Colorado finished its season-long, six-game homestand with a 5-1-0 record, the second-best homestand of six or more games in Avalanche history (Oct. 25-Nov.8, 2005). The Avs enter their bye week on a five-game win streak, their longest since Dec. 12-19, 2015.

The Avs are 10-3-1 in their last 14 games and 6-1-0 in their last seven at Pepsi Center.

Colorado is 5-1-0 on jersey retirement nights.

The Avalanche improved to 22-16-3, its most wins at the midway point of the season since the 2013-14 campaign (26-11-4 through 41 games).

Colorado’s seven goals matches a season high (Dec. 9 at Florida) and is the most Colorado has scored at home this season. The Avalanche have scored seven goals in a game twice for the first time since the 2011-12 season (Oct. 13, 2011 at Ottawa, March 6, 2012 vs. Minnesota).

The Avalanche scored at least six goals in a game for the seventh time this season, tied with the Toronto Maple Leafs for the most such outings in 2017-18 and the most 6+ goal performances by the Avalanche since 2006-07.

Colorado’s 84 tallies in 23 home contests ranks first in the league in goals by a team at home this season.

Mikko Rantanen (1g, 2a) registered his third consecutive multi-point game, the first time in his career he’s done so. Rantanen has accumulated eight points (3g, 5a) in his last three outings and 19 points (7g, 12a) in his last 14 contests.

Nathan MacKinnon (1g, 2a) registered his 16th career multi-point game, a career high for multi-point games in a single campaign. He has three or more points in seven contests this season, the most by an Avalanche player since Paul Stastny had seven 3+ point performances during the 2009-10 campaign. All seven of MacKinnon’s 3+ point performances have come at home, the most since Milan Hejduk (seven) and Peter Forsberg (nine) during the 2002-03 season.
MacKinnon extended his point streak to five games (3g, 9a), bringing his season total to 52 points (18g, 34a), which ranks second in the league. His five-game assist streak matches a career high (Feb. 26-March 6, 2014).

The Avalanche finished 3-for-4 with the man advantage and is 13-for-38 (34.2%) in its last 10 games. The Avs’ three power-play goals matches a season high (Dec. 23 at Arizona).

Colorado was 3-for-4 on the penalty kill and has killed 42 of its last 44 times shorthanded (95.5%).

Carl Soderberg picked up his second career multi-goal game, both of which have come this season. Soderberg’s first tally, the game-winning goal, is his first game winner for the Avalanche and seventh of his career.

Alexander Kerfoot finished with two assists and is now tied for fifth among NHL rookies in scoring. His 13 power-play points are tied for third among first-year players and 10 man-advantage assists rank second.

Gabriel Bourque registered his first goal in an Avalanche sweater and first marker since Nov. 10, 2015 vs. Ottawa when he played for the Nashville Predators.

With an assist tonight, Samuel Girard has five points (0g, 5a) in his last five outings.

Nate Prosser skated in his 300th NHL contest.

**Colorado LW Gabriel Landeskog**

*On Being A Part Of Former Colorado RW Milan Hejduk’s Jersey Retirement Ceremony:* “It was a lot of fun. Obviously, Hedgy had an amazing career and a few of us were fortunate to be a part of the end of that. Like I said before, he taught us a lot about how great of a human being he was and how big of a pro he was, so that was amazing to see his banner being raised there.”

*On Getting The Win:* “It’s big. To string those five games together, I think that’s a statement and obviously tonight, we knew how important this one was going to be. Obviously, playing the Wild, we know what those games are going to be like and this one was fun. It was a lot of fun in the sold-out environment and Hedgy’s (Former Colorado RW Milan Hejduk) night so this one was for him and obviously, two big points for us.”

**Colorado C Carl Soderberg**

*On Getting The Win:* “It was a big game for us. We have worked hard lately to get in good position and tonight was a good test for us to play against another divisional team so we needed this win. We play Dallas right after break, we need that one.”
On The Avs’ Performance: “I think we played with intensity the whole night, 5-on-5, PK, power play, so that was the key for us tonight. We stayed on pucks and we won the battles in front of the net.”

Colorado RW Mikko Rantanen
On If This Was A Statement Win: “Yeah, I think it is. It was playoff hockey, like you look at the crowd how pumped they were and a divisional rival meeting, so it’s a big game and to get a 7-2 win, that shows the confidence we have right now.”

On The Avs’ Start: “We were talking about the Hejduk (Former Colorado RW Milan Hejduk) thing, it was amazing. The atmosphere already and when Hejduk got put to the roof and after that, we got ready and I think we got energy from that. The crowd was buzzing and that was good for us.”

Minnesota RW Zach Praise
On Tonight’s Loss: “I think they were faster than us through the neutral zone, they got into our zone with full speed and possession quite a bit. In their own zone they were pretty quick too, so I thought they played a really good game.”

On Colorado’s Performance: “I think they were pretty fired up from the ceremony. They have been playing good hockey. I don’t think you can run this back four years and accumulate to tonight’s game. They’re playing really well lately and they were really good tonight. In a lot of different areas they were just better than us.”

Minnesota C Eric Staal
On Tonight’s Loss: “They were definitely the better team. I felt like they were quicker and we just didn’t execute well enough throughout most of the game and through the neutral zone. We didn’t eliminate some of their speed and quickness. They were the better team tonight.”

On Colorado’s Performance: “They have some good young players, they have quickness. It looks like a better belief in the style of game that they need to play. When you’re that far behind the eight ball as much as they were last year, it’s sometimes difficult to show up for games. They are a team that’s very competitive, and they were better than us tonight. I’m sure we will get them a few more times and we have to be better.”