

NHL MORNING SKATE – MARCH 15, 2019

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Home Team in Caps

Pittsburgh 5, BUFFALO 0
NY ISLANDERS 2, Montreal 1
Washington 5, PHILADELPHIA 2
OTTAWA 2, St. Louis 0
Tampa Bay 5, DETROIT 4
Dallas 4, MINNESOTA 1
WINNIPEG 4, Boston 3
ARIZONA 6, Anaheim 1
Nashville 3, LOS ANGELES 1
Florida 4, SAN JOSE 2

THREE HARD LAPS: QUICK HITS FROM THURSDAY

* Stars goaltender **Ben Bishop** established a franchise record for longest shutout streak before leaving the game at 6:33 of the second period.

* The Lightning matched their franchise record for most wins in a season with 11 games remaining in the 2018-19 campaign.

* The Coyotes' penalty kill continued to shine with another shorthanded goal, equaling their 30-year-old franchise record for most in a season.

BISHOP ESTABLISHES FRANCHISE RECORD FOR LONGEST SHUTOUT STREAK

Stars goaltender **Ben Bishop** (7 saves) extended his career-high shutout streak to 230:53 before leaving the game at 6:33 of the second period, the longest in the NHL this season. He established a [Stars/North Stars franchise record for longest shutout streak](#), eclipsing the previous mark of 219:26 set by **Ed Belfour** from Nov. 15-29, 2000.



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* **Roope Hintz** scored his second straight game-winning goal to help the Stars (37-28-5, 79 points) improve to 6-1-0 in their last seven contests and move past the Blues (36-27-7, 79 points) for third place in the Central Division standings. Hintz can become the third rookie in NHL history to score the winning goal in three consecutive team games when the Stars host the Golden Knights tonight at American Airlines Center; he would join New Jersey's **Patrik Elias** from Oct. 27 – Nov. 1, 1997 and Edmonton's **Andrew Cogliano** from March 7-11, 2008.

LIGHTNING MATCH FRANCHISE RECORD FOR MOST WINS IN A SEASON

The League-leading Lightning (54-13-4, 112 points) overcame a 3-0 deficit to earn their 54th win of 2018-19 and match their franchise record for most in a season, a mark set in 2017-18 (54-23-5, 113 points). Tampa Bay became the fourth team in NHL history to record 54 or more wins in consecutive seasons.

54+ WINS IN CONSECUTIVE SEASONS



NHL HISTORY

MONTREAL CANADIENS

1975-76 (58 W), 1976-77 (60 W), 1977-78 (59 W)

BOSTON BRUINS

1970-71 (57 W), 1971-72 (54 W)

WASHINGTON CAPITALS

2015-16 (56 W), 2016-17 (55 W)

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

2017-18 (54 W), 2018-19 (54 W)



#NHLStats

* The Lightning moved within eight wins of matching the [NHL record for most in a season](#), a mark set by the Red Wings in 1995-96 (62-13-7, 131 points). Tampa Bay has 11 games remaining in the 2018-19 campaign.

AROUND THE RINKS

Other highlights from Thursday's 10-game slate:

* **Brett Connolly** (2-1—3) factored on three of five goals to help the Metropolitan Division-leading Capitals (42-22-7, 91 points) improve to 8-1-0 in their last nine games. Connolly has established single-season career highs for goals, assists and points in 2018-19 (19-20—39 in 71 GP).

* **Anders Lee** scored the go-ahead goal with 2:57 remaining in regulation as the Islanders (41-22-7, 89 points) improved to 4-1-0 in their last five games. Lee became the second player in franchise history to score a winning goal in the final five minutes of regulation in a game against the Canadiens, joining **Jean Potvin** on [Oct. 14, 1975 \(5-3 W\)](#).

* **Mark Scheifele** (1-2—3) scored his team-leading 33rd goal of the season to help the Central Division-leading Jets (41-25-4, 86 points) snap a two-game slide (0-2-0). Scheifele established a career high for goals in a season, eclipsing his previous mark of 32 set in 2016-17 (32-50—82 in 79 GP).

* **Oliver Ekman-Larsson** opened the scoring while shorthanded and **Vinnie Hinostroza** (3-0—3) scored the first hat trick of his NHL career as the Coyotes (36-30-5, 77 points) improved to 10-2-0 in their last 12 games and strengthened their grip on the final Wild Card spot in the Western Conference standings. Arizona scored its 15th shorthanded goal of 2018-19 and

matched a franchise record for most in a season, a mark set by the original Winnipeg Jets in 1988-89.

DID YOU KNOW?

* The Lightning improved to 15-0-0 in their last 15 regular-season games against Detroit dating to Feb. 3, 2016 (DET: 0-13-2), the longest win streak versus the Red Wings franchise in NHL history. Tampa Bay's 15-game run against Detroit is its longest regular-season win streak against one opponent in franchise history and the longest active run in the NHL.

