

NHL MORNING SKATE – JAN. 14, 2022

MATTHEWS, MacKINNON, OVECHKIN, McDAVID VOTED ALL-STAR CAPTAINS

The four divisional rosters for the [2022 Honda NHL All-Star Weekend](#), including fan-voted captains **Auston Matthews** (Atlantic), **Nathan MacKinnon** (Central), **Alex Ovechkin** (Metropolitan) and **Connor McDavid** (Pacific), were unveiled live on ESPN's SportsCenter and on Sportsnet's Hockey Central.

 ROSTERS			
ATLANTIC	CENTRAL	METROPOLITAN	PACIFIC
 F PATRICE BERGERON	 F CLAYTON KELLER	 G FREDERIK ANDERSEN	 G JOHN GIBSON
 D RASMUS DAHLIN	 F ALEX DEBRINCAT	 F SEBASTIAN AHO	 F JOHNNY GAUDREAU
 F DYLAN LARKIN	 F NATHAN MACKINNON (C)	 D ZACH WERENSKI	 F CONNOR McDAVID (C)
 F JONATHAN HUBERDEAU	 D CALE MAKAR	 F JACK HUGHES	 F LEON DRAISAITL
 F NICK SUZUKI	 F JOE PAVELSKI	 D ADAM PELECH	 F ADRIAN KEMPE
 F DRAKE BATHERSON	 F KIRILL KAPRIZOV	 D ADAM FOX	 F TIMO MEIER
 D VICTOR HEDMAN	 G CAM TALBOT	 F CHRIS KREIDER	 F JORDAN EBERLE
 G ANDREI VASILEVSKIY	 G JUSSE SAROS	 F CLAUDE GIROUX	 G THATCHER DEMKO
 F AUSTON MATTHEWS (C)	 F JORDAN KYROU	 G TRISTAN JARRY	 D ALEX PIETRANGELO
 G JACK CAMPBELL	 F KYLE CONNOR	 F ALEX OVECHKIN (C)	 F MARK STONE

* Thursday's announcement also marked the launch of the 2022 NHL All-Star Last Men In, which will give fans the ability to vote for the final player on each All-Star roster. Voting now is open at [NHL.com/lastmenin](https://www.nhl.com/lastmenin) and closes Monday, Jan. 17, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

* ICYMI: After setting a Maple Leafs [franchise record](#) in Arizona on Wednesday, [Matthews joined The Point on ESPN](#) (from a golf course in his home state) to discuss his excitement for the festivities in Las Vegas.

* The League also unveiled the jerseys the 44 players will wear at the 66th NHL All-Star Game in just over three weeks (Saturday, Feb. 5 at 3 p.m. ET, ABC, Sportsnet, TVA Sports).

* Other events happening at All-Star Weekend next month in Las Vegas include 2022 NHL All-Star Skills presented by DraftKings Sportsbook on Friday, Feb. 4 (7:30 p.m. ET, ESPN, Sportsnet, TVA Sports) and the 2022 Truly Hard Seltzer NHL Fan Fair – a four-day, 300,000-square foot family-friendly fan festival at Las Vegas Convention Center West Hall from Feb. 3-6. Tickets to NHL Fan Fair are available for purchase at [NHL.com/fanfair](https://www.nhl.com/fanfair) while supplies last.



VEGAS-BOUND ALL-STARS LEAD THE WAY

Many players headed for the 2022 Honda NHL All-Star Game next month found the score sheet during Thursday's 11-game slate, with some highlighted below.



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* **Andrei Vasilevskiy** (24 saves) and **Victor Hedman** (0-1—1) both contributed to Tampa Bay's win to help the Lightning (25-9-5, 55 points) surpass the idle Panthers (24-7-5, 53 points) for first place in the Atlantic Division. Vasilevskiy is set to make his fourth All-Star appearance, all since the introduction of the 3-on-3 format in 2016 – **Braden Holtby** (5) is the only goaltender with more in that span.

* After being named to his first NHL All-Star Game, **Kyle Connor** (1-1—2) tallied two points and reached the 20-goal mark for a fifth consecutive season. Connor (Shelby Township, Mich.) helped the Jets to victory in front of his family while playing in his home state for the first time since his father's death in August.

* **Chris Kreider** scored twice, including the game-winner while shorthanded, to reach 200 career goals just hours after being named to the All-Star Game alongside teammate **Adam Fox** (0-1—1). Kreider, who ranks second in the League with 12 power-play goals this season, notched the first shorthanded point of his NHL career (611 GP). Kreider is one of five players with at least [23 goals this season](#) – all of whom are All-Stars.

* **Drake Batherson** scored his 10th goal and team-leading 29th point of the season to help the Senators win in their first game since New Year's Day. Batherson shares the NHL lead with three four-point games this season (tied with **Leon Draisaitl**).

* **Adam Pelech** scored the second Islanders goal and his teammate **Mathew Barzal** – who is one of 32 players featured on the [Last Men In ballot](#) – scored the winner as New York claimed its third straight home win. Pelech is set to become the first Islanders defenseman to lace up in the All-Star Game since **Mark Streit** in 2009.

* **Jordan Kyrou**, who has found the score sheet in every contest since the calendar turned to 2022, notched an assist on the game-winning goal to extend his point streak to six games (5-7—12), matching his career-high achieved earlier this season. Kyrou has 23 points on tying or go-ahead goals this season, which trails only seven players in the NHL including four All-Stars.



