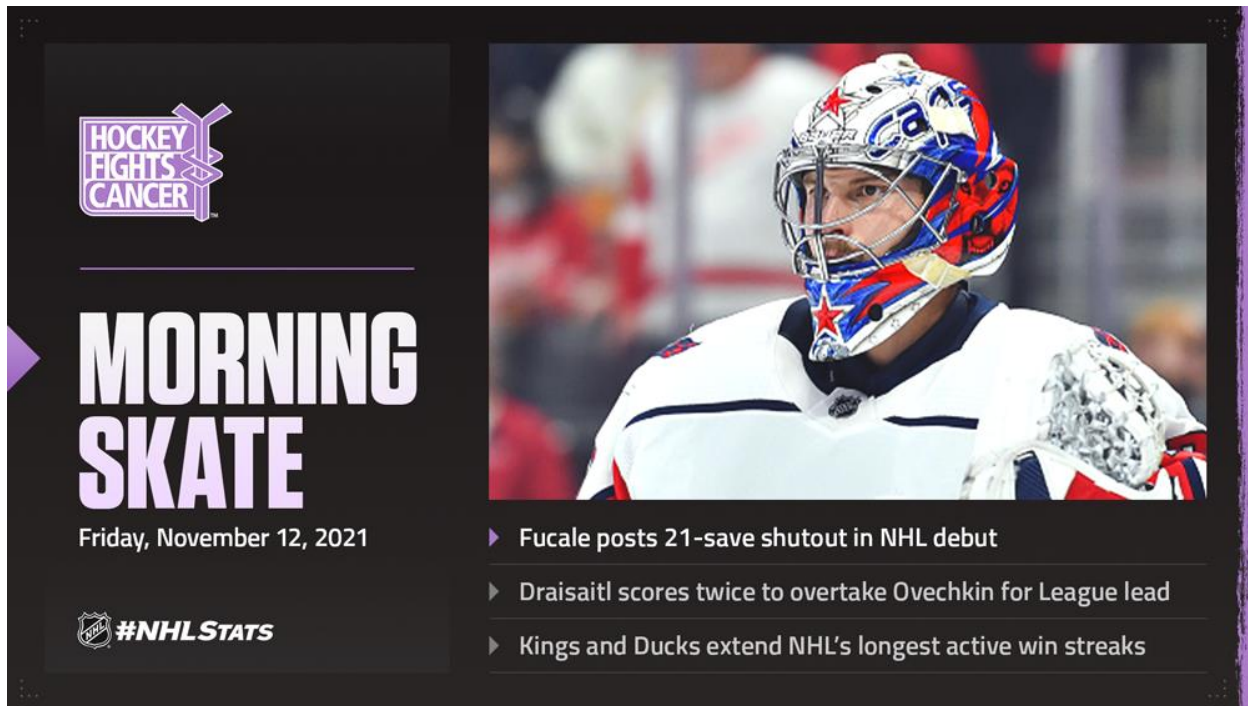


## NHL MORNING SKATE – NOV. 12, 2021



**HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER**

# MORNING SKATE

Friday, November 12, 2021

**#NHLSTATS**

- ▶ Fucale posts 21-save shutout in NHL debut
- ▶ Draisaitl scores twice to overtake Ovechkin for League lead
- ▶ Kings and Ducks extend NHL's longest active win streaks

\* Goaltenders **Zach Fucale** and **MacKenzie Blackwood** each played a pivotal role for their clubs Thursday, blanking the Red Wings and Islanders, respectively.

\* After an emotional pre-game ceremony at TD Garden, **Leon Draisaitl** recorded his NHL-best seventh three-point game of the season and overtook **Alex Ovechkin** for the League lead in goals.

\* With the Kings and Ducks both capturing victories Thursday, the NHL features California-based teams with simultaneous win streaks of six or more games for the first time since 2014-15.



