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Crosby scores highlight-reel overtime winner while Ovechkin continues strong start to season

Hurricanes net eight including three goals in 52 seconds

2024 NHL Global Series Finland between Panthers, Stars begins today at 2 p.m. ET

* **Sidney Crosby** scored two goals including the overtime winner while **Alex Ovechkin** hit the 10-point mark with a three-point effort as the pair of veterans treated fans to vintage performances on Halloween.

* The Hurricanes skated to an eight-goal outburst with help from three tallies in under a minute. The 2024-25 campaign has now seen the most eight-goal performances at this stage of a season in 18 years, with 1992-93 being the last to feature more.

* The *2024 NHL Global Series Finland presented by Fastenal* between the Panthers and Stars begins at 2 p.m. ET on NHL Network and Sportsnet. The contest will feature hometown hero **Aleksander Barkov** and could include seven players from Finland.

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RESULTS

THURSDAY

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CROSBY, OVECHKIN TREAT FANS TO MULTI-POINT PERFORMANCES ON HALLOWEEN

Sidney Crosby (2-0—2) scored a pair of goals including the overtime winner to propel the Penguins to victory while Capitals captain **Alex Ovechkin** (1-2—3) notched his first three-point performance since Feb. 20 and is off to his best start to a season since his 90-point effort in 2021-22.

* Crosby tied the game in the third period and scored a [highlight-reel overtime goal](#) – the 22nd of his career, which is the second-most all-time behind Ovechkin (26) – to help Pittsburgh find the win column. The Penguins captain climbed into eighth on two all-time NHL lists as he passed **Wayne Gretzky** and tied **Marcel Dionne** (215) for [go-ahead goals](#) and broke a tie with **Joe Sakic** (473) on the [multi-point games list](#).




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MOST GAME-WINNING GOALS WITH ONE FRANCHISE

NHL HISTORY

PLAYER	TEAM	GWG
ALEX OVECHKIN	WSH	129
GORDIE HOWE	DET	121
PATRICK MARLEAU	SJS	101
BOBBY HULL	CHI	98
GUY LAFLEUR	MTL	94
STEVE YZERMAN	DET	94
SIDNEY CROSBY	PIT	92
MIKE MODANO	MNS/DAL	92



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* Ovechkin moved another step closer to tying Gretzky's [all-time goals record](#) as he became the first Washington skater to post three points on Halloween since **Peter Bondra** (0-3-3) and **Richard Zednik** (3-0-3) on Oct. 31, 2000. In doing so, the Capitals captain boosted his season totals to 5-5-10 (9 GP) and hit the 10-point mark in fewer than 10 games for the first time since 2021-22 (5 GP), when he went on to tally 50-40-90 (77 GP).

FEWEST GAMES TO 10 POINTS IN A SEASON

PLAYERS AGE 39 OR OLDER, NHL HISTORY

PLAYER	TEAM	SEASON	GP
GORDIE HOWE	RED WINGS	1968-69	6
JEAN RATELLE	BRUINS	1979-80	7
JAROMIR JAGR	PANTHERS	2015-16	8
JEAN BELIVEAU	CANADIENS	1970-71	8
ALEX OVECHKIN	CAPITALS	2024-25	9
TEEMU SELANNE	DUCKS	2012-13	9
NICKLAS LIDSTROM	RED WINGS	2010-11	9
GORDIE HOWE	RED WINGS	1967-68	9
RAY WHITNEY	COYOTES	2011-12	9
JOE PAVELSKI	STARS	2023-24	9
AL MACINNIS	BLUES	2002-03	9



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HURRICANES ERUPT FOR EIGHT GOALS IN FIFTH STRAIGHT WIN

Andrei Svechnikov (2-1—3) and **Martin Necas** (1-3—4) led the way during Carolina's eight-goal outburst as the pair each factored on the first of three tallies in a span of 52 seconds – the fastest three by a team this season – and helped the Hurricanes skate to a fifth straight victory, the League's longest active winning streak.



* Necas (5-10—15 in 9 GP) tied the franchise benchmark for fewest games to 10 assists in a season and became the third player in Hurricanes/Whalers history with 15 points before his 10th game of a campaign, joining **John Anderson** (18 in 1985-86) and **Eric Staal** (15 in 2005-06).

* Carolina, which scored eight goals in a game for the first time since [Nov. 11, 2019](#), became the sixth different team this season to net as many in a contest (7th instance overall). The last campaign to feature as many eight-goal outbursts at this stage of a season (166 GP) was 2006-07 (7), while the last to feature more was 1992-93 (14).

