

NHL MORNING SKATE – FEB 22, 2022



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- ▶ Flames win 10th straight to conclude perfect homestand
- ▶ Hurricanes stretch Metropolitan Division lead to four points
- ▶ Caufield leads Canadiens to third consecutive victory

* **Elias Lindholm** and the Flames each matched franchise records as they concluded a seven-game homestand with a perfect 7-0-0 record to achieve an NHL first.

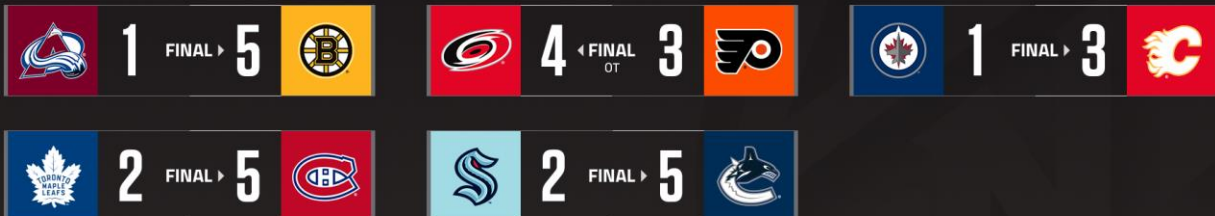
* **Frederik Andersen** backed the Hurricanes to a third straight win as they opened the largest lead atop the Metropolitan Division in more than three months.

* Playing in front of more than 10,000 fans at Bell Centre – a first since early December – **Cole Caufield** helped the Canadiens claim their third straight win.

* **Kwame Mason** and **Nathaniel Brooks** [joined Rogers Hometown Hockey](#) on Monday to discuss NHL Bound. Directed by Mason, the four-part series chronicles the participation of Brooks and **Duante' Abercrombie** in the Coyotes' first-ever coaching internship program, dedicated to creating a deeper pool of diverse talent. Episodes 1 and 2 are available at [YouTube.com/NHL](https://www.youtube.com/NHL).



MONDAY'S RESULTS




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DIVISION LEADERS CREATE SPACE WITH LATE-GAME HEROICS

The top-ranked Flames (30-13-6, 66 points) and Hurricanes (35-11-4, 74 points) each scored in the final minute of play to claim victories and pad their respective division leads.

* **Elias Lindholm** scored the go-ahead, game-winning goal with 47 seconds left in regulation to match the franchise record for [longest goal streak](#), help the Flames equal the [longest winning streak in club history](#), extend their [home winning streak](#) to 10 games and become the first team in NHL history to sweep a homestand of seven or more contests.



LONGEST HOMESTANDS WITHOUT A REGULATION LOSS
▶ NHL HISTORY

TEAM	SEASON	RECORD	GP
CAROLINA HURRICANES	2002-03	4-0-5	9
LOS ANGELES KINGS	1973-74	7-0-2	9
DALLAS STARS	2003-04	7-0-1	8
CALGARY FLAMES	2021-22	7-0-0	7
ST. LOUIS BLUES	2014-15	6-0-1	7
SAN JOSE SHARKS	2012-13	6-0-1	7
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS	2012-13	6-0-1	7
FLORIDA PANTHERS	2007-08	6-0-1	7
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS	1998-99	5-0-2	7
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS	1969-70	5-0-2	7
NEW YORK RANGERS	1969-70	4-0-3	7

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* **Brett Pesce** scored with 18 seconds left in overtime and **Frederik Andersen** made 38 saves as the Hurricanes withstood a trio of tying goals by the Flyers to claim their third straight win. Andersen moved into sole possession of the League lead in wins (27) as he aims to become the first goaltender in franchise history to top the NHL in that category at the end of a season.

* This is the first time since early November that a No. 1 seed in the Metropolitan Division has held a lead of four points or more, and just the third day all season that has been the case – Carolina accounts for each of those dates (also four-point edge Nov. 3 and Nov. 4).

