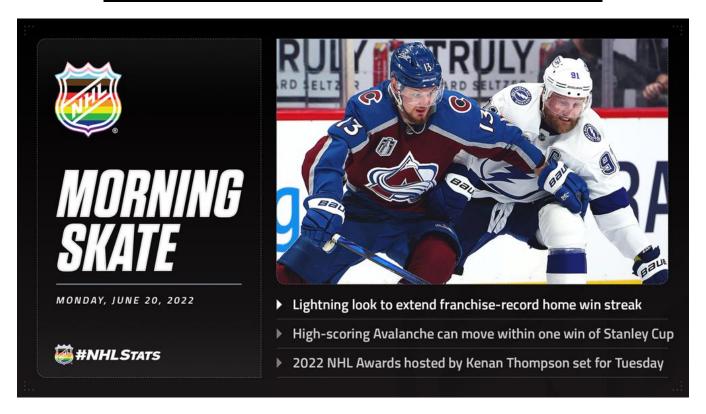
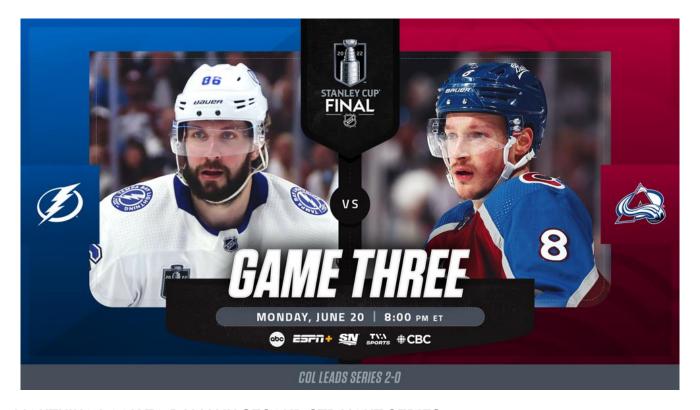
NHL MORNING SKATE: STANLEY CUP FINAL EDITION – JUNE 20, 2022



- * The 2022 Stanley Cup Final shifts to Tampa as the Avalanche, who have tallied 11 goals through the first two games, will look to move within one win of the championship.
- * To three-peat, the Lightning will have to become the first team in NHL history to overcome a 2-0 series deficit to win back-to-back best-of-seven matchups.
- * The 2022 NHL Awards, hosted by Emmy Award-winning actor **Kenan Thompson**, will be broadcast live Tuesday (7 p.m. ET on ESPN, SN, TVAS) and will originate from Armature Works in Tampa. Five remaining awards will be presented: the Hart Trophy, Vezina Trophy, Norris Trophy, Calder Trophy and Ted Lindsay Award.





LIGHTNING LOOK TO RALLY IN SECOND STRAIGHT SERIES

The two-time defending champion Lightning will look to climb back into the 2022 Stanley Cup Final as the series shifts to AMALIE Arena for Game 3. Tampa Bay, which was held off the score sheet in Game 2 for the first time since their opening game of the postseason, is 8-4 all-time in the postseason after being shut out in the previous contest and is currently riding a franchise-record seven-game home winning streak.

- * The Lightning will aim to become the third team in the past decade, and second this season, to record eight straight home wins in the postseason. They would join the 2022 Rangers (8 GP) and 2013 Kings (8 GP).
- * Andrei Vasilevskiy, who gave up a postseason career-high seven goals Saturday, will look to bounce back on home ice where he boasts a 7-1 record this postseason. Vasilevskiy is 19-13-1 in his career after allowing five-plus goals in the previous game, including a 4-2 record in the postseason.
- * After losing twice on the road to open the Eastern Conference Final, the Lightning reeled off four straight wins to reach the Stanley Cup Final. To claim another title, they now will have to become the first team in NHL history to overcome a 2-0 series deficit to win in consecutive rounds.
- * Should Tampa Bay come back to win, they would become the sixth team in Stanley Cup Final history to rally from a 2-0 series deficit to win the series and first since the 2011 Bruins.



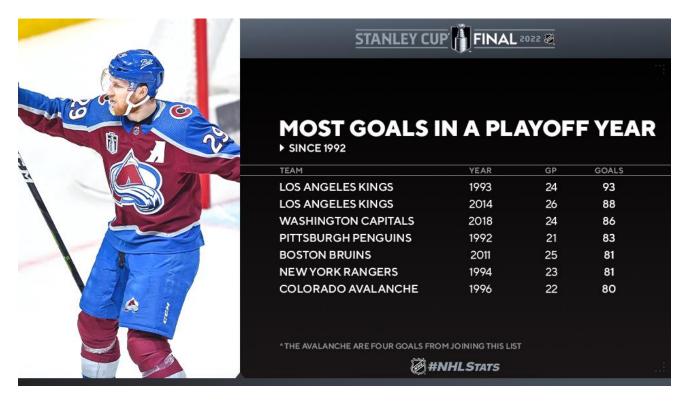


AVALANCHE HEAD TO TAMPA WITH MOUNTAIN OF GOALS

After scoring 11 goals across two games in Denver, the Avalanche head to Tampa looking to become the second team in as many years to take a 3-0 series lead in the Stanley Cup Final. A total of 15 players have found the score sheet for Colorado, including goal production from seven different skaters.