DRAISAITL CONTINUES STRONG PLAY AGAINST PREDATORS

Leon Draisaitl (2-1—3) boosted his career numbers against Nashville and helped the Oilers extend their point streak versus the Predators to nine games (7-0-2 dating to Oct. 27, 2018) – their second-longest active run against an opponent behind the Ducks (10 GP; 8-0-2 dating to Feb. 25, 2018).

* Draisaitl, who passed **Glenn Anderson** (92) for sole possession of the [fifth-most three-point games in Oilers history](#), has collected 25-16—41 in his last 16 games against Nashville dating to Oct. 27, 2018. Through that span, he has posted three five-point games, a four-goal performance, a hat trick, nine three-plus point outings and 10 multi-goal contests.

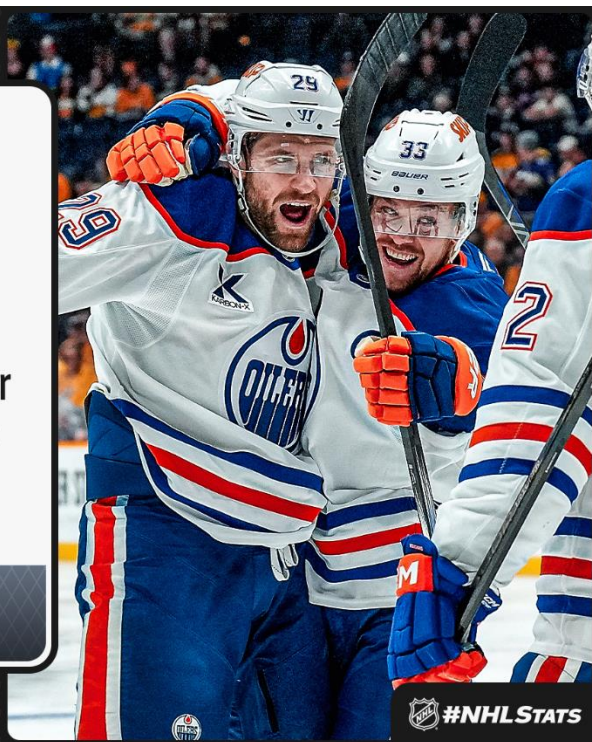


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DRAISAITL STAYS HOT AGAINST PREDATORS

Leon Draisaitl scored his 26th & 27th goal against the Predators, passing Rick Nash for the second most among all skaters versus the franchise behind Jarome Iginla (42).



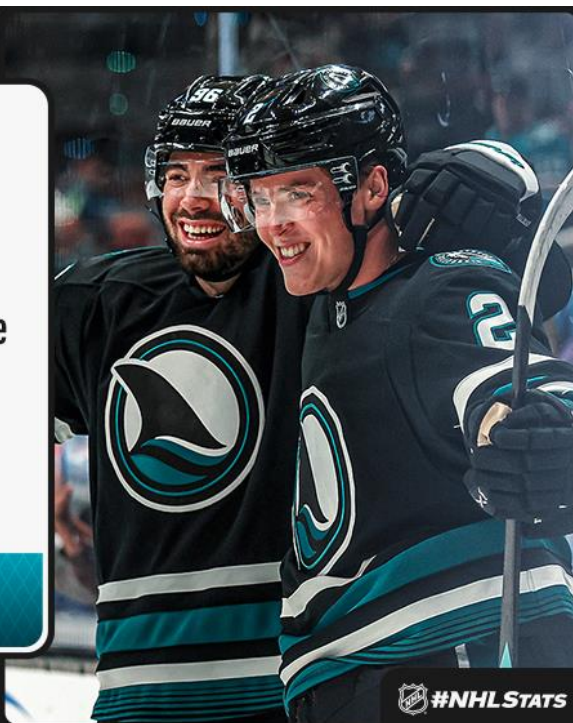
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SMITH'S FIRST TWO CAREER TALLIES FEATURED IN #NHLSTATS: LIVE UPDATES

The [Halloween edition of #NHLStats: Live Updates](#) saw teams and players provide plenty of treats, including Sharks rookie **Will Smith**, who notched his first two career goals and became the youngest U.S.-born skater to score for the franchise. The 19-year-old, who's living with **Patrick Marleau** this season, also put his name next to the Sharks legend with his multi-goal performance.

SMITH SCORES FIRST TWO NHL GOALS

Will Smith (19 years, 228 days) became the youngest Sharks player to score multiple goals in a game since Patrick Marleau on March 17, 1999 (19 years, 183 days).



