

## NHL MORNING SKATE – OCT. 17, 2024



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# Morning Skate

Thursday, October 17, 2024

- Crosby hits 1,600 points, Malkin scores 500th goal in overtime win
- Matthews nets 200th career home goal as Maple Leafs win third straight
- Second episode of Prime Video Canada's whiparound show NHL Coast to Coast goes Thursday

\* **Sidney Crosby** hit the 1,600-point mark and **Evgeni Malkin** collected his 500th career goal before the longtime Penguins teammates combined on the overtime winner to cap off their milestone night.

\* **Auston Matthews** scored his 200th home goal and tied for the fifth-fewest games in NHL history to reach the mark.

\* The second edition of Prime Video Canada's whiparound show, NHL Coast to Coast, begins Thursday at 7 p.m. ET with 22 teams in action, including the Stars (4-0-0) and Lightning (2-0-0) who will look to continue their perfect starts.

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# NHL RESULTS

WEDNESDAY


**5** FINAL ▶ **6**



**2** FINAL ▶ **6**



**5** ◀ FINAL **3**



**4** FINAL ▶ **5**


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## CROSBY, MALKIN CELEBRATE MILESTONE MOMENTS, COMBINE ON OVERTIME WINNER

**Sidney Crosby** (1-2—3) became the 10th player in NHL history to [reach the 1,600-point mark](#) with his first assist of the night and then set up **Evgeni Malkin** (1-3—4) for his 500th career goal in the third period before the longtime Penguins teammates combined on the captain's overtime winner to cap off their milestone night with a storybook ending.

## FEWEST GAMES TO 1,600 CAREER POINTS

NHL HISTORY

PLAYER	GP
WAYNE GRETZKY	667
MARIO LEMIEUX	812
MARCEL DIONNE	1,164
JAROMIR JAGR	1,274
SIDNEY CROSBY	1,277



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\* Malkin joined **Mario Lemieux** (690) and Crosby (593) as the third player in [franchise history](#) to reach the 500-goal milestone. He also became the eighth player born and trained outside North America to reach the mark, following **Alex Ovechkin** (853), **Jaromir Jagr** (766), **Teemu Selanne** (684), **Jari Kurri** (601), **Mats Sundin** (564), **Marian Hossa** (525) and **Peter Bondra** (503).

\* Coincidentally, Crosby collected the lone assist on Malkin's 500th goal 974 days after Malkin registered the only helper on [Crosby's 500th career tally](#) – something the duo discussed in their [post-game interview with the NHL on TNT panel](#).



\* Malkin (2-9—11 in 5 GP) is off to the best start of his career as he became the first Penguins player to post at least 11 points through the team's first five games of a season since Lemieux had 4-7—11 in 2002-03. This marks the first time that Malkin has led all players *outright* in points since April 7, 2012 – the final day of the 2011-12 season in which he won his second Art Ross Trophy.

### **MATTHEWS NETS FIRST GOAL AS CAPTAIN, MAPLE LEAFS WIN THIRD STRAIGHT**

**Auston Matthews** scored his first goal as captain of the Maple Leafs and his 200th at home, while **Mitch Marner** collected 0-3—3 to climb multiple franchise lists as Toronto won its third game in a row. The Maple Leafs improved to 203-36-34 when both Matthews and Marner find the score sheet.

\* Matthews became the fourth player in franchise history to record 200 home goals, joining **Darryl Sittler** (231), **Dave Keon** (225) and **Mats Sundin** (217). He was by far the fastest in doing so (279 GP), besting Sittler (365 GP) by 86 games. In fact, Matthews became the fastest active player to 200 home goals, outpacing **Alex Ovechkin**, who reached it in 321 contests.



