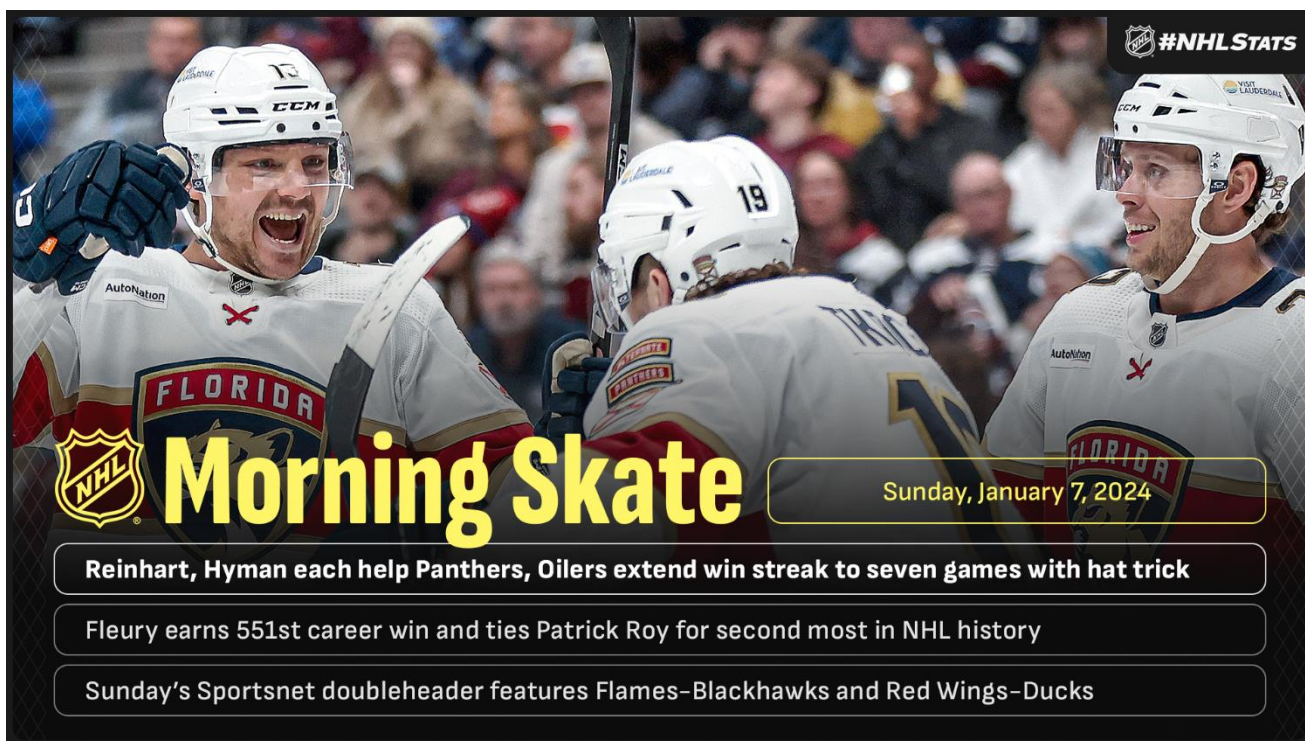


NHL MORNING SKATE – JAN. 7, 2024



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Sunday, January 7, 2024

Reinhart, Hyman each help Panthers, Oilers extend win streak to seven games with hat trick

Fleury earns 551st career win and ties Patrick Roy for second most in NHL history

Sunday's Sportsnet doubleheader features Flames-Blackhawks and Red Wings-Ducks

* **Sam Reinhart** and **Zach Hyman** both scored hat tricks to help the Panthers and Oilers each extend their respective win streaks to seven games – the NHL's longest active stretches. With every hat trick this season, AstraZeneca will donate \$5,000 to the Hockey Fights Cancer Fund of the V Foundation up to \$500,000. [Click here](#) for more information.

* Six days after appearing in his 1,000th career game, **Marc-Andre Fleury** achieved another milestone moment by earning his 551st career win – tying **Patrick Roy** for the second most in NHL history.