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QUICK CLICKS



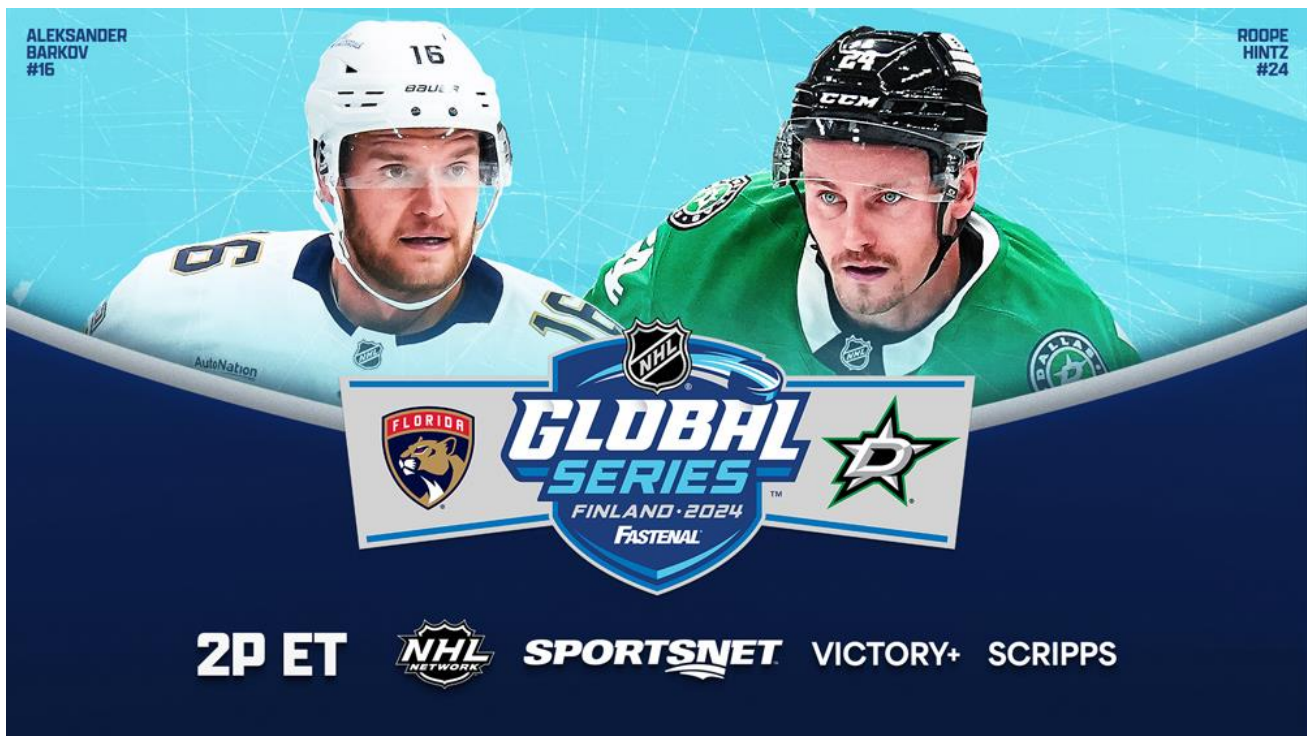
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- * [Avalanche's Matt Stienburg suspended 2 games](#)
- * [Auston Matthews meets young fan who dressed up as his hockey card for Halloween](#)
- * [Macklin Celebrini resumes team activities with Sharks; remains week to week](#)
- * [Kings fans celebrate Dodgers' World Series win in stands](#)
- * [Aleksander Barkov enjoying 'amazing' homecoming ahead of Global Series in Finland](#)

FINNISH TALENT AT FOREFRONT TODAY IN TAMPERE

The 2024 NHL Global Series Finland presented by Fastenal begins today at 2 p.m. ET on NHL Network and Sportsnet with the first of two back-to-back games at Nokia Arena in Tampere between the reigning Stanley Cup champion Panthers, captained by hometown hero **Aleksander Barkov**, and the Stars, who also boast a Finnish-born star at forward in **Roope Hintz** (Nokia, Finland), with three straight 30-goal campaigns to his name.



* Barkov and Hintz are two of seven players from Finland available for the game, along with Stars defensemen **Miro Heiskanen** (Espoo, Finland) and **Esa Lindell** (Vantaa, Finland), as well as a trio of Panthers skaters who contributed to their 2024 Stanley Cup championship in **Anton Lundell** (Espoo, Finland), **Eetu Luostarinen** (Siilinjärvi, Finland) and **Niko Mikkola** (Kiiminki, Finland).

