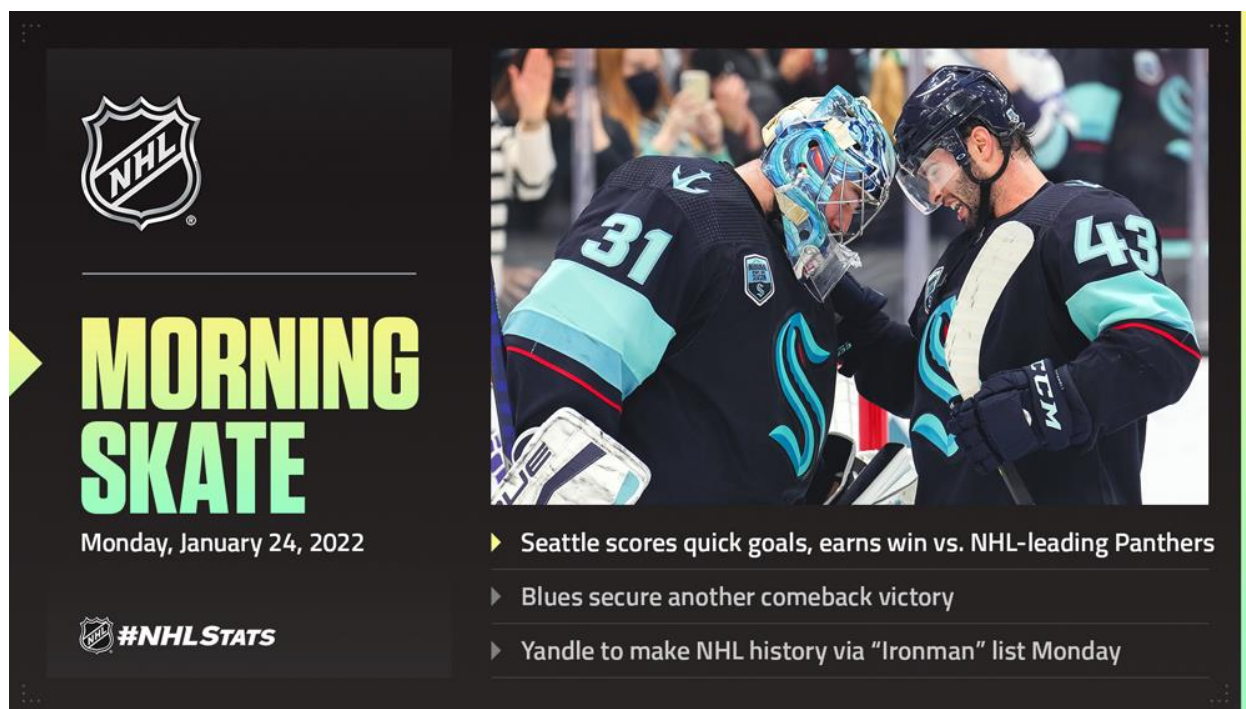


NHL MORNING SKATE – JAN. 24, 2022



MORNING SKATE
Monday, January 24, 2022

#NHLSTATS

- ▶ Seattle scores quick goals, earns win vs. NHL-leading Panthers
- ▶ Blues secure another comeback victory
- ▶ Yandle to make NHL history via “Ironman” list Monday

* **Keith Yandle**, who has not missed a game in over 12 years, is expected to skate in his 964th consecutive game Monday, which would tie **Doug Jarvis** (964 GP) for the longest “Ironman” streak in NHL history.

* The Kraken earned a win against the League-leading Panthers – and scored two goals in a 17-second span – to sweep their two-game season series.

* **Vladimir Tarasenko** recorded a point in his ninth straight appearance as the Blues (25-11-5, 55 points) earned their NHL-leading 15th comeback win of the season and moved into second place in the Central Division.

