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MARNER, MARKSTROM AND LAINE NAMED NHL 'THREE STARS' FOR FEBRUARY

NEW YORK (March 1, 2022) – Toronto Maple Leafs right wing **Mitchell Marner**, Calgary Flames goaltender **Jacob Markstrom** and Columbus Blue Jackets left wing **Patrik Laine** have been named the NHL's "Three Stars" for the month of February.

FIRST STAR – MITCHELL MARNER, RW, TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS

Marner led the NHL in goals (t-9), assists (14) and points (23) across 12 games to help the Maple Leafs (35-14-4, 74 points) go 7-4-1 in February and move into a tie – *in terms of points* – for second place in the Atlantic Division. Marner found the scoresheet in eight of his 12 appearances, highlighted by seven multi-point performances and four outings with at least three points. That included career highs of four goals and six points Feb. 26 at DET (4-2—6) – the most goals and points in a game by a Toronto player since [March 25, 2019 \(John Tavares\)](#) and [April 11, 2006 \(Mats Sundin\)](#), respectively. Marner recorded two other multi-goal games during the month: Feb. 1 at NJD (2-2—4) and Feb. 7 vs. CAR (2-1—3), with the latter featuring his second career overtime goal (also Feb. 1, 2020 vs. OTT). The 24-year-old Markham, Ont., native – who ranked [72nd in League scoring entering February](#) (12-21—33 in 32 GP) – now sits 14th in the Art Ross Trophy race with 21-35—56 in 44 total contests this season.

SECOND STAR – JACOB MARKSTROM, G, CALGARY FLAMES

Markstrom topped the NHL with eight wins in 10 starts, going 8-1-0 with a 2.04 goals-against average, .929 save percentage and one shutout to lift the Flames (31-14-6, 68 points) from fourth to first in the Pacific Division via a 10-1-0 February. Markstrom yielded two or fewer goals in seven of his 10 outings, highlighted by his League-leading eighth shutout of the season Feb. 9 vs. VGK (28 SV) – two shy of [the franchise record established by Miikka Kiprusoff in 2005-06](#) (10). He also made a season-high 46 saves (on 48 shots) Feb. 10 vs. TOR, three off of his personal best achieved Dec. 28, 2019 vs. LAK and Feb. 12, 2020 vs. CHI ([both w/ VAN](#)). The 32-year-old Gävle, Sweden, native has compiled a 24-11-5 record through 41 total appearances this season, ranking among the NHL leaders in shutouts (1st; 8), goals-against average (5th; 2.13), save percentage (5th; .925) and wins (8th; 24).

THIRD STAR – PATRIK LAINE, LW, COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS

Laine shared the League lead with nine goals and three game-winning goals in 10 outings (9-6—15) to power the Blue Jackets (27-25-1, 55 points) to a 7-3-0 February. All of Laine's points came during an eight-game run to open the month, which extended his overall point streak to 11 contests dating to Jan. 27 (13-8—21). Laine's February performance included three multi-goal games, highlighted by his ninth career hat trick and 23rd career game-winning goal Feb. 17 at CHI (3-0—3). Laine added two other decisive tallies: Feb. 12 at MTL (1-1—2) and Feb. 22 vs. TOR (2-0—2), with the latter serving as his third overtime goal and sixth game-winning goal of the season ([t-1st](#) and [t-5th](#) in the NHL, respectively). The 23-year-old Tampere, Finland, native has played in 34 of Columbus' 53 total contests in 2021-22, leading the team with 1.06 points per game while ranking third overall with 19-17—36.

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