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**FEWEST GAMES TO 200 HOME GOALS**
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PLAYER	GAMES PLAYED
WAYNE GRETZKY	211
MIKE BOSSY	230
MARIO LEMIEUX	243
BRETT HULL	252
AUSTON MATTHEWS	279
LUC ROBITAILLE	279
JARI KURRI	281
MAURICE RICHARD	284



\* **Marners** recorded his 109th multi-assist game to pass **Sittler** (108) for sole possession of the [second most in Maple Leafs history](#). He also tied **Borje Salming** for the [second-most three-assist games](#) in franchise history with 29, behind **Sittler** (36).

### **DUCKS OUTLAST UTAH TO WIN NINTH STRAIGHT HOME OPENER**

In a game that saw five lead changes, it was the Ducks who came out on top thanks to an overtime winner from 19-year-old **Leo Carlsson** as well as notable performances from other youngsters, **Trevor Zegras** and **Mason McTavish**. Anaheim earned its [ninth straight home-opening win](#) dating to 2016-17, matching Toronto and Boston for the longest active run in the NHL.



## MULTI-POINT McTAVISH

Mason McTavish became the third player in NHL history to record multiple points in each of his first four career home openers. The others: Victor Olofsson (4 GP from 2019-20 to 2022-23) and Cy Denny (4 GP from 1917-18 to 1920-21).



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\* Carlsson (1-1—2) became the third teenager in Ducks history to score an overtime goal, joining **Cam Fowler** (Feb. 11, 2011 & March 23, 2011) and **Jamie Drysdale** (Oct. 18, 2021).

\* Zegras (0-1—1) notched his 100th career assist in his 214th game and became the third-fastest player to reach the mark after debuting with the Ducks, following **Paul Kariya** (153 GP) and **Ryan Getzlaf** (198 GP).

### **QUICK GOALS PROPEL BRUINS TO VICTORY IN #NHLSTATS: LIVE UPDATES**

The [most recent #NHLStats: Live Updates](#) included the Bruins, who scored their fastest two goals on the road in over eight years and fended off an Avalanche three-goal comeback attempt for their third win of the season.



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## QUICK CLICKS

- \* [Willie O'Ree 'overwhelmed' by surprise party to celebrate 89th birthday](#)
- \* [Riley Sheahan retires after 12 NHL seasons, last played in 2022-23](#)
- \* [Patrick Kane looking to take off with Red Wings after pain-free offseason, full training camp](#)
- \* [Anaheim celebrates 21st Duck Emma Melin at home opener](#)
- \* [Mailbag: Start to Oilers' season, lessons learned after first week](#)

## ORIGINAL SIX RIVALRY ON ESPN+ PART OF 11-GAME THURSDAY

There will be lots of action on the ice during an 11-game Thursday, including Original Six rivals facing off exclusively on ESPN+ and Hulu when the Rangers visit the Red Wings in the second half of a home-and-home set (NYR: [4-1 W on Oct. 14](#)). Panarin (2-5—7 in 3 GP) helped New York to victory with a three-assist outing in the first meeting and will look to match or surpass his franchise mark for points by a Rangers skater though four games of a season (2-8—10 in 2022-23).



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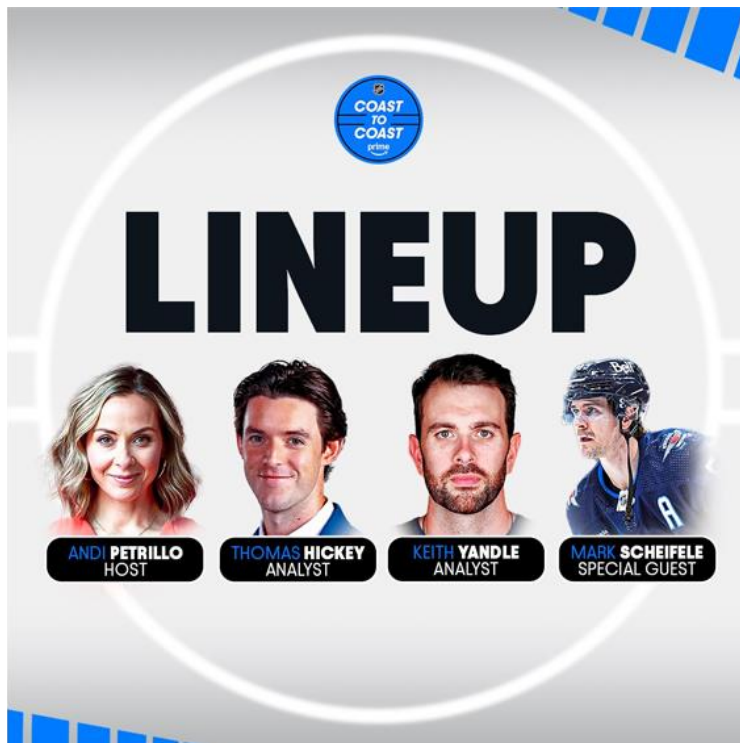


# SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

7:00 PM ET		RDS, TSN2, BSW	7:00 PM ET		RDS2, TSN5, MSG
7:00 PM ET		SCRIPPS, BSSUN	7:00 PM ET		SCRIPPS, SNP
7:00 PM ET		VICTORY+, MNMT	7:00 PM ET		BSOH, MSG-B
7:30 PM ET		HULLU, ESPN+	8:00 PM ET		MSGSN, BMW
8:00 PM ET		BSSO, SNW	8:30 PM ET		CHSN, NBCSCA
10:00 PM ET		KHN, KING 5, KONG, NBCSP			

\* The multitude of games will be an ideal setting for week two of NHL Coast to Coast on Prime Video Canada, the weekly Thursday whiparound show hosted by **Andi Petrillo** with a rotating group of analysts and guests starts at 7 p.m. ET. **Keith Yandle**, **Thomas Hickey** and Jets forward **Mark Scheifele** are among the guests slated to appear this week.



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Five things to look out for Thursday:

\* The Stars (4-0-0) and Lightning (2-0-0) will look to continue their season-opening win streaks. The Flames (4-0-0) and Jets (3-0-0), who are both idle Thursday, are the only other teams with an unblemished record heading into tonight's action. Dallas can open a season 5-0-0 for the third time in franchise history and first since 2006-07, while Tampa Bay looks to start a campaign 3-0-0 for the first time since their last Stanley Cup-winning season in 2020-21.

\* Coming off Edmonton's first win of the season and **Connor McDavid**'s first multi-point outing of 2024-25, the Oilers travel to Nashville to face the Predators. McDavid has a point in each of his last 13 games against the Predators dating to Oct. 27, 2018 (8-25—33 in 13 GP). Ironically, that is tied with current Nashville forward **Steven Stamkos** (13 GP from Oct. 26, 2019 to Oct. 10, 2023) for the longest point streak by any player against the Predators.

\* Sabres forward **Tage Thompson** has 16 points in 11 career games versus the Blue Jackets (11-5—16 in 11 GP), including a memorable [five-goal and six-point night](#) on Dec. 7, 2022. The only other active players to [record a five-goal game](#) include **Mika Zibanejad**, **Timo Meier** and **Patrik Laine**.

\* The Rangers (2-0-1) are one of six teams yet to suffer a regulation loss in 2024-25 and can extend their season-opening point streak to at least four games for the first time since 2008-09 (5-0-0). New York will have a chance to do so against Detroit, which they've defeated in four straight meetings dating to Nov. 7, 2023 – tied for the Rangers' longest active win streak versus one opponent (also 4 GP vs. NJD).

\* Blues defenseman **Philip Broberg** (1-3—4 in 4 GP) enters Thursday with points in each of his first four games with St. Louis and can become the first blueliner in franchise history to extend that streak to five. Only three active defensemen have posted a point streak of five games from the start of their tenure with a club: **Shayne Gostisbehere** (5 GP w/ DET in 2023-24), **Ty Smith** (5 GP w/ NJD in 2020-21) and **Cale Makar** (5 GP w/ COL in 2019-20).



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