YANDLE SET TO MATCH “IRONMAN” MARK MONDAY

Keith Yandle, who has not missed a game in over 12 years, is expected to skate in his 964th consecutive contest when Philadelphia hosts Dallas. In doing so, Yandle would tie **Doug Jarvis** (964 GP) for the [longest “Ironman” streak](#) in NHL history. Should he continue his run, Yandle will overtake Jarvis for sole possession of the League record one night later when the Flyers visit the Islanders Tuesday.



TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022

7:00 PM ET		@		BSSD, BSSC, NESN
7:00 PM ET		@		BSW, MSG+
7:00 PM ET		@		BSSW, NBCSP
7:00 PM ET		@		NHLN, NBCSWA, ATTSN-RM, TVAS
8:00 PM ET		@		BSWI, BSN, SN, RDS
9:00 PM ET		@		NBCSCH+, ALT
9:00 PM ET		@		SN1, BSMW



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

OVECHKIN, KREIDER CONTINUE RACE TO 30 GOALS

Capitals forward **Alex Ovechkin** (29-29—58) and Rangers forward **Chris Kreider** (29-13—42), who are tied for the NHL lead in goals, will continue their race to 30 tallies when they each make home appearances Monday. In just a couple of weeks, the two League leaders will get the chance to play alongside one another while representing their team on the [Metropolitan Division roster](#) for the 2022 Honda NHL All-Star Game.

* Ovechkin sits one marker shy of his 16th career 30-goal season – the [only player with more](#) is Hall of Fame forward **Mike Gartner** (17). Ovechkin has been the first player to 30 goals in a season five of the 15 times he has reached the benchmark.

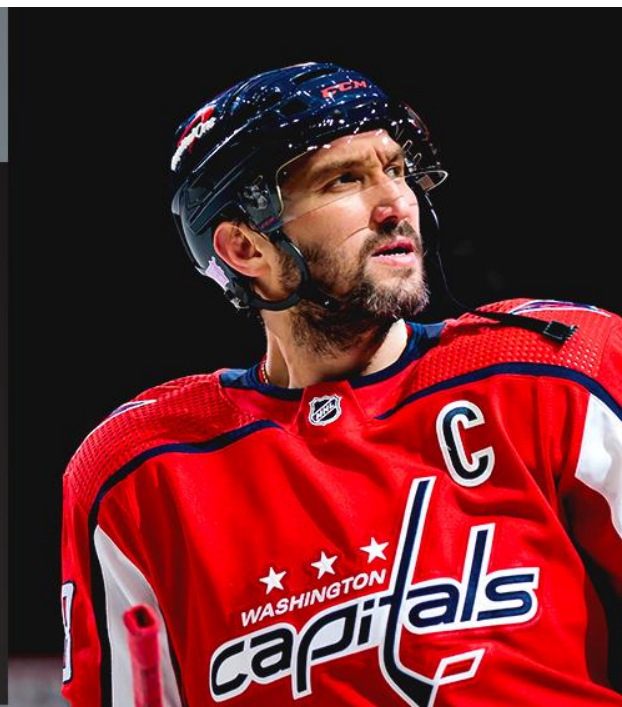


Most seasons as first player to 30 goals, NHL history:

