



NHL MORNING SKATE – NOV. 20, 2021



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Saturday, November 20, 2021


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- ▶ Makar leads Avalanche to fourth straight win
- ▶ Burroughs scores first NHL goal with hometown Canucks
- ▶ Seven venues are set to host a Hockey Fights Cancer night

* **Cale Makar** recorded a three-point outing as the Avalanche scored seven goals – tied for their highest total this season – on the way to their fourth straight win, outscoring opponents 24-8 over that span.

* **Kyle Burroughs** (Vancouver, B.C.) scored his first career NHL goal in his hometown to help the Canucks earn their first win against the Jets at home since Dec. 20, 2016.

* Scotiabank Arena will be one of seven venues lit in lavender Saturday as the streaking Maple Leafs host **Sidney Crosby** and the Penguins on Hockey Night in Canada, while UBS Arena officially opens its doors when the Islanders contest their home opener after a lengthy road trip to start the season.



FRIDAY'S RESULTS

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COLORADO SCORES SEVEN IN SEATTLE, WIN FOURTH STRAIGHT

Cale Makar led all skaters with 2-1—3 Friday as Colorado scored seven goals in its first visit to Seattle. The Avalanche won their fourth consecutive game and have outscored their opponents 24-8 over that span.

* Makar (5-8—13), who trails only Predators captain **Roman Josi** (6-10—16) for the most goals by a defenseman this season, recorded the third multi-goal game of his career. Only two blueliners in Avalanche/Nordiques history have more: **Sandis Ozolinsh** (8) and **Tyson**

Barrie (6).



 AVALANCHE

Most three-point games by a defenseman, Avalanche/Nordiques history:

- 17 - Tyson Barrie
- 11 - Sandis Ozolinsh
- 8 - Cale Makar
- 8 - John-Michael Liles

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BURROUGHS SCORES FIRST NHL GOAL

Kyle Burroughs (1-0—1), a Vancouver native, scored his first career NHL goal and **Thatcher Demko** (37 saves) made a [timely stop in the final seconds of regulation](#) to help the Canucks snap a five-game slide and earn their first win against the Jets at Rogers Arena since Dec. 20, 2016. Winnipeg had previously won its last eight contests versus Vancouver as visitors (WPG: 8-0-0, VAN: 0-7-1).

* Burroughs (Vancouver, B.C.), who signed with his hometown team as a free agent on July 28, grew up a Canucks fan and would pretend to be the West Coast Express line of **Markus Naslund, Brendan Morrison** and **Todd Bertuzzi** as he played mini sticks in his basement as a child. In minor hockey, he would don the No. 7 after Morrison.



It's exciting. Everything through signing here and coming here has been full circle. There are a lot of happy people in Langley, B.C. (suburb of Vancouver) right now.



KYLE BURROUGHS
VANCOUVER CANUCKS

TEAM TRANS, USA HOCKEY SLED CLASSIC SET FOR WEEKEND

Team Trans, the first entirely transgender sports team in the United States, will take to the ice for the Madison Gay Hockey Association Friendship Series this weekend in Middleton, Wisconsin, while the 11th USA Hockey Sled Classic, presented by the NHL, is currently underway at Ice Vault Arena in Wayne, New Jersey.

* [Team Trans](#) has travelled from all over the United States, Canada and Japan, with all travel fees paid for by donations, including one from the NHL. Team Trans played its initial games together in 2019 in a Friendship Series against Boston Pride, an LGBTQ hockey team, after meeting for the first time before the game.

Team Trans has 55 players who have played already or will this weekend, ranging from novice to advanced, and its Facebook group has 200 members, a number that greatly expanded after the first series.



* [The 11th USA Hockey Sled Classic](#) is a four-day event (Nov. 18–21) that will be hosted by the Devils for the first time and will feature more than 600 participants. Each of the 27 teams in the round-robin tournament is affiliated with one of 17 NHL teams, some of which have more than one entry. Fans attending the games Saturday will be able to see the Stanley Cup and other NHL trophies at Ice Vault Arena.



NHL PODCASTS WEEKLY ROUNDUP

- * [Fantasy on Ice \(Nov. 15\): Best pickups entering the week with James Harding](#)
- * [The Chirp \(Nov. 16\): Guest Erin Andrews discusses her clothing line and more](#)
- * [Soul on Ice \(Nov. 17\): Season Four Premiere](#)
- * [NHL @TheRink \(Nov. 17\): Cam Fowler, Emerson Etem talk streaking Ducks](#)
- * [Fantasy on Ice \(Nov. 18\): Week 6 rankings with Sportsnet's Nick Alberga](#)

QUICK CLICKS

- * [NHLStats: Live Updates from Nov. 19](#)
- * [Senators-Devils game originally scheduled for Nov. 16 now scheduled for Dec. 6](#)
- * [Jeff Blashill gives inside look at in-depth use of analytics for Red Wings](#)
- * [Kevin Labanc suspended one game for actions in Sharks game](#)
- * [Unmasked: Inexperienced goalies getting chance in NHL](#)

SATURDAY TO FEATURE SEVEN HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER NIGHTS

Seven venues are set to host a Hockey Fights Cancer night Saturday, including three that will be broadcast nationally as part of Hockey Night in Canada.

HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER **TODAY'S SCHEDULE** SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

4:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSSUN, NHLN, MSG+, SN	4:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSSO, BSW
6:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSWI+, BSN, BSFL	7:00 PM ET	 @ 	CBC, SN1, SNO, SNP, ATTSN-PT, NHLN
7:00 PM ET	 @ 	TVAS, CITY, SNE, BSSO	7:00 PM ET	 @ 	MSG+ 2, MSG+, SNW
7:00 PM ET	 @ 	NBCSP, NESN	8:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSMW, BSSW
8:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSDET, BSAZ	10:00 PM ET	 @ 	CBC, SN, CITY, NBCSCH
10:00 PM ET	 @ 	BSOH, ATTSN-RM	10:30 PM ET	 @ 	NBCSWA, NBCSCA

Stream on ESPN+ and NHL LIVE. Blackouts and other restrictions apply.

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ICYMI: DOMINIC MOORE, STANLEY CUP VISITED HOPE LODGE IN NEW YORK

Hockey Fights Cancer Ambassador **Dominic Moore** and the Stanley Cup [visited American Cancer Society Hope Lodge in New York City](#), which provides a place to stay for cancer patients and their families while they are going through treatment. The support from NHL's Hockey Fights Cancer program has helped fund over 500,000 nights for cancer patients in Hope Lodges across the U.S.



ISLANDERS CONTEST HOME OPENER AT UBS ARENA

UBS Arena will officially open its doors Saturday when the Islanders contest their home opener after embarking on a 13-game road trip to start the season, the longest such run by a team in NHL history. The Islanders have an all-time record of 28-14-6 in home openers.

* The Islanders, who contested 1,870 games at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum and 161 at Barclays Center, will play their first at UBS Arena which will become the ninth different venue in the New York metropolitan area to host at least one NHL game (regular season or playoffs).

* NHL Commissioner **Gary Bettman** [attended a ribbon-cutting ceremony](#) at UBS Arena Friday to officially signify the opening of the League's newest facility. (Photo: @NYIslanders)



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