METROPOLITAN DIVISION STANDINGS

THROUGH FEBRUARY 21, 2022

1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH
			
CAROLINA HURRICANES	PITTSBURGH PENGUINS	NEW YORK RANGERS	WASHINGTON CAPITALS
74 PTS	70 PTS	69 PTS	65 PTS

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CANADIENS WELCOME BACK MORE FANS WITH FIVE-GOAL SHOWING AGAINST TORONTO

Playing in front of more than 500 fans at Bell Centre for the first time since Dec. 9, the Canadiens wowed the crowd of 10,552 by opening a 5-0 lead with help from **Cole Caufield** (1-2—3) and **Josh Anderson** (2-1—3) en route to their third consecutive victory.

* Caufield continued his strong scoring stretch since **Martin St. Louis** took over as interim head coach Feb. 10, boosting his totals to 5-3—8 (6 GP) – the most goals and points among Canadiens players during that span. The 21-year-old has doubled his 2021-22 points total in the past six games after registering 1-7—8 through 30 contests before the coaching change.

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GIORDANO CLIMBS SHORTHANDED GOALS LIST, MOVES CLOSER TO 1,000 GAMES

Monday's [#NHLStats: Live Updates](#) included a note on Kraken captain **Mark Giordano**, who notched his 11th career shorthanded goal as he nears 1,000 career regular-season games. Giordano's tally was one of two notable first-period markers in Monday's finale after Vancouver's **Tyler Motte** scored the fastest opening goal in a game this season (11 seconds).





MOST CAREER SHORTHANDED GOALS AMONG DEFENSEMEN

▶ TRACKED SINCE 1933-34

DEFENSEMEN	GP	SHG
MARK HOWE	929	28
PAUL COFFEY	1,409	20
RAY BOURQUE	1,612	16
BOBBY ORR	657	16
CHRIS CHELIOS	1,651	13
RED KELLY*	846	12
MARK GIORDANO	995	11

*ONLY COUNTS TIME W/ DET FOR RED KELLY (I.E., GP AS D)

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BLACK HOCKEY HISTORY SPOTLIGHT: DEBBIE MONTGOMERY

Debbie Montgomery is a co-founder of the Mariucci Inner City Hockey Starter Association, a program in St. Paul, Minn., designed to expose urban youth to the sport of hockey. In addition to being the hockey matriarch of her family and co-founder of the program, Montgomery was the first woman officer of the St. Paul police department and the first Black woman elected to St. Paul city council in 2004.

* [CLICK HERE](#) for **William Douglas**' profile on Montgomery in The Color of Hockey blog.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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The Mariucci Inner City Hockey Starter Association, co-founded by **Debbie Montgomery**, has exposed Black players across Minnesota to the game of hockey. Former NHL players, including Tony McKegney, would occasionally skate with the kids and in 1993, George H.W. Bush singled out the program as part of his daily "Points of Light" campaign that honored volunteerism in America.

QUICK CLICKS

- * [Elias Lindholm, Aaron Ekblad, Jake Oettinger](#) named "Three Stars of the Week"
- * [NHL.com ranks Top 10 moments in Stadium Series history](#)
- * [VIDEO: The 2022 NHL All-Star All Access Show](#)
- * [Zdeno Chara](#) to tie **Chris Chelios** for most NHL games played by defenseman
- * [David Pastrnak](#) scores two, **Bruins** top **Avalanche**

PANTHERS AIM TO WIN 10 STRAIGHT AT HOME FOR SECOND TIME IN 2021-22

The Atlantic Division-leading Panthers (35-10-5, 75 points) will look to extend their home winning streak to 10 games when they host the Predators (28-18-4, 60 points) at FLA Live Arena. It would mark Florida's [second home winning streak of at least 10 games](#) in 2021-22 – only two teams in NHL history have posted multiple double-digit home win streaks in one season: Detroit in 1995-96 (12 GP & 12 GP) and Montreal in 1955-56 (11 GP & 10 GP).



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TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022

7:00 PM ET		@		BSSO, BSFL, SNP, SNW, SNE, SN1
7:00 PM ET		@		BSOH, SNO
7:00 PM ET		@		TVAS, TSN5, BSN, BSWI+
7:00 PM ET		@		BSMW, NBCSP
10:00 PM ET		@		BSSD, BSSC, NBCSCA, SN1, SN
10:00 PM ET		@		HULU, ESPN+



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