- 7 - Bobby Hull
- 5 - Alex Ovechkin
- 5 - Phil Esposito
- 5 - Maurice Richard

* Ovechkin is in the running for a 6th season in 2021-22

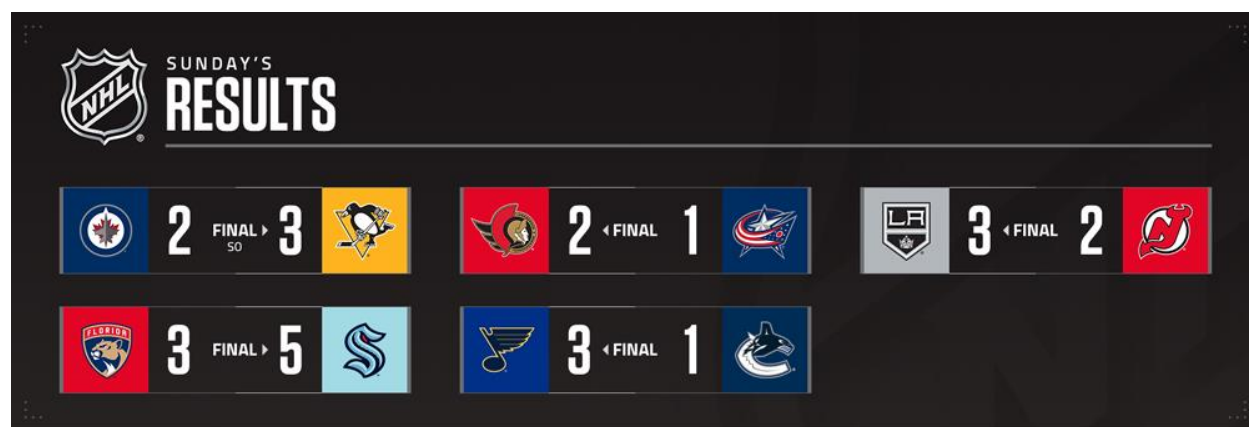
#NHLSTATS



* Kreider, meanwhile, is on the verge of the first 30-goal campaign of his 10-season career after surpassing his previous career high with a hat trick Saturday (28 in 2018-19 and 2016-17). No Rangers player in the modern era (since 1943-44) has led the League in goals at season's end – the most recent player in franchise history to do so was **Lynn Patrick** in 1941-42.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

The Kraken (13-24-4, 30 points) closed out the weekend with a win over the NHL-leading Panthers (28-9-5, 61 points) on a five-game Sunday.

