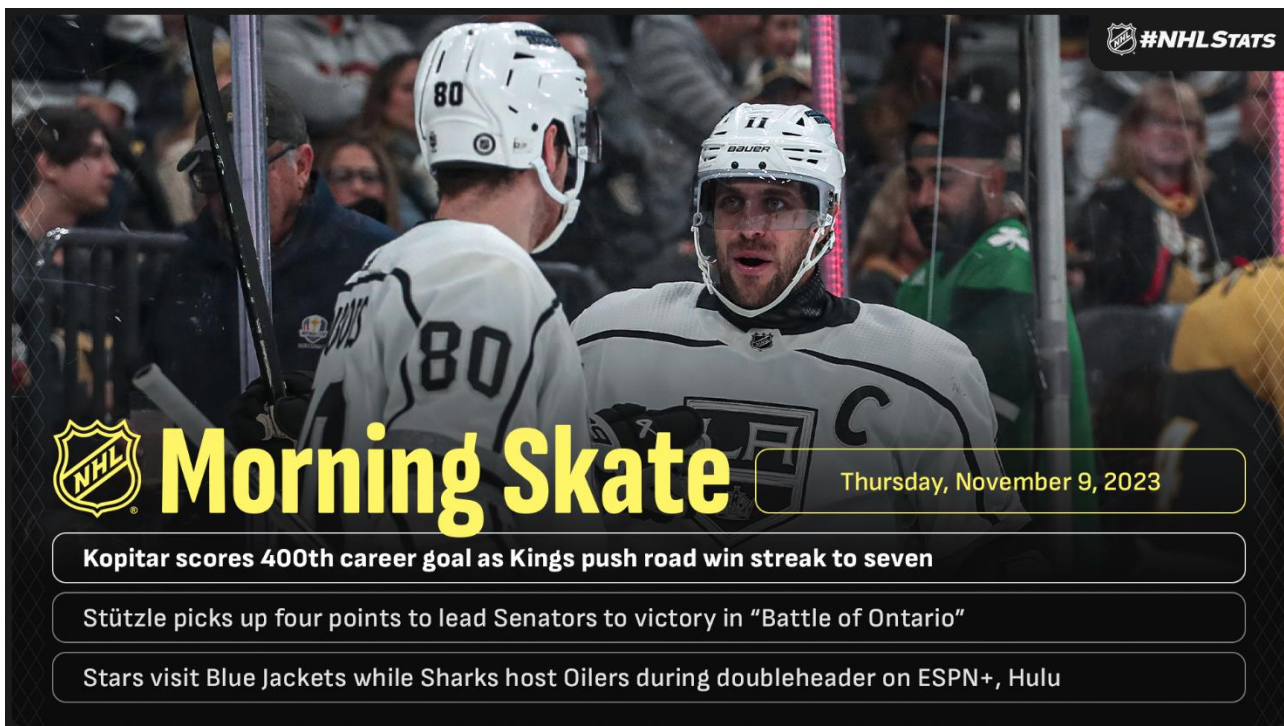


NHL MORNING SKATE – NOV. 9, 2023



NHL Morning Skate Thursday, November 9, 2023

- Kopitar scores 400th career goal as Kings push road win streak to seven
- Stützle picks up four points to lead Senators to victory in “Battle of Ontario”
- Stars visit Blue Jackets while Sharks host Oilers during doubleheader on ESPN+, Hulu

* **Anze Kopitar**'s 400th career goal helped the Kings continue their success as the visitors and did so by defeating the NHL's top team at T-Mobile Arena. Los Angeles joined rare company in NHL history in the process with their seventh straight road win to start the season.


* **Tim Stützle** continued to leave his mark in the “Battle of Ontario” by collecting his fifth career four-point game and boosting his career points per game in the history of the rivalry to 1.00 in 18 contests.


* Thursday features an ESPN+ and Hulu doubleheader, which opens at 7:30 p.m. ET when **Joe Pavelski** and the Stars visit **Adam Fantilli** and the Blue Jackets and closes at 10:30 p.m. ET when **Tomas Hertl** and the Sharks host **Leon Draisaitl** and the Oilers.

