

# ATLANTA HAWKS NEWS ALERT



## ATLANTA HAWKS WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 30 – May 6, 2012

### UPCOMING GAMES



#### BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Game	Time	TV/Radio
5/1 vs. Boston	7:30 p.m.	SPSO HD/NBA TV/99X
5/4 at Boston	7:30 p.m.	SPSO HD/TBD/99X
5/6 at Boston	7:00 p.m.	SPSO HD/TBD/99X
5/8 vs. Boston*	TBD	SPSO HD/TBD/99X
5/10 at Boston*	TBD	SPSO HD/TBD/99X
5/12 vs. Boston*	TBD	SPSO HD/TBD/99X

(\* if necessary)

#### GAME ONE RECAP

The Hawks led from start to finish, knocking off the Celtics 83-74 at Philips Arena on Sunday to take a 1-0 series lead ... Josh Smith led the way with 22 points and a postseason career-best 18 rebounds ... Jeff Teague scored 15 points, Kirk Hinrich 12 and Joe Johnson 11 ... Atlanta opened the game on a 20-6 run, pushed the lead to as many as 17, before settling for a 31-18 edge after one ... Both teams played solid defense in the quarter but the Hawks won the stanza, 18-17, to take a 49-35 advantage at the break (after being up 19) ... Boston managed to cut it to 65-53 after three and 78-74 with one minute to play, but Johnson, Smith and Teague all hit clutch free throws down the stretch to ice it for the home team ... The Celtics finished 0-11 from three-point range and shot .390 overall ... Atlanta won the battle of the boards 50-41 ... Kevin Garnett (20 points\12 rebounds) and Rajon Rondo (20 points\11 assists) each had double-doubles for the Celtics ... The Hawks reserves outscored their Boston counterparts 17-4.

#### REGULAR SEASON SERIES

The Hawks and Celtics match-up after meeting three times during the regular season ... Boston took two-of-three against Atlanta after splitting two games at Philips Arena and winning the only contest in Beantown ... The Celtics posted a road win on 3/19 (79-76) and a home triumph on 4/11 (88-86 in overtime) before the Hawks managed a 97-92 decision at Philips Arena on 4/20 ... Joe Johnson tallied 23.0 ppg against Boston this year, while Josh Smith (16.3 ppg/11.3 rpg) and Zaza Pachulia (14.5 ppg/10.0 rpg in two games) each averaged a double-double ... Kevin Garnett (19.0 ppg/10.0 rpg) and Rajon Rondo (10.0 ppg/16.5 apg) also averaged double-doubles in the series, each seeing action in two games ... The Hawks are 132-218 all-time against Boston in the regular season (84-80 at home, 34-117 on the road) and 24-36 all-time in the postseason (including last night's win).

#### PRACTICE/SHOOTAROUND SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Location	Time (ET)
4/30	Mon.	Practice Court	11:00 a.m.
5/1	Tue.	Philips Arena	10:00 a.m.
5/2	Wed.	Practice Court	11:00 a.m.
5/3	Thur.	Philips Arena	10:00 a.m.
5/4	Fri.	Practice Court	11:00 a.m.
5/5	Sat.	TBD	
5/6	Sun.	TBD	

\*All times ET unless noted ... All practice information is subject to change.

### 2011-12 Season Record

OVERALL:	40-26
HOME:	23-10
ROAD:	17-16

### Recent Results

4/20	vs. BOS	97-92	W
4/22	vs. NY	113-112	L
4/24	vs. LAC	109-102	W
4/26	vs. DAL	106-89	W
4/29	vs. BOS	83-74	W

### COMMUNITY NEWS

\* Zaza Pachulia is the recipient of this year's Jason Collier Memorial Trophy, awarded annually to the individual who best exemplifies the characteristics Collier displayed off the court as a community ambassador.

\* The Hawks are accepting nominations to install the next Atlanta Hawks Reading & Learning Zone sponsored by Philips at a local venue as a part of the Read to Achieve program. The winning site will receive a make-over worth up to \$10,000, including books and educational materials. A full list of qualifications as well as the nomination form can be found at Hawks.com/Community. Entries will be accepted over a six-week period from today through June 1, 2012.

### NEWS & NOTES

\* Against the Los Angeles Clippers on 4/24, Joe Johnson passed Kevin Willis to move into sixth place on the Hawks' career scoring list (currently 10,606).

\* Ivan Johnson was named the NBA's Eastern Conference Rookie of the Month for April. Johnson led all rookies in steals (1.45) and paced Eastern Conference first-year players in field goal percentage (.582) for the month. In addition, he averaged 10.7 points and 5.9 rebounds.

\* Josh Smith finished the regular season as the only player ranked among the NBA's Top 40 in points, rebounds, assists, blocks and steals. On the year, Smith averaged 18.8 ppg (t18<sup>th</sup>), 9.6 rpg (t12<sup>th</sup>), 3.9 apg (t31<sup>st</sup>), 1.7 bpg (9<sup>th</sup>) and 1.4 spg (20<sup>th</sup>).

\* Josh Smith set a new playoff career-best with 18 boards vs. Boston on 4/29, in the process moving past Dominique Wilkins and Al Horford into fifth on the Hawks' all-time postseason rebounding list (currently 346). Smith also jumped into second all-time in playoff free throws made (currently 164), passing Lou Hudson, and into sixth in playoff field goals made (currently 241), ahead of Steve Smith.

\* Marvin Williams made his 2,000<sup>th</sup> career field goal vs. Dallas on 4/26.

\* Jeff Teague recorded back-to-back 20 point games for the first time in his career on 4/22 vs. New York (23 points) and 4/24 vs. L.A. Clippers (21 points).

\* On 4/27, the NBA announced that seven ties among teams that finished the 2011-12 regular season with identical records were broken through random drawings to help determine the order of selection for the 2012 NBA Draft, which will be held on 6/28 at The Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. The Clippers won the tiebreaker with the Hawks resulting in Atlanta having the 23<sup>rd</sup> in the first round.

\* Atlanta Hawks 2012 Playoff tickets are on sale now. Visit [www.hawks.com](http://www.hawks.com) for more information.

### THIS WEEK IN HAWKS HISTORY

**May 3, 1968** – It is announced that the St. Louis Hawks would move to Atlanta for the 1968-69 season under the guidance of new owners Tom Cousins and former Georgia Governor Carl Sanders.

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