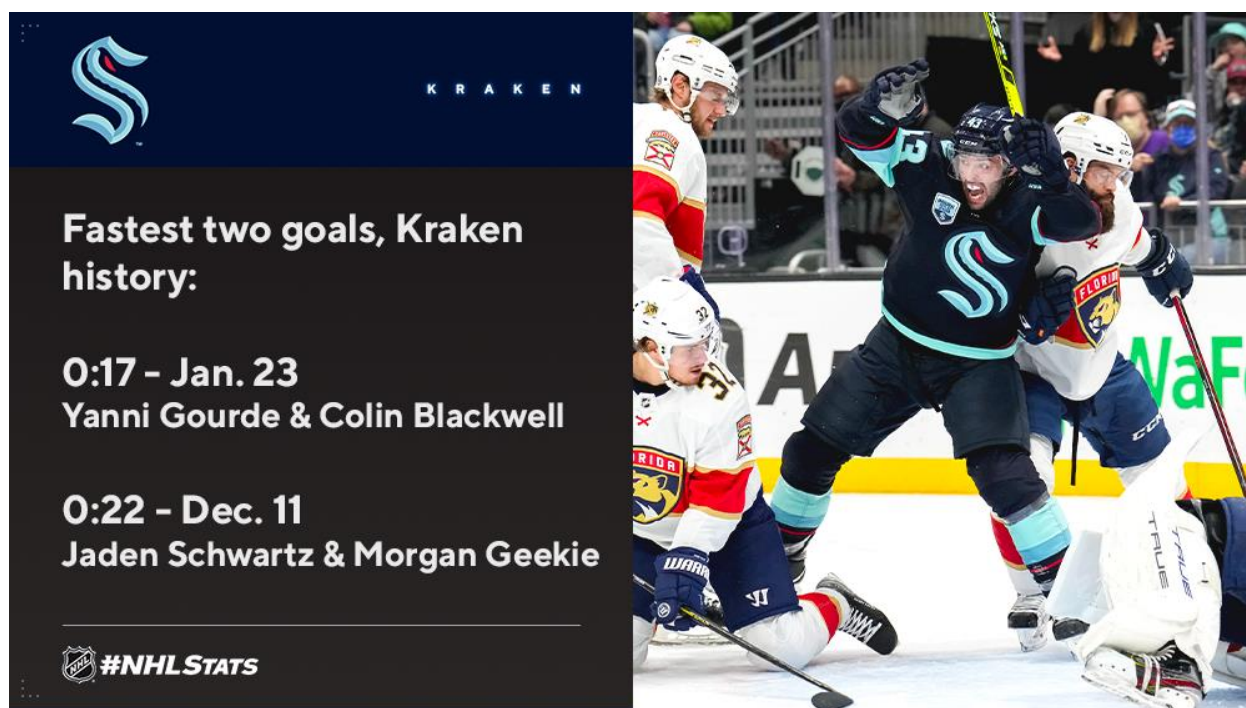


FAST GOALS PROPEL PENGUINS, KRAKEN TO VICTORY

The Penguins and the Kraken both benefitted from quick goals Sunday as each club skated to their respective victories:

* After Saturday saw an NHL record-tying five teams post multi-goal comeback wins, the Penguins followed suit Sunday with a third-period multi-goal comeback victory of their own. **Kasper Kapanen** and **Jeff Carter** scored [nine seconds apart](#) in the final frame to help Pittsburgh (26-10-5, 57 points) earn its seventh straight victory at home – their longest such run since 2017-18 (11 GP).

* Twelve different Kraken players found the score sheet Sunday, including **Yanni Gourde** and **Colin Blackwell** who scored 17 seconds apart, while **Philipp Grubauer** (28 saves) held the NHL's highest-scoring team to three goals as the Kraken (13-24-4, 30 points) earned a win against the League-leading Panthers (28-9-5, 61 points). Seattle swept its two-game season series against Florida after halting the Panthers' [home win streak to start 2021-22 at an NHL-record 11 games](#) (also 11 GP for CHI in 1963-64) in their first-ever match up.



Fastest two goals, Kraken history:

0:17 - Jan. 23
Yanni Gourde & Colin Blackwell

0:22 - Dec. 11
Jaden Schwartz & Morgan Geekie

#NHLSTATS

BLUES MOUNT ANOTHER COMEBACK WITH WIN IN VANCOUVER

Vladimir Tarasenko (0-2—2) found the score sheet in his ninth straight appearance (6-9—15) and **Ville Husso** (38 saves) extended his win streak to five games (1.20 GAA, .963 SV%, 1 SO) as St. Louis (25-11-5, 55 points) earned its NHL-leading 15th comeback win of the season. The victory vaulted the Blues, who are 6-1-0 in their last seven games, past the idle Predators (26-14-3, 55 points) and into second place in the Central Division.



The Blues have earned 14 wins this season when allowing the first goal of the game - the most in the NHL and three more than the next closest team (NYR: 11)

#NHLSTATS



COLOR OF HOCKEY: JAPANESE-BORN HIRANO SCORES FIRST AHL GOAL

Yushiroh Hirano made history this weekend as he became the first Japanese-born player to score a goal in the American Hockey League on Saturday, [according to the AHL's Abbotsford Canucks](#). Hirano hopes to build on the legacy of players of Japanese heritage that includes 2017 Hockey Hall of Fame inductee **Paul Kariya**, Canadiens forward **Nick Suzuki** and Oilers forward **Kailer Yamamoto**. Read more about Hirano in his [Color of Hockey feature](#).



QUICK CLICKS

- * [A statement from the National Hockey League](#)
- * [Alex Ovechkin](#) having fun in 17th NHL season
- * [Keith Yandle](#) cites 'love for the game' in pursuit of NHL ironman record
- * [Bruce Boudreau](#) talks reaching 1,000 NHL games, Canucks in sit-down with NHL.com
- * [Emergency goalie Rylan Toth](#) backs up for Canucks against Blues