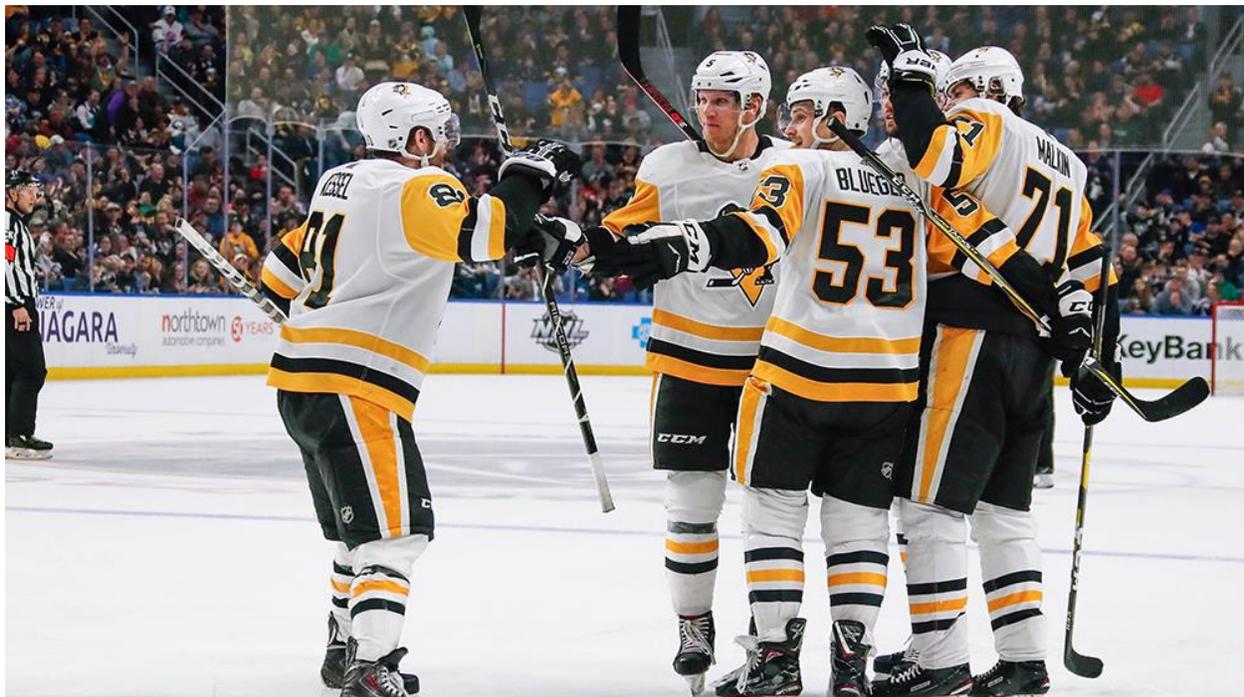
^The Bruins are 14-0-0 in their last 14 games against the Coyotes dating to Oct. 10, 2010 (ARI: 0-13-1)

* The Penguins improved to 15-0-3 in their last 18 games against the Sabres dating to Oct. 5, 2013 (BUF: 3-13-2), the longest active regular-season point streak by a team versus one franchise.

^Pittsburgh also owns the second-longest such run in the NHL with a point in 17 consecutive games against Edmonton dating to Dec. 5, 2007 (14-0-3)

* The Penguins improved to 9-0-2 in their last 11 road games against the Sabres dating to March 30, 2012 (BUF: 2-9-0), extending their franchise record for longest regular-season road point streak versus one franchise. Pittsburgh's 11-game run against Buffalo is tied for the NHL's longest active regular-season road point streak by a team versus one franchise.

^The Avalanche are 10-0-1 in their last 11 road games against the Bruins dating to March 24, 2001 (BOS: 1-9-1)



QUICK CLICKS

* [Nikita Kucherov boosts League-leading point total to 115](#)

- * [Steven Stamkos](#) ties [Vincent Lecavalier](#) for most goals in Lightning history
- * [Sportsnet](#) and [APTN](#) are teaming up to deliver the first ever Cree-Language NHL broadcast
- * [Brad Marchand](#) gives 'experience of a lifetime' to fan with chronic illness
- * [Chris Kreider](#) fined \$5,000 for actions in Rangers game against Canucks

SNEAK PEEK AT FRIDAY'S ACTION

TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE



FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH

<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> FLYERS 7:00 PM MAPLE LEAFS <i>TSN4, NBCSP+</i> </div>  </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> HURRICANES 7:00 PM BLUE JACKETS <i>TVAS, FS-0, FS-CR</i> </div>  </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> GOLDEN KNIGHTS 8:00 PM STARS <i>SN360, SNE, SNO, NHLN, FS-SW, ATTSN-RM</i> </div>  </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> DUCKS 9:00 PM AVALANCHE <i>ALT, FS-W</i> </div>  </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> RANGERS 9:00 PM FLAMES <i>SNW, MSG 2</i> </div>  </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">  <div style="margin: 0 10px;"> DEVILS 10:00 PM CANUCKS <i>SNP, MSG+</i> </div>  </div>
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