* The 11-game slate also includes **Quinn Hughes** and the Canucks looking to earn their 10th win of the season, Rangers forward **Artemi Panarin** putting his lengthy campaign-opening point streak on the line as well as Blackhawks forward **Connor Bedard** playing his first head-to-head contest with Lightning captain and fellow No. 1 pick **Steven Stamkos**.

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KOPITAR'S MILESTONE NIGHT HELPS KINGS CONQUER NHL'S TOP TEAM

Anze Kopitar's 400th career goal was one of his team's four tallies Wednesday night and Cam Talbot (37 saves) secured his [NHL-best seventh victory of the season](#) (tied) as the Kings (8-2-2, 18 points) captured their seventh consecutive road win to start 2023-24 en route to conquering the League-leading Golden Knights (11-2-1, 23 points).

LONGEST ROAD WIN STREAKS TO START A SEASON
NHL HISTORY

TEAM	SEASON	GAMES
BUFFALO SABRES	2006-07	10
NEW JERSEY DEVILS	2009-10	9
NASHVILLE PREDATORS	2018-19	8
LOS ANGELES KINGS	2023-24	7
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS	2009-10	7
DETROIT RED WINGS	2005-06	7
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS	1985-86	7
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS	1940-41	7



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* Kopitar joined **Alex Ovechkin** (824 w/ WSH), **Sidney Crosby** (556 w/ PIT), **Steven Stamkos** (519 w/ TBL) and **Evgeni Malkin** (478 w/ PIT) as the fifth active player *under contract with a team* to score at least 400 goals with the franchise that drafted them. Of note, **Patrick Kane** scored 446 goals with Chicago.

* In addition to becoming the [franchise leader in games played](#) earlier this season, the captain's 1-1—2 performance helped him become the fourth player in franchise history to score [400 career goals](#), move into a tie with **Luc Robitaille** (557-597—1,154) for the second-most points in [Kings history](#) and move within three assists of matching **Marcel Dionne's** [franchise record](#) (757).

STÜTZLE LIFTS SENATORS TO VICTORY IN “BATTLE OF ONTARIO”

Tim Stützle racked up 1-3—4, including a goal and an assist in a three-goal third period for Ottawa, to help the Senators (5-6-0, 10 points) defeat the Maple Leafs in this season's first rendition of the “Battle of Ontario.” Ottawa's six-goal performance boosted their goals-per-game rate in 2023-24 to 4.00 (excluding shootout-deciding goals), the [third-highest among all teams](#) behind Vancouver (4.50 G/GP) and Los Angeles (4.25 G/GP).


* With 7-11—18 in 18 career games versus Toronto, Stützle is one of only five players in Senators history to average [at least a point per game in the “Battle of Ontario”](#) (min. 15 GP). The others: **Mark Stone** (30 in 21 GP; 1.43 P/GP), **Dany Heatley** (40 in 29 GP; 1.38 P/GP), **Alexei Yashin** (19 in 17 GP; 1.12 P/GP) and **Jason Spezza** (56 in 56 GP; 1.00 P/GP).

* The 21-year-old notched his second three-assist outing of 2023-24, joining **Quinn Hughes** (4 GP), **Jack Hughes** (3 GP), **Mitchell Marner** (2 GP), **Jesper Bratt** (2 GP) and **Elias Pettersson** (2 GP) as the sixth player with multiple such performances this season, while also placing himself on an exclusive list among all active skaters with his fifth career four-point game.

MOST GAMES WITH 4+ POINTS BEFORE AGE 22

ACTIVE PLAYERS

PLAYER	GP
SIDNEY CROSBY	14
MATTHEW TKACHUK	6
CONNOR McDAVID	6
NICKLAS BACKSTROM	6
TIM STÜTZLE	5
SEBASTIAN AHO	5
MIKKO RANTANEN	5
JOHN TAVARES	5



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REINHART ENDS IT EARLY IN OVERTIME FOR FLORIDA

Aleksander Barkov (1-1—2) scored Florida's second goal of the game to extend his [lengthy point streak against the Capitals](#) but it was **Sam Reinhart** (1-1—2) who played the role of hero to help the Panthers (7-4-1, 15 points) claim their second overtime win in three days. Four of Florida's seven victories have come by a [one-goal margin this season](#), one shy of Carolina and Dallas (both w/ 5) for the most among all teams in 2023-24.