**NHL THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

 <b>5</b> ‹ FINAL ‹ <b>3</b> 	 <b>2</b> FINAL ‹ <b>4</b> 	 <b>2</b> ‹ FINAL ‹ <b>0</b> 	 <b>0</b> FINAL ‹ <b>4</b> 
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### FUCALE, BLACKWOOD POST STANDOUT PERFORMANCES IN SHUTOUT WINS

Capitals goaltender **Zach Fucale** (21 saves) posted a shutout in his NHL debut, while Devils

netminder **MacKenzie Blackwood** (42 saves) also held the opposition off the score sheet to backstop Washington (7-2-4, 18 points) and New Jersey (7-3-2, 16 points) to victories, respectively.

\* Fucale, 26, who has played for nine different minor league teams across the ECHL and AHL since 2015-16, made his debut eight years after being selected by the Canadiens in the 2013 NHL Draft (36th overall). With his parents in the stands, he became the first goaltender in Capitals history, and the [NHL's 10th in the last 25 years](#), to post a shutout in his first game.



There were some moments where it was harder to believe in (making the NHL), but I just stuck with it. A lot of resilience. I just kept playing, I kept learning, kept going and here we are.



**ZACH FUCALE**  
WASHINGTON CAPITALS

\* Thursday marked Blackwood's seventh career shutout and third in which he turned aside at least 40 shots. His three such performances since entering the NHL in 2018-19 are tied with **Jacob Markstrom** for the most [among all goaltenders over that span](#).



DEVILS

**MacKenzie Blackwood** (42 saves) recorded his third career 40-save shutout (also Feb. 6, 2020 at PHI & March 28, 2021 at BOS), passing **Martin Brodeur** (2) for the most in Devils franchise history

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### **DRAISAITL BANKS YET ANOTHER THREE-POINT OUTING**

After the two clubs [honored their former teammate Colby Cave](#) with an emotional video tribute and ceremonial puck drop by his wife, **Emily**, **Leon Draisaitl** (2-1—3) scored his 12th goal of the season to overtake **Alex Ovechkin** (11-11—22 in 13 GP) for the most this season and help Edmonton (10-2-0, 20 points) secure the first win by a visitor at TD Garden in 2021-22.



OILERS

The Oilers (10-2-0) tied their franchise mark for the fewest games to 10 wins in a season, with both other instances occurring in the 80s: 12 GP in 1985-86 and 12 GP in 1984-85.

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\* Draisaitl (12-14—26 in 12 GP) recorded his seventh outing with three or more points in 2021-22 – the most by any player this season and three more than the next closest skater (**Connor McDavid**: 4). Thursday also marked Draisaitl's 55th career three-point game since entering the NHL in 2014-15, behind McDavid (76), **Patrick Kane** (59) and **Sidney Crosby** (57) for the most among all players over that span.

\* McDavid also continued his strong start to 2021-22 and extended his season-opening point streak to 12 games (9-15—24 in 12 GP). Additionally, he has collected at least one point in each of his last 20 regular-season games, the longest such run *spanning seasons or otherwise* since Colorado's **Nathan MacKinnon** (20 GP from March 24 – Nov. 1, 2019).

### **KINGS, DUCKS EXTEND NHL'S LONGEST ACTIVE WIN STREAKS**

The Kings (7-0-0 since Oct. 30) and Ducks (6-0-0 since Oct. 31) each extended the NHL's two longest active win streaks with victories over the Senators and Kraken, respectively. It marks the first time two California-based teams have had simultaneous win streaks of six or more games since 2014-15, when Anaheim (7 GP) and Los Angeles (6 GP) also shared streaks of at least six contests between Oct. 23-25, 2014.

\* **Jonathan Quick** (34 saves) recorded his 55th career shutout and **Anze Kopitar** (1-0—1) scored his 101st career power-play goal to lift the Kings (8-5-1, 17 points) to seven consecutive wins for the first time since closing the shortened 2019-20 campaign on an equal run (7-0-0 from Feb. 26 – March 11, 2020).






