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- ▶ Hurricanes extend win streak to nine games
- ▶ Draisaitl becomes first player to 20 points in 2021-22
- ▶ Sillinger tallies three points, makes Blue Jackets history






* The Hurricanes kept their perfect record in tact as the club improved to 9-0-0 and tied the Canadiens (2015-16) for the second-longest season-opening win streak in NHL history.

* **Leon Draisaitl** reached an NHL-leading 9-11—20 and became the first player to hit the 20-point mark in a season in fewer than 10 games since Pittsburgh's **Mario Lemieux** (9 GP in 2002-03) did so.

* **Cole Sillinger** (18 years, 172 days) became the youngest Blue Jackets player to record a three-point outing and the Blues scored a shorthanded game-tying goal with nine seconds remaining in regulation to round out Wednesday's edition of #NHLStats: Live Updates.



WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

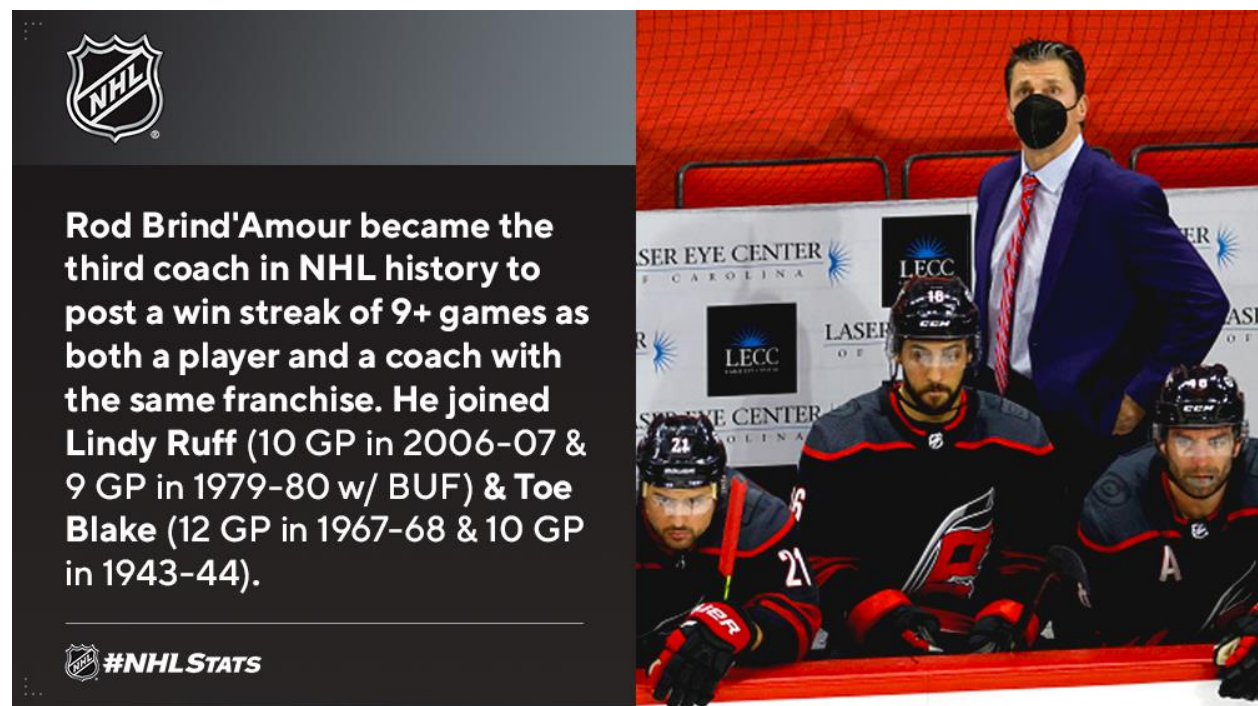
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HURRICANES, ANDERSEN KEEP THEIR PERFECT STARTS INTACT

Frederik Andersen earned his NHL-leading eighth win of the season – [the fourth-longest win streak to start a campaign in NHL history](#) – and helped the Hurricanes secure their ninth straight win to start 2021-22. Wednesday marked Carolina's 45th regular-season victory in the 2021 calendar year, which is tied with Florida for the most by any club.

* The Hurricanes tied the Canadiens (9-0-0 in 2015-16) for the [second-longest season-opening win streak in NHL history](#), behind the Sabres (10 GP in 2006-07) and Maple Leafs (10 GP in 1993-94).

* **Rod Brind'Amour** (9-0-0) owns the second-longest win streak to start a season for a reigning Jack Adams Trophy winner, trailing only **Lindy Ruff** (10 GP in 2006-07) and **Pat Burns** (10 GP in 1993-94).



DRAISAITL RECORDS NHL-LEADING 20TH POINT OF 2021-22

Leon Draisaitl (2-1—3) recorded his fifth three-or-more point outing of the season and became the first player to reach the 20-point mark in 2021-22, while **Connor McDavid** (0-2—2) extended his season-opening point streak to nine games to help Edmonton improve to 8-1-0.

* Draisaitl (9-11—20 in 9 GP) became the second player in franchise history to record 20 points in a season in *fewer than* 10 games, joining **Wayne Gretzky** who accomplished the feat five times (7 GP in 1986-87, 1984-85 & 1983-84; 8 GP in 1987-88 & 1985-86).