* Reinhart netted his ninth goal of the season – more than double that of [any other teammate](#). **Pavel Bure** (1998-99: 13 in 11 GP) is the only other player in Panthers history with as many tallies through their first 12 games of a campaign.

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- * [Charlie McAvoy's four-game suspension upheld](#); [Ross Colton fined for cross-checking](#)
- * [Calen Addison traded to Sharks by Wild for Adam Raska, draft pick](#)
- * [Cory Schneider and Alexa Landestoy join NHL Network's on-air lineup](#)
- * [Technology, fan engagement at forefront of NHL panel discussion](#)
- * [Tickets to 2024 Hyundai NHL Fan Fair in Toronto now available for purchase](#)



THURSDAY HIGHLIGHTED BY STARS-BLUE JACKETS, OILERS-SHARKS ON ESPN+, HULU
 An 11-game Thursday slate is highlighted by an ESPN+ and Hulu doubleheader, which features the Stars visiting the Blue Jackets at Nationwide Arena as well as the Sharks hosting the Oilers at SAP Center.

NHL SCHEDULE		THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9			
7:00 PM ET		MSGSN, NESN, SNW, SNO, SNE	7:00 PM ET		BSDET, TSN2, RDS
7:00 PM ET		BSWIX, BSN, MSG	7:00 PM ET		RDS2, SNP, TSN5
7:00 PM ET		BSSUN, NBCSCH, TVAS-D	7:30 PM ET		HULU, ESPN+
8:00 PM ET		SCRIPPS, BSMW	8:00 PM ET		TSN3, BSSO
9:00 PM ET		ROOT-NW, ALT, TVAS	10:30 PM ET		SN-PIT, BSW, SNP, SNO, SNE, SN1
10:30 PM ET		HULU, ESPN+, SNW			

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* Stars forward **Joe Pavelski** (454-558—1,012 in 1,261 GP) [shares the team lead with 11 points this season](#) and needs one to tie **Pat LaFontaine** (468-545—1,013 in 865 GP) for ninth place on the League's all-time list among U.S.-born players. Pavelski also needs one goal to tie **Theo Fleury** (455-633—1,088 in 1,084 GP) for the third most in League history [among players selected in the seventh round of the NHL Draft or later](#).

* Oilers forward **Leon Draisaitl** (311-447—758 in 649 GP) [has a team-leading five goals this season](#) and needs two to tie former Edmonton forward **Petr Klima** (313-260—573 in 786 GP) for 40th place on the League's all-time list among players born outside North America. Draisaitl is also set to skate in the 650th game of his NHL career Thursday.

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MOST GOALS THROUGH 650 CAREER GAMES

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PLAYERS BORN AND TRAINED OUTSIDE NORTH AMERICA, NHL HISTORY

PLAYER	DATE OF 650TH GP	GOALS
JARI KURRI	JAN. 23, 1989	425
ALEX OVECHKIN	JAN. 28, 2014	409
PAVEL BURE	MARCH 15, 2002	406
TEEMU SELANNE	NOV. 1, 2001	382
ILYA KOVALCHUK	DEC. 15, 2010	345
PETER STASTNY	FEB. 4, 1989	342
JAROMIR JAGR	MARCH 21, 1999	334
ALEXANDER MOGILNY	OCT. 13, 1999	332
PETER BONDRA	FEB. 13, 2000	331
ZIGGY PALFFY	OCT. 22, 2005	322
LEON DRAISAITL	NOV. 9, 2023	311



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*Dany Heatley (319 goals in 650 GP) was born in West Germany but raised in Canada