POSTGAME NOTES & QUOTES
ANAHEIM DUCKS 4, COLORADO AVALANCHE 3 (OT)
MARCH 4, 2020

First Star
Rickard Rakell (1g, 1a)

Second Star
Gabriel Landeskog (1g, 2a)

Third Star
Nathan MacKinnon (1g, 1a)

TEAM STATISTICS

Avalanche
Shots: 35
Power Play: 2-3
Penalty Kill: 2-2
Faceoffs: 60%

Anaheim
Shots: 30
Power Play: 0-2
Penalty Kill: 1-3
Faceoffs: 40%

TEAM NOTES

The Avalanche is 15-3-2 over its last 20 games and has collected points in 19 of its last 22 contests (15-3-4). Colorado is 7-0-2 in its last nine games, matching its longest point streak of the season (Nov. 27 - Dec. 13, 8-0-1).

The Avalanche finished 2-for-2 on the penalty kill and has not surrendered a power-play goal in 10 consecutive games, killing 24 straight shorthanded situations. The Avs’ 10-game streak without allowing a power-play goal is the second-longest stretch in Avalanche history (since 1995-96).

Colorado finished 2-for-3 on the power play, the eighth time this season it has scored multiple man-advantage goals in a game.

The Avs’ seven shots in overtime are their most in the extra frame since Feb. 3, 2015 at Dallas (8 shots).

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Nathan MacKinnon registered two points (1g/1a) and now has 490 career points, moving past Alex Tanguay (488) to take sole possession of fourth place in Avalanche history and seventh place in franchise history in points.

MacKinnon’s third-period tally came on the power play and is his 55th career marker on the man advantage, moving him past Peter Forsberg for third place in power-play goals since the team moved to Denver.

Gabriel Landeskog extended his point streak to a season-best six games, his longest point streak since Feb. 12-22, 2015 (also six games). The Avalanche captain has collected eight points (3g/5a) over that stretch. Landeskog recorded three points for the first time this season and first time since March 1, 2019 at San Jose (0g/3a).

Tyson Jost notched two assists and now has six points (2g/4a) over his last five outings. Jost has registered 15 helpers this season, matching his career high set during the 2018-19 campaign.

Vladislav Namestnikov scored his second goal in as many games and now has three points (2g/1a) in five games since being acquired by the Avalanche on Feb. 24.
QUOTES

Colorado LW Gabriel Landeskog
On Tonight’s Game: “It was a tight-checking game. I don’t think it was anything crazy, but they obviously have a lot of pride to play for and a lot of young guys, a lot of new guys trying to impress a new team. I thought we responded pretty good. I thought we gave them two easy goals at the start of the first. Pace in the second period went down a little bit and that’s on us. Overall, I think we were the better team tonight and I thought we should have won this one, but you let them hang around and you don’t capitalize on your chances. We had plenty of them and you end up with one point. We just have to start a new streak I guess.”

On The Power Play: “I think we could have probably had another one or two maybe. You know, we had some scoring chances. Sometimes the power play plays well and you don’t get rewarded. Sometimes you don’t play that well and you get rewarded, so funny how it works, but I thought tonight we did some good things. Obviously, getting two was I think fair and we have to continue to keep working. Obviously with some guys missing, we are changing up the units a little bit here and there, but I like what we are doing right now and getting some reps and drawing up some plays together, so got to keep working at it.”

Colorado C Tyson Jost
On Tonight’s Game: “We wanted two points. We did do a good job of battling back. I don’t think we gave them a lot of scoring chances. [We] hit a couple of posts, had two breakaways there in overtime. G (Colorado D Samuel Girard) had one and I had one, we just couldn’t get the puck to settle down and then they go down and score with one second left, it’s frustrating. It’s really tough to swallow, but yeah we did get one point. Obviously in this dressing room we have high expectations and we wanted two points.”

On Playing In Tight Games: “It’s playoff hockey, you are going to have to learn how to win those games, be in those situations. So, we are doing a good job of that and I think we are playing really tight defensively. I don’t think we are giving up much. We got to keep doing that because that’s playoff hockey and that’s the hockey we want to be playing.”

Anaheim LW Rickard Rakell
On His Goal: “First on the backcheck there Getzy (Anaheim C Ryan Getzlaf) did a good job. I just picked up the puck in the corner, so I had some eyes, looked at the clock and everyone was just yelling at me to shoot the puck. I just tried to do something quick there and get a shot off and it was nice to see it go in.”

On Getting The Win: “It means a lot, even though it’s only been two games it was a back-to-back for us and especially ending up here we knew it was going to be a tough game. They’re a skilled fast team and I thought we did a good job [tonight] especially defending, Millsy (Anaheim G Ryan Miller) was unbelievable in net so we’re absolutely going to take these two points and enjoy it.”

Anaheim G Ryan Miller
On Tonight’s Game: “We talked about just staying together and trying to have a group in whatever zone we were in and I thought the guys did a good job tonight working together.”

On The 2-On-0 In Overtime: “Luckily it kind of just turned into a breakaway, I could just focus on one guy and was able to make a read on the shot. It hit me in a good spot, so it was nice to make a couple saves and then watch Ricky (Anaheim LW Rickard Rakell) put one in.”