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BARKOV AT HOME IN TAMPERE

Aleksander Barkov (740 GP) is one of four players listed as born in Tampere to appear in 500+ NHL games alongside Teppo Numminen (1,372 GP), Jyrki Lumme (985 GP) and Risto Siltanen (562 GP).

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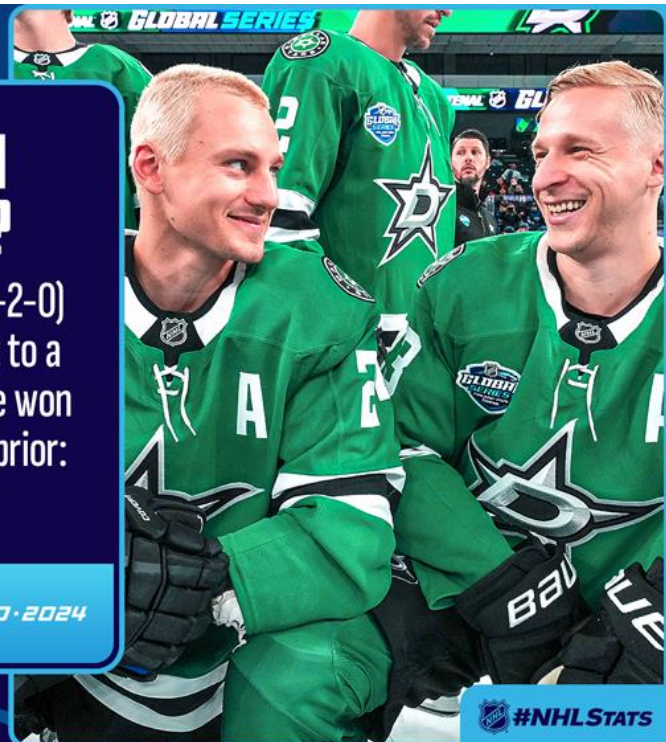
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* The Panthers and Stars have each had deep playoff runs in the two previous seasons, with Dallas falling in the Western Conference Final in 2023 and 2024, and Florida reaching the Stanley Cup Final in those two seasons while capturing the franchise's first championship in 2024. They are both off to quick starts in 2024-25, with the Panthers (7-3-1, 15 points) sitting atop the Atlantic Division and the Stars (7-2-0, 14 points) boasting [one of the League's top points percentages](#) early in the campaign.

CAN STARS MATCH THEIR BEST START?

With a victory on Friday, the Stars (7-2-0) would match the best 10-game start to a season in franchise history. They have won 8 of their first 10 games three times prior: 2015-16, 2006-07 & 1996-97.

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* The two-game set on Friday and Saturday (12 p.m. ET on NHLN, SN1) will be the 10th and 11th NHL regular-season games played in Finland, the second most of any country outside North America behind Sweden (17). Tampere will host its third and fourth such contests to tie Tokyo (4) for the fourth most of [any city outside North America](#). Nokia Arena will have hosted all four games in Tampere.

* Plenty of resources are available ahead of the *2024 NHL Global Series Finland presented by Fastenal* including: A list of [all NHL Games Outside North America](#) and [all-time standings in those games](#) via Records.NHL.com; an [#NHLStats Pack](#) that includes a more in-depth look at the history of games outside North America, features on star players from Finland and more; as well as the [2024 NHL Global Series Finland Interactive Information Guide](#).

* ICYMI: Hintz and **Sam Reinhart** [donned a gold helmet at practice](#). In many European leagues, the top scorer on each team wears a golden dome to signify his place on the team. While Hintz (4-4—8 in 9 GP) is not the leading scorer for Dallas (**Matt Duchene**: 6-5—11 in 9 GP), he was given the honor to wear the special helmet by teammates as the hometown member of the Stars – Hintz grew up in a suburb of Tampere.



FIVE-GAME FRIDAY NIGHT CLOSES WITH DEVILS-FLAMES

After the Stars and Panthers complete their first of two games in Tampere, Friday night in North America includes a five-game slate with the League-leading Jets (9-1-0, 18 points) in action against the Blue Jackets (5-3-1, 11 points) and closes with **Jack Hughes** and the Devils (7-4-2, 16 points) continuing their Western Canadian swing against **Nazem Kadri** and the Flames nationally in Canada on Sportsnet One, Sportsnet West and TVA Sports.

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MSG 2, TSN5, RDS2

7:00 PM ET



TVAS, FDSNOH, TSN3

8:00 PM ET



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