



POSTGAME NOTES & QUOTES

COLORADO AVALANCHE 4, BOSTON BRUINS 2

OCTOBER 10, 2019

First Star

Philipp Grubauer (39 svs)

Second Star

Andre Burakovsky (1g)

Third Star

David Pastrnak (1g, 1a)

TEAM STATS

Avalanche

Shots: 36

Power Play: 1-2

Penalty Kill: 0-1

Faceoffs: 43%

Boston

Shots: 41

Power Play: 0-1

Penalty Kill: 1-2

Faceoffs: 57%

Next Practice

Friday

October 11, 2019 — 12 p.m.

Family Sports

TEAM NOTES

The Avalanche is 3-0-0 this season, just the second time since moving to Denver that the club has won three straight to start the season (2013-14: 6-0-0). It's the sixth time in franchise history the club has won three or more games to begin a campaign.

The Avs have won nine straight regular-season games at Pepsi Center dating back to the 2018-19 campaign. Colorado is 14-2-1 in its last 17 regular-season contests on home ice. Including the team's 4-1 home record during the 2019 Stanley Cup Playoffs, the Avalanche is now 13-1 in its last 14 games at Pepsi Center and 18-3-1 in its last 22.

Colorado has recorded at least one goal in each of its first nine periods, the first time in franchise history that the club has opened a season by scoring in each of its first nine periods since 1992-93 when Quebec scored in each of its first 18 periods to begin the season.

The Avs finished 1-for-2 on the power play and has registered a goal with the man advantage in each of their first three outings (4-for-14, 28.6%).

The Avalanche is 5-0-1 against Boston in the last six matchups between the clubs and 23-10-2 against Boston since moving to Denver in 1995-96.

Colorado erased a two-goal deficit for its first comeback win of the season. The Avs erased a deficit of two goals six times during the 2018-19 campaign (last: April 4, 2019 vs. Winnipeg, trailed 0-2, won 3-2 in overtime).

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Cale Makar registered an assist to become the third defenseman in franchise history to tally points in each of his first three career regular-season games. Stefan Elliott opened his career with a three-game point streak from Nov. 26-30, 2011 and Quebec's Dave Pichette also had points in his first three contests from Dec. 7-11, 1980.

Colorado's top line of Gabriel Landeskog (1g, 1a), Nathan MacKinnon (1g, 1a) and Mikko Rantanen (1a) each registered a point. The Avs are 51-11-11 in the regular season when getting a point from each member of the line.

Andre Burakovsky notched his first goal in an Avalanche sweater. His tally stood as the game winner, the 14th game-deciding goal of his career.



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Philipp Grubauer is 3-0-0 with a 1.32 goals-against average and a .959 save percentage in three career starts against the Bruins.

Gabriel Landeskog notched the 179th goal of his career to surpass Matt Duchene for sole possession of seventh place on the franchise's all-time goals list.

Nathan MacKinnon recorded an assist, the 251st of his career, to surpass Duchene and take over sole possession of 10th place on the franchise's all-time assist list.

QUOTES

Colorado C Nathan MacKinnon

On Getting The Win: "It was great. You know, it was a really big win for us as a group. I thought we got a little lucky, a couple overturned, but we'll take it. That's a really good team."

On Tonight's Game: "I thought they outplayed us definitely in the first and then we had a good second and third. Like I said, we got fortunate that two came back for us."

Colorado LW Andre Burakovsky

On The Team's Performance: "Just look at what we are doing: we're blocking shots, we're battling in front of our own net, we're making it hard for them. That's what we want to do. I mean obviously, Grubi's (Colorado G Philipp Grubauer) standing on his head a bunch of times [tonight] and our video coach did a really good job with the offside and goalie interference, so we kind of dodged a bullet a little bit there and came back strong in the third and that's something we have to continue to do. A lot of teams get tired in the third and can't keep up the pace and that's something that we can take advantage of. We are a young team, a lot of good skaters here that can make it tough for the other teams."

On His Goal: "We kind of knew what they were going to do on the faceoff and just trying to read it a little bit and I don't think their guy was fully awake when I kind of jumped by him. I think I got a couple [of] strides on him and the D-man too. He turned his back on me and as soon as he does that, you can create a lot of time by pulling up like I did and then just trying to shoot at the net. I mean, we've been talking about getting pucks to the net all of the time and that's just something that was in my mind and obviously a lucky post and in."

Colorado G Philipp Grubauer

On Tonight's Game: "I don't think we played our best game. We dodged a bullet here. I don't think the first half of the game was our best in terms of executing plays, but then we got going and we had like one shift in the last period where we were all over them and then we kind of started getting going. It was really good, really big game for us."

On Playing Against Boston: "They are a really good team. They aren't known as a fast team but they are really structured and they'll beat you with their structure and they are consistent. Coming back from a 2-0 deficit is pretty strong. We have the firepower in here to skate the right way. I don't think a lot of teams can keep up with us and we found a way [tonight]."



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Boston LW Jake DeBrusk

On The Overtaken Goals: “Anytime you get production finally and it gets taken away from you, you know twice, it’s just one of those things where you almost don’t believe it but at the same time that’s how things are going for me.”

On Tonight’s Game: “They had some time off as well, I don’t think they played [since] Saturday or something like that. We expected their speed in waves and even playing here in previous years they come hard to start so we just tried to get the lead and then go from there. Obviously, it was not how we wanted it to finish.”

Boston C David Krejci

On Their Road Trip: “Obviously it’s frustrating to lose the last game. I felt like we had a good start, just a couple tough bounces. You know, overall, six out of eight points [is] not bad, but we feel in here we could have easily had eight.”

On Tonight’s Game: “Overall, I thought it was decent game. My line and some of our lines, especially my line, we know there [is] some room to improve. We got to clear out the neutral zone, forecheck, get through the neutral zone clearly and make something happen. I felt like it was coming along but some parts of the game as my line we weren’t sharp enough. We have to be better next time.”