* A handful of 2024 All-Stars rose to the occasion during a 12-game Saturday, including the NHL's leading scoring among defensemen, **Quinn Hughes** (10-39—49 in 39 GP), who established a Canucks record for most career multi-point games by a blueliner.



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RESULTS

SATURDAY

2 FINAL ▶ 3	8 ◀ FINAL 4	3 FINAL ▶ 7
4 ◀ FINAL OT 3	3 FINAL SO ▶ 4	6 ◀ FINAL 4
3 ◀ FINAL 1	4 ◀ FINAL 1	2 ◀ FINAL SO 1
4 ◀ FINAL 3	1 FINAL ▶ 3	2 FINAL ▶ 5

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PANTHERS STARS LEAD THEM TO SEVENTH STRAIGHT WIN. . .

On the night **Matthew Tkachuk** (1-3—4) and **Aleksander Barkov** (0-4—4) each recorded four-point outings while hitting the [200-goal](#) and [700-game](#) milestones, respectively, **Sam Reinhart** netted his seventh career hat trick as the Panthers outlasted the Avalanche to win their seventh straight game.

* Reinhart, who on Thursday was named among the 32 players selected for 2024 NHL All-Star Weekend in Toronto for the first time in his career, has scored 10 goals across his last seven games and sits tied for second in the League with 28 goals this season.

REINHART HAS HOT HAND WITH HAT TRICK

Sam Reinhart (10 G in last 7 GP) joined Pavel Bure as the only players in Panthers history to score 10 goals in a 7-game span.



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* The back-and-forth contest between two of the League's top teams saw Florida jump out to a 3-0 lead in the first period, Colorado come all the way back to tie it 3-3 in the second frame and again 4-4 early in the third period, before Florida pulled away for the victory. It marked the seventh time the Panthers have had a win streak of seven or more games and first since doing so twice in 2021-22 (13 GP & 8 GP).

* As part of the Avalanche comeback attempt, **Valeri Nichushkin** became the third member of the team to reach 20 goals this season. Colorado became the first team since the 1995-96 Penguins (**Mario Lemieux, Jaromir Jagr, Tomas Sandstrom & Ron Francis**) and Flyers (**Eric Lindros, John LeClair & Mikael Renberg**) to have at least three 20-goal scorers through 40 team games.

... WHILE HYMAN'S HAT TRICK ALSO HELPS OILERS EXTEND WIN STREAK

Zach Hyman recorded his third hat trick of the season by scoring all three of his team's goals as the Oilers (20-15-1, 41 points) won their seventh straight game. Edmonton, which sat in 30th place in the NHL standings through the first month of the season, [has since gone 18-10-0](#) to climb into the second Wild Card spot in the Western Conference.

* The Oilers, who also went 8-0-0 from Nov. 24 to Dec. 12, 2023, have posted multiple win streaks of seven-plus games in the same season for the third time in franchise history following 1983-84 (4x) and 1984-85 (2x). The club now sits two games shy of matching the [longest stretch of consecutive victories in franchise history](#).

* Hyman tied **Auston Matthews** (3) for the League-lead in hat tricks in 2023-24 and became just the second Oilers player in the past 30 years with at least three in a single campaign, joining **Connor McDavid** (3 in 2020-21 & 2017-18). The last Edmonton skater [with more in a single season](#) was **Wayne Gretzky** in 1986-87 (4).

HYMAN NETS THIRD HAT TRICK OF 2023-24

Zach Hyman became the fourth active player with three hat tricks through 35 games in a season, joining Auston Matthews (2023-24), Patrik Laine (2018-19) and Alex Ovechkin (2017-18)

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FLEURY EARNS WIN NO. 551 IN MINNESOTA'S OT VICTORY

Facing a one-goal deficit with less than two minutes to go in regulation, **Marcus Johansson** leveled the game for Minnesota and sent the contest to overtime where it was **Marc-Andre Fleury** saving the day yet again with another one of his [patented sprawling saves](#) before **Marco Rossi** potted the winner. The victory marked the 551st of Fleury's career which tied him with **Patrick Roy** for the second most in NHL history.

* Six days after reaching the 1,000 games played milestone, Fleury earned another memorable feat by climbing the all-time wins list. He now trails only **Martin Brodeur** (691) for the most in NHL history.