## MOST CAREER POWER-PLAY GOALS

▶ FRANCHISE HISTORY

PLAYER	GAMES	PPG
LUC ROBITAILLE	1,077	210
MARCEL DIONNE	921	172
DAVE TAYLOR	1,111	123
DUSTIN BROWN	1,246	105
ANZE KOPITAR	1,143	101
BERNIE NICHOLLS	602	100

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\* **Troy Terry** (2-1—3), who extended the [NHL's longest-active point streak](#) to 13 games, boosted his 2021-22 totals to 11-8—19 (14 GP) and trails only **Leon Draisaitl** (12-14—26 in 12 GP) in goals this season. Terry became the first player in Ducks history to produce at a goal-per-game pace through his first 11 contests of a season.



**Only 4 players in franchise history have scored 10 goals in fewer contests than Troy Terry (14 GP): Corey Perry (12 GP in 2014-15 & 13 GP in 2009-10), Steve Thomas (12 GP in 2002-03), Paul Kariya (12 GP in 1995-96) and Teemu Selanne (13 GP in 1997-98)**



### **AVALANCHE GOALS APLENTY IN #NHLSTATS: LIVE UPDATES**

Colorado, which joined Anaheim as another team to score [at least seven goals](#) in a game, benefited from **Mikko Rantanen's** 29th career three-point contest. [Click here](#) to read more notes just like this one from an 11-game Thursday slate in the latest edition of #NHLStats: Live Updates.

### **QUICK CLICKS**

- \* [Hall of Fame prepared to finally celebrate, enshrine Class of 2020](#)
- \* [Marian Hossa's journey to Hall of Fame defined by consistency, reliability](#)
- \* [Ken Holland persevered, adapted on way to Hockey Hall of Fame](#)
- \* [Rick Nash to have No. 61 retired by Blue Jackets on March 5](#)
- \* [Hockey Fights Cancer daily digest](#)



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### **BLUE JACKETS RETURN TO ACTION, WILL HOST HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER NIGHT**

The Blue Jackets (7-3-0, 14 points), playing their first contest in six days, are set to return to the ice to host their [Hockey Fights Cancer Awareness Night](#) when the Capitals (7-2-4, 18 points) visit Nationwide Arena.



# TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

7:00 PM ET		@		HULU, ESPN+, SN1
7:00 PM ET		@		SNW, TSN4
7:00 PM ET		@		BSSO, NBCSP
7:00 PM ET		@		BSOH, NBCSWA
8:30 PM ET		@		HULU, ESPN+



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#HockeyFightsCancer

\* The Blue Jackets, led by **Oliver Bjorkstrand** in 2021-22 thus far (5-8—13 in 10 GP), have overcome a third-period deficit to win each of their last three games ([Oct. 31 at NJD](#), [Nov. 3 at COL](#) & [Nov. 6 vs. COL](#)). Columbus can become the fourth team in NHL history to erase a third-period deficit to win four consecutive games. Pittsburgh (4 GP from Nov. 8-15, 2008), Dallas (4 GP from Jan. 25-30, 2006) and Carolina (4 GP from Oct. 26 – Nov. 3, 2005) all did so.

## **FLAMES VISIT MAPLE LEAFS IN HOCKEY HALL OF FAME GAME**

Hockey Hall of Fame [Induction Weekend](#) returns for the first time since 2019, opening with the Flames visiting the Maple Leafs in the Hockey Hall of Fame Game Friday at Scotiabank Arena (7 p.m. ET on SNW, TSN4) and closing with six new members being inducted to the Hall of Fame on Monday at Meridian Hall in Toronto (7:30 p.m. ET on NHL Network, TSN5).

\* The Hockey Hall of Fame Class of 20/21 includes five players: Flames icon and 600-goal member **Jarome Iginla**, three-time Stanley Cup champion and 500-goal scorer **Marian Hossa**, three-time Olympic gold medalist **Kim St-Pierre**, Norris Trophy winner **Doug Wilson** and six-time Stanley Cup champion **Kevin Lowe**. Additionally, current Oilers general manager **Ken Holland**, who helped Detroit capture multiple Stanley Cups and is one of five general managers in NHL history to reach 1,000+ wins, will be inducted as a builder.



# 20/21 INDUCTION CELEBRATION

