



## POSTGAME NOTES & QUOTES

**COLORADO AVALANCHE 3, VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS 0**

**FEBRUARY 18, 2019**

### First Star

Semyon Varlamov (40 svs)

### Second Star

Andrew Agozzino (1g, 1a)

### Third Star

Tyson Jost (1g)

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### TEAM STATS

#### Avalanche

Shots: 38

Power Play: 0-3

Penalty Kill: 4-4

Faceoffs: 31%

#### Vegas

Shots: 40

Power Play: 0-4

Penalty Kill: 3-3

Faceoffs: 69

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### Avalanche Schedule

Tuesday

Feb. 19, 2019

No practice

### TEAM NOTES

The Avalanche is now 1-1-0 against Vegas this season with one game remaining in the season series, on March 27 at Pepsi Center. Colorado is 2-0-0 all-time at home against Vegas.

Colorado is 1-1-0 on its current three-game homestand. The Avs will wrap up their home stay against the Winnipeg Jets on Wednesday.

The Avs were 4-for-4 on the penalty kill and haven't allowed a power-play goal in three straight contests.

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Andrew Agozzino notched his first NHL goal, the fifth Avalanche player this season to record his first NHL marker (Dominic Toninato on Feb. 14 at Winnipeg; Sheldon Dries, Vladislav Kamenev on Nov. 1 at Calgary; Ryan Graves on Jan. 4 vs. New York Rangers).

Agozzino added an assist for the first multi-point game of his career.

Gabriel Landeskog registered his 400th NHL point, joining Tampa Bay's Nikita Kucherov (433) as the only members of the 2011 NHL Draft to reach 400 points. He's just the fourth Colorado draft pick (since 1995-96) to record 400 points with the franchise, joining Alex Tanguay (488), Paul Stastny (458) and Matt Duchene (428).

Semyon Varlamov picked up his second shutout of the season (also: Dec. 2 at Detroit) and the 25th of his career. He has now registered 21 shutouts as a member of the Avalanche, the second-most (Patrick Roy, 37) in franchise history.

Varlamov recorded his fifth career 40+ save shutout and is the fifth Russian goaltender to post 25 shutouts in his career.

Varlamov started his seventh consecutive game, a season high.

Matt Nieto finished with an assist and has three points (0g, 3a) over his last three outings. He leads the Avalanche with five assists in the month of February.



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##### **Colorado C Andrew Agozzino**

*On His First NHL Goal:* "It's special. Tough to put into words, a lot of emotion after I saw it go in. And just pure excitement."

*On Tonight's Win:* "I came up with the mindset to try and help this team [in] whatever aspect it was and got to do that tonight and help this team get a win, and it's a big two points for us in the playoff race. It's a special night for me."

##### **Colorado G Semyon Varlamov**

*On Tonight's Game:* "It's been a tough stretch, we play every other day and we'll continue to play like that so just got to stay focused like every game and then try to get this team the chance to win."

*On Team Performance:* "Definitely, we played a lot better. Our defensive-zone structure was a lot better the last couple of games. Like I said, we make a couple changes like with the coaching stuff and it works. It's nice to see the guys doing a great job."

##### **Las Vegas RW Reilly Smith**

*On Tonight's Game:* "I just don't think we were executing. It seemed like there were a lot of sloppy plays. I think we had a lot of chances where we had people open for scoring chances, but we couldn't get the puck there. Probably just got a little too frustrated. Didn't make it hard enough on (Colorado G Semyon) Varlamov."

*On Their Success Last Game:* "I don't think we came out with the best start. I don't really think that last game was a reason for that, I think we just didn't have the legs tonight. Some games that's going to happen. You really have to focus on executing, we didn't do that either."

##### **Las Vegas D Brayden McNabb**

*On Tonight's Game:* "A lack of jump, we had a pretty good start to the game actually. They took over the game after the 10-minute mark. It's frustrating. Subby (Las Vegas G Malcom Subban) played great, he was outstanding again and gave us a chance to win. It's too bad we couldn't get some goals for him and play better for him."

*On Tonight's Loss:* "It's disappointing for sure. They are important points, it's an important time of year. We're trying to gear up for playoffs and we're fortunate we are in a playoff spot right now the way we have been playing lately. Nashville was a great step for us and it's frustrating the way things turned out for us tonight."