FEWEST GAMES TO 20 POINTS IN A SEASON

▶ SINCE 1991-92

PLAYER	SEASON	GP
MARIO LEMIEUX	1995-96	7
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WAYNE GRETZKY	1993-94	8
PAT LAFONTAINE	1992-93	8
KEVIN STEVENS	1992-93	8
LEON DRAISAITL	2021-22	9
MARIO LEMIEUX	2002-03	9
RON FRANCIS	1995-96	9
JAROMIR JAGR	1995-96	9

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* McDavid became the [fourth player in franchise history](#) to record a season-opening point streak of nine or more games.

SILLINGER TALLIES THREE POINTS, KRUG SCORES LATE ON #NHLSTATS: LIVE UPDATES

A four-game slate featured a number of #NHLStats: Live Updates as **Cole Sillinger** (2-1—3) became the youngest Blue Jackets player to record a three-point outing and **Torey Krug** scored at 19:51 of the third period to mark the [sixth-latest shorthanded goal to tie a game in NHL history](#). Read in full [here](#).



BLUE JACKETS

Cole Sillinger (18 years, 172 days) became the third 18-year-old in franchise history to record a three-point game, joining Rick Nash (18 years, 211 days) and Nikita Filatov (18 years, 230 days)

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PENGUINS, FLAMES HOST HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER AWARENESS NIGHTS

The Penguins (3-3-2, 8 points) and Flames (6-1-2, 14 points) will host their Hockey Fights Cancer Awareness Night Thursday when they square off with the Flyers (5-2-1, 11 points) and Stars (3-4-2, 8 points), respectively.



TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021

7:00 PM ET		@		BSDET, NESN, SNP, SNO, SNE, SN360
7:00 PM ET		@		TSN4, BSSUN
7:00 PM ET		@		RDS, TSN2, MSG+
7:00 PM ET		@		RDS2, TSN5, ATTSN-RM
7:00 PM ET		@		BSFL, NBCSWA
7:00 PM ET		@		NBCSP, ATTSN-PT
9:00 PM ET		@		SNW, BSSW
10:00 PM ET		@		ROOT-NW, MSG-B
10:30 PM ET		@		BSMW, NBCSCA



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* [On Hockey Fights Cancer Awareness Night in Pittsburgh](#), **Jeff Carter** is set to appear in his 1,100th career game after he reached the 400-goal milestone earlier this season on Oct. 14. Carter will become just the third active player with at least 400 goals and 1,100 contests, joining **Joe Thornton** (426-1,104—1,530 in 1,686 GP) and **Alex Ovechkin** (739-596—1,335 in 1,206 GP).

* Carter's teammate, **Brian Boyle**, registered a career outing on a previous Hockey Fights Cancer Awareness Night as a member of the Devils and coincidentally against the Penguins on Nov. 5, 2018. Just 12 days after announcing his cancer was in remission, [Boyle recorded his first career hat trick](#).



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* In Calgary, the Flames will put their eight-game point streak on the line (6-0-2) with **Johnny Gaudreau** (2-9—11 in 9 GP) and **Elias Lindholm** (7-4—11 in 9 GP) leading the way. Calgary looks to string together at least one point in nine consecutive games for the fifth time in six seasons (9 GP in 2019-20, 9 GP in 2018-19, 11 GP in 2017-18 & 12 GP in 2016-17).

* The Flames' Hockey Fights Cancer Awareness Night will include **Dan Joyce**, a country singer and lifelong Flames fan battling cancer, joining **George Canyon** for the national anthem and 16-year-old **Aman Ravji**, who was diagnosed with osteosarcoma in November 2019, participating in various game activations throughout the evening.

OVECHKIN EYES 10TH GOAL IN SHOWDOWN WITH PANTHERS

Alex Ovechkin (9-6—15 in 9 GP) and the Capitals (5-1-3, 13 points) travel to FLA Live Arena, where the Panthers (8-0-1, 17 points) have won each of their past nine home regular-season games dating back to last season (since April 24).

* Ovechkin (36 years, 48 days) can become the NHL's first player to reach the 10-goal mark in a season for the third time (also in 2013-14 and 2017-18). Should he reach double digits, the 2021-22 campaign would be the third in NHL history to feature a player 36 or older as the first skater to 10 goals – **Mike Gartner** (1996-97 w/ PHX) and **Maurice Richard** (1957-58 w/ MTL) both achieved the feat at age 36.

* Florida, which can start a season with a point streak of 10 or more games for the second time in franchise history (12 GP in 1996-97: 8-0-4), can become the seventh team in the last 21 years to achieve the feat.



LONGEST POINT STREAKS TO BEGIN A SEASON

▶ SINCE 2000-01

TEAM	SEASON	RECORD	GP
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS	2012-13	21-0-3	24
ANAHEIM DUCKS	2006-07	12-0-4	16
BUFFALO SABRES	2006-07	11-0-1	12
NEW YORK ISLANDERS	2001-02	9-0-2	11
COLORADO AVALANCHE	2000-01	9-0-2	11
MONTREAL CANADIENS	2016-17	9-0-1	10

*FLORIDA CAN JOIN THIS LIST

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