- * The Avalanche sit two wins from a championship, with only two losses to date this postseason (14-2 in 16 GP). They tied the NHL benchmark for fastest to 14 wins in one playoff year, joining the 2012 Kings, 1988 Oilers, 1987 Oilers and 1981 Islanders who all started 14-2 en route to a Cup.
- * Since 1987 when all rounds became best-of-seven, only one team has finished a postseason with fewer than four losses: the 1988 Oilers, who went 16-2 plus their no-decision in the suspended game during the Final (which was tied 3-3 when called), en route to their fourth championship in five years.
- * Colorado has scored 76 goals in 16 games this postseason (4.75 G/GP), including 12 contests with four or more tallies goals. Their goals-per-game rate currently ranks <u>fifth in Stanley Cup Playoffs history</u> among clubs that played at least 16 games.





^{*} The Avalanche will enter AMALIE Arena riding a seven-game win streak dating to Game 6 of the Second Round, a new <u>franchise record for the longest in a postseason</u>. They can become the sixth team in the past 20 years to win <u>eight-plus consecutive games in a postseason</u> – the 2008 Red Wings (9 GP), 2019 Bruins (8 GP), 2012 Kings (8 GP), 2011 Lightning, (8 GP) and 2004 Lightning (8 GP) have done so in that span.



^{*} Colorado's 14-2 record during the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs includes a perfect 7-0 mark as visitors. The Avalanche can become the second team in NHL history with an eight-game road win streak in a postseason, joining the 2012 Kings (10 GP).

^{*} Four of Colorado's goals in the Final have come via special teams (3 PPG, 1 SHG). Overall, the club has scored on the man advantage in 11 of 16 games this postseason and tops all teams with a 32.7% power-play percentage. Since 1977-78, the first season that special teams percentages are available, only one club has ended a postseason with a higher success rate on the power play (min. 16 GP): the 1981 Islanders (37.8% in 18 GP).



2022 NHL AWARDS SET FOR TUESDAY

Five more NHL Awards will be handed out Tuesday in Tampa, between Game 3 and Game 4 of the Stanley Cup Final. The show will be broadcast live at 7 p.m. ET on ESPN, SN and TVAS, with host **Kenan Thompson** to be joined by <u>a number of different presenters</u> whose inspirational stories stirred the emotions of the NHL and beyond this season.

Hart Memorial Trophy

The three finalists are **Auston Matthews**, **Connor McDavid** and **Igor Shesterkin**. Matthews is seeking to become the first Toronto player to win in 67 years; McDavid is vying to become the ninth player in NHL history to take home the award at least three times; and Shesterkin is trying to become the third netminder on any team to win this century.

Vezina Trophy

The three finalists are **Jacob Markstrom**, **Juuse Saros** and **Igor Shesterkin**. Markstrom aims to become the second winner in Flames franchise history, following **Miikka Kiprusoff** (2005-06); Saros is seeking to join **Pekka Rinne** (2017-18) as the second netminder in Predators history to earn the Vezina; and Shesterkin is vying to become the third Rangers goaltender to win the Vezina under the current selection criteria (since 1981-82), joining **Henrik Lundqvist** (2011-12) and **John Vanbiesbrouck** (1985-86).

James Norris Memorial Trophy

The three finalists are **Victor Hedman**, **Roman Josi** and **Cale Makar**. Hedman and Josi are both in search of their second Norris Trophy; and Makar, who is the fourth defenseman to be voted a finalist for an NHL Award in each of his first three seasons and won the Calder Trophy in his rookie campaign of 2019-20, is vying to become the first Norris Trophy winner in Avalanche/Nordiques history.

Calder Memorial Trophy

The three finalists are **Michael Bunting**, **Moritz Seider** and **Trevor Zegras**. Bunting is seeking to become the 11th player in Maple Leafs history to capture the Calder Trophy and just the second to do



so in the NHL's expansion era (since 1967-68), after **Auston Matthews** in 2016-17; Seider is vying to become the sixth player in Red Wings history to win the award and first since **Roger Crozier** in 1964-65; and Zegras is looking to become the first Ducks player to take home the award.

Ted Lindsay Award

The three finalists are Josi, Matthews and McDavid. Josi is looking to follow **Bobby Orr** (1974-75) as only the second defenseman to receive the award; a finalist for the second season in a row, Matthews is seeking to become the first Maple Leafs player and second American-born player (**Patrick Kane** in 2015-16) to receive the award; and McDavid hopes to join **Mario Lemieux** and **Wayne Gretzky** as the only players to receive the award four or more times.



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