2024 NHL ALL-STARS CONTINUED TO SHINE SATURDAY

Many more of the first 32 players named to the [roster for 2024 NHL All-Star Weekend](#) had meaningful contributions on Saturday. [Click here](#) to vote in the **2024 NHL All-Star Fan Vote presented by MassMutual**, which allows fans to complete the All-Star rosters by selecting 12 additional players. Voting is now open through Jan. 11.

* Two of the NHL's top-four scorers went head-to-head in Boston as **David Pastrnak** (24-31—55 in 38 GP) collected 1-1—2 to help his Bruins (24-8-6, 54 points) outlast a 1-2—3 performance from **Nikita Kucherov** (28-39—67 in 40 GP) and the Lightning. Kucherov, with more three-point games (9) than scoreless performances (8) so far this season, collected his 491st and 492nd career assists to leapfrog franchise icon **Vincent Lecavalier** (491) for [fourth place on the club's all-time list](#).

* The Stars scored two second-period goals to erase a 2-0 deficit, but **Filip Forsberg** (21-24—45 in 40 GP) netted a pair of tallies in a span of 4:48 in the third period to help the Predators (22-17-1, 45 points) bolster their cushion as the first Wild Card seed in the Western Conference. Forsberg, already with a

[franchise-leading eight 20-goal seasons](#), became the [11th Swedish-born player in NHL history](#) to achieve the feat on at least eight occasions.

* **Quinn Hughes** (0-3—3) factored on half of Vancouver's goals, including two of its [four in a span of 4:37 to begin the second period](#), to propel the Canucks (25-11-3, 53 points) past his brother **Luke**. Hughes, who collected his 18th career three-assist outing, recorded the 69th multi-point game of his career and took over sole possession for the [most by a defenseman in Canucks history](#) – breaking a tie with **Alexander Edler** (68)

DEFENSEMAN	TEAM(S)	INSTANCES
BOBBY ORR	BOS	36
PAUL COFFEY	EDM	30
QUINN HUGHES	VAN	18
BRIAN LEETCH	NYR	16
DENIS POTVIN	NYI	15
DAVE BABYCH	HFD, WIN	13
RAY BOURQUE	BOS	12

The infographic includes a photo of Quinn Hughes in a Vancouver Canucks captain's jersey. The NHL logo is in the top left, and the #NHLStats logo is in the bottom right of the image area.

* **Jack Eichel** (2-0—2) tallied two of Vegas' five goals to help the Golden Knights (23-12-5, 51 points) keep pace with the Canucks atop the Pacific Division. Eichel boosted his 2023-24 totals to 18-24—42 (40 GP) – the second most by a Golden Knights player through 40 games of a season behind **Mark Stone** (13-31—44 in 2020-21). The others with at least 40 points: **Jonathan Marchessault** (16-25—41 in 2017-18) and **Max Pacioretty** (21-19—40 in 2020-21).

* **Travis Konecny** scored his League-leading (tied) fifth shorthanded goal and extended his point streak to seven games (5-5—10 in 7 GP), tied for the second-longest run of his career. He also had seven-game point streaks in 2021-22 and 2022-23, along with a personal-best 10-game run last season from Dec. 20, 2022 to Jan. 11, 2023.

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* [Pheonix Copley out for season for Kings following ACL surgery](#)

SPORTSNET, NHL NETWORK ON AIR SUNDAY AS JETS PUT POINT STREAK ON THE LINE

The first week of 2024 will conclude with Sportsnet picking up matchups between the Flames and Blackhawks, followed by the Red Wings and Ducks. The other contests on Sunday's slate include the Kings and their 13-2-1 road record starting a season-long six-game road trip on NHL Network and the Jets putting their franchise-record point streak (9-0-2 in 11 GP) on the line in Arizona. Winnipeg can match Vegas (11-0-1 from Oct. 10-Nov. 4) for the longest point streak in the NHL this season.

Time	Home Team	Visitor Team	Broadcast Partners
3:00 PM ET	Edmonton Oilers	Chicago Blackhawks	SN, TVAS, NBCSCH
3:00 PM ET	Los Angeles Kings	Washington Capitals	NHLN, BSW, MNMT
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