MOST POINTS ON TYING GOALS OR GO-AHEAD GOALS
► 2021-22 SEASON

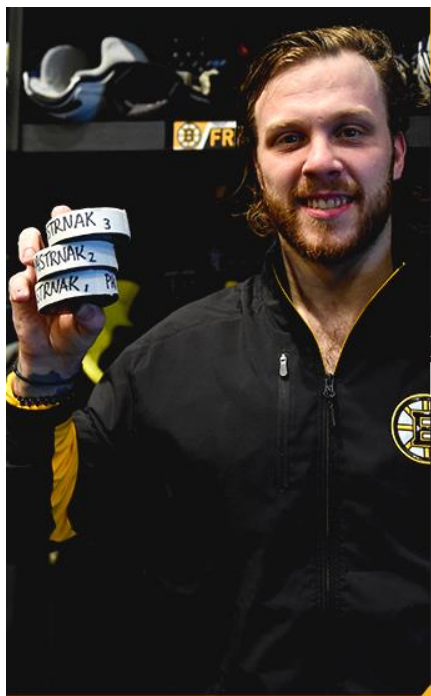
PLAYER	TEAM	PTS
LEON DRAISAITL*	EDM	28
CONNOR MCDAVID*	EDM	26
JONATHAN HUBERDEAU*	FLA	26
VICTOR HEDMAN*	TBL	25
JESPER BRATT	NJD	24
ARTEMI PANARIN	NYR	24
TROY TERRY	ANA	24
ALEX KILLORN	TBL	23
JORDAN KYROU*	STL	23
STEVEN STAMKOS	TBL	23

*NAMED TO 2022 NHL ALL-STAR GAME

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PASTRNAK'S HAT TRICK HELPS BRUINS WIN IN RASK'S RETURN

David Pastrnak (3-0—3) scored all three goals for the Bruins as they held off a Flyers comeback attempt and earned their NHL-best seventh win of 2022. **Tuukka Rask** (25 saves) claimed the victory in his first NHL game since June 9, 2021 (a span of 218 days). Pastrnak scored two of his three goals on the powerplay to bring his career total to 75, surpassing **Bobby Orr** (74) for eighth place in [franchise history](#).



TEAMMATES TO SCORE A HAT TRICK ON CONSECUTIVE DAYS

► FRANCHISE HISTORY

PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	DATES
BRAD MARCHAND	DAVID PASTRNAK	JAN. 12-13, 2022
PETER MCNAB	BARRY PEDERSON	APRIL 3-4, 1982
WAYNE CARLETON	PHIL ESPOSITO	APRIL 3-4, 1971
BOBBY ORR	PHIL ESPOSITO	DEC. 14-15, 1968
BILL COWLEY	HERB CAIN	MARCH 4-5, 1944

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KOPITAR, DURZI EACH NET THREE POINTS AS KINGS CLAIM THIRD STRAIGHT

Kings captain **Anze Kopitar** (2-1—3) and rookie **Sean Durzi** (1-2—3) each contributed in a third period that saw Los Angeles score four unanswered goals – including two in a span of 10 seconds and three in 1:23 – en route to victory. The Kings (19-13-5, 43 points) claimed their third straight win, all at home, and currently sit in third place in the Pacific Division after missing the postseason in each of the last three campaigns.

* Kopitar notched his [40th career multi-goal game](#) while longtime teammate **Dustin Brown** (1-1—2) joined him and five others on the list of players to collect [700 career points for Los Angeles](#).



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Sean Durzi (1-2-3) became the fifth Kings rookie defenseman in over 28 years to record three points in a game. He joined Derek Forbort, Jake Muzzin, Slava Voynov and Lubomir Visnovsky.

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VISRAM MAKES HISTORY BEHIND KINGS BENCH AS FIRST FEMALE TRAINER

Aisha Visram became the first woman to work an NHL game behind the bench in any capacity when she served as an athletic trainer for the Kings on Thursday, according to the Professional Hockey Athletic Trainers Society. Visram is the [head athletic trainer of the AHL's Ontario Reign](#) and previously worked with the ECHL's Adirondack Thunder as well as in the NCAA with St. Lawrence University.



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The @LAKings are proud to have Aisha Visram, head athletic trainer of the @ontarioreign, serving on the bench as an athletic trainer tonight. According to @PHATS_SPHEM, Aisha is believed to be the first female to work a regular-season @NHL game behind the bench in any capacity.



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FROM TWITTER

QUICK CLICKS

- * [Chris Wideman](#) suspended one game for actions in Canadiens game
- * [Eric Staal](#) signs professional tryout contract with Wild AHL affiliate
- * Canucks Assistant Equipment Manager “Red”, [Nadia](#) featured on The Kelly Clarkson Show
- * CBS Mornings profiles [Willie O'Ree](#) ahead of his jersey retirement on Jan. 18
- * [#NHLStats Live Updates: Thursday, Jan. 13](#)

TOP HOME TEAMS LOOK TO SEND FANS INTO WEEKEND WITH A WIN

Florida (.864) and Colorado (.853) rank first and second in home points percentage and enter Friday with five and 12-game home win streaks, respectively. The Avalanche's 12-game home winning streak is the longest by any team this season, one ahead of the Panthers' season-opening 11-game run. Minnesota (.767 P%; 5th), meanwhile, is 7-2-1 in its last 10 games on home ice.



TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 2022

7:00 PM ET		@		BSFL, BSSW+, NHLN, SN, TVAS
8:00 PM ET		@		BSSD, BSWI+, BSN, BSSC
9:00 PM ET		@		BSAZ+, ALT



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