Even in the short time he's been out, he's noticed a difference in the team's demeanor.

"From what I can see, the hesitation has gone away," he said. "We're not sitting back, waiting for things to happen, to see what the other team's going to do and then chase the game after that.

"We're aggressive, we're jumping on pucks, we're forcing plays. We're making the other teams try to adapt to what we want to do and I think that's something we're going to have to continue doing if we want to be successful."

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## **College hockey report**

By Joe Ray

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### **CANISIUS GOLDEN GRIFFINS (4-5-4 overall, 3-3-3 Atlantic Hockey)**

Due to the winter weather that swept through the region, Canisius was unable to make it to Erie, Pa., for last Friday's game against Mercyhurst. It's been rescheduled for January 13 at 7:05 p.m.

The two teams convened at HARBORCENTER on Saturday in what was to be the second half of a home-and-home series. The Griffs forced a tie for the third time in their last four games, skating to a 3-3 decision against the Lakers.

After Mercyhurst's Daniel Bahntge opened the scoring with two goals in the opening 4:28, Canisius' top forward line of Ralph Cuddemi, Ryan Schmelzer and Shane Conacher helped the Griffs storm right back. Cuddemi scored his fifth of the year at the 8:06 mark of the first with assists to Schmelzer and Conacher.

Just 1:10 later, Schmelzer scored the equalizer from Conacher and Cuddemi. A former captain of the Buffalo Jr. Sabres, Schmelzer now has four points (2+2) in his last five games.

Mercyhurst would add an extra tally before the end of the first and carried that lead all the way to the midway point of the third period. The goal was Mercyhurst's third on nine shots to open the game, prompting Canisius to replace goaltender Adam Harris with Reilly Turner after the first period.

Cody Freeman scored the game-tying goal for the Griffs with 10:28 to play in regulation. Canisius outshot the Lakers 16-8, but neither squad could save the trip to overtime. Each side registered three shots in the extra period, but the two sides skating off with no victor determined.

Turner was excellent in relief, stopping all 24 shots he faced over the final 45 minutes to earn the game's third star.

Canisius now finds themselves one game into a five-game homestand at HARBORCENTER. The Griffs host Air Force this weekend with games on Friday (2:05 p.m.) and Saturday (7:35 p.m.).

### **Upcoming Games**

- Friday, November 28 vs. Air Force (2:05 p.m., HARBORCENTER)
- Saturday, November 29 vs. Air Force (7:35 p.m., HARBORCENTER)
- Friday, December 5 vs. AIC (7:35 p.m., HARBORCENTER)
- Saturday, December 6 vs. AIC (7:35 p.m., HARBORCENTER)

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### **NIAGARA PURPLE EAGLES (3-9-0 overall, 3-5-0 Atlantic Hockey)**

Niagara picked up its first win of the season two weeks ago at Bentley, and they treated the home crowd to two wins last weekend in a sweep of the Army Black Knights. Freshman Robert Angiolella scored three goals in the two games, and was named AHA Rookie of the Week.

The Purple Eagles opened with a 3-1 victory over Army on Friday, with Stephen Pietrobon and T.J. Sarcona getting Niagara out to a 2-0 lead. For Sarcona, it was his first game of the season after missing the first 10 due to injury.

Army added a power-play tally at the 17:31 of the first from Tyler Pham to cut the Niagara lead in half

But the Purple Eagles would add some insurance in the second period as Angiolella scored at the 14:38 to close the scoring. Freshman forward Stanislav Dzakhov assisted on the goal for his first point with Niagara.

Goaltender Jackson Teichroeb finished with 22 saves in the game to earn his second win of the season.

The two teams returned to Dwyer Arena on Saturday, and Niagara won handily by a score of 6-1. The Purple Eagles scored early and often, with Angiolella, Hugo Turcotte and Dan Kolenda opening up an early 3-0 lead.

Army replaced former Jr. Sabre Parker Gahagen with Cole Bruns after the first period. Niagara proceeded to score two more goals in the second period, with Kolenda adding his second of the game at the 11:30. Isaac Kohls would make it 5-0 just 1:23 later. Army's Josh Richards broke Teichroeb's shutout with five minutes to go in the second period.

Angiolella scored his second of the night with a power-play goal early in the third to secure the 6-1 victory. Teichroeb racked up 27 saves in the win, extending Niagara's winning streak to three games.

Niagara has the Thanksgiving weekend off before returning to action December 5 at Dwyer Arena.

### **Upcoming Games**

- Friday, December 5 vs. Holy Cross (7:00 p.m., Dwyer Arena)
- Saturday, December 6 vs. Holy Cross (7:05 p.m., Dwyer Arena)
- Friday, December 12 @ RIT (7:05 p.m.)
- Saturday, December 13 vs. RIT (7:05 p.m., Dwyer Arena)

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### **RIT TIGERS (4-7-2 overall, 3-5-2 Atlantic Hockey)**

Matt Garbowsky's stellar senior season continued on Friday with two goals and two assists in RIT's 5-1 win over the Sacred Heart Pioneers.

After the first period nearly ended scoreless, Garbowsky found the back of the net with 15 seconds left. Just 2:23 into the second period, Garbowsky set up Danny Smith with a shorthanded goal which would prove to be the game-winner.

Garbowsky added his second score of the game at the 11:46 mark of the second period before Sacred Heart's Ben Lane broke Jordan Ruby's shutout bid. The Tigers received two more special teams goals in the third – a power-play goal from Josh Mitchell and a shorthanded goal from Brad McGowan – to secure the win. Ruby finished the evening with 25 saves for his third victory of the season.

The Tigers entered Saturday's game having won two straight, but dropped a 2-1 decision to Sacred Heart to split the weekend series. Drew George and Jordan Minello scored for Sacred Heart in the opening 3:20 of the game, and it was all the offense the Pioneers would need. Andrew Miller scored the Tigers' only goal of the game 1:38 into the second.

While they were held scoreless Saturday, RIT's top line of Garbowsky, Mitchell and McGowan is maintaining an incredible scoring pace. With 11 goals and eight assists, Garbowsky is tied with Boston University freshman Jack Eichel for the NCAA scoring lead. Mitchell (3+13) is tied for eighth in the nation in scoring, and McGowan (5+8) is tied for 23rd.

The Tigers return to action Saturday when they travel to New Haven for a matchup with the Yale Bulldogs.

### **Upcoming Games**

- Saturday, November 29 @ Yale (7 p.m.)
  - Friday, December 12 vs. Niagara (7:05 p.m., Gene Polisseni Center)
  - Saturday, December 13 @ Niagara (7:05 p.m.)
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### **BUFFALO STATE BENGALS (1-3-2 overall, 1-3-2 SUNYAC)**

Buffalo State's Friday road matchup with the Fredonia Blue Devils was postponed until February 14 due to the winter storm conditions.

The Bengals continue their road trip this weekend with a two-game series in De Pere, WI, against top-ranked St. Norbert College. The Green Knights have won the NCAA Division III Championship two of the last three years, and are currently the No. 1 D-III team in the nation at 6-0-1.

### **Upcoming Games**

- Friday, November 28 @ St. Norbert (7 p.m.)
- Saturday, November 29 @ St. Norbert (4 p.m.)
- Friday, December 5 @ Brockport (7 p.m.)
- Saturday, December 6 @ Geneseo (7 p.m.)