



Postgame Notes & Quotes

Stanley Cup Playoffs | Round 2 | Game 7

San Jose Sharks 3, Colorado Avalanche 2

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

The Avalanche/Nordiques franchise is now 6-8 all-time in Game 7s, including a 4-7 record since the team relocated to Denver.

The Avs were 3-for-3 on the penalty kill to finish the series 18-for-20 (90%).

Mikko Rantanen registered a goal to finish the postseason with 14 points (6g/8a), tied for the most in the league (San Jose's Logan Couture).

Gabriel Landeskog tallied an assist and had eight points (3g/5a) in the 2019 Stanley Cup Playoffs, a postseason career high, surpassing his previous high of seven points (4g/3a) during the 2018 playoffs.

Tyson Jost extended his goal streak to three games, tied for the longest such streak by an Avalanche player in the 2019 Stanley Cup Playoffs (Nathan MacKinnon and Mikko Rantanen). It's also a career-long goal streak for Jost (regular or postseason).

Alexander Kerfoot notched an assist, his third of the postseason. Kerfoot's three points (0g/3a) in the playoffs is a new postseason career high.

Erik Johnson recorded a postseason career-high five blocked shots.

Colorado LW Gabriel Landeskog

On The Game: "It's playoff hockey. For us, it's what we've done all year long. We're down, but we're not out. We're going to keep fighting. We had some good looks there at the end. If we were able to capitalize on some of those, and Jones made some big saves. It stings."

On The Season: "The fact that it was a great season and we had a lot of fun, and there are a lot of ups and downs, but the way we battled and the way we played for the last month of the regular season and this last four weeks of the playoffs, I'm proud of the group that we have. We've been counted out numerous times, but I think for us as a group we believe. I think it is a big step in the right direction."

Colorado C Nathan MacKinnon

On The Team Battling To The End: “We were buzzing. Kerf (Alexander Kerfoot) had a great look, Comph (J.T. Compher) had a great look, Mikko (Rantanen) had a good tip. We just couldn’t get one. (Martin) Jones was a wall. Just unfortunate. We tie it up there, we have some momentum, maybe the Sharks would have got a little tight. I don’t know. It would have been nice to see overtime.”

On The Season: “It’s obviously nice to take a step as an organization. We haven’t won a round in 10, 12 years, whatever it was. It’s good. It’s positive. It’s a young team, and everyone coming back next year. Our core is intact, everyone is under 25 or whatever it is. It’s very positive. We felt, especially with how the East was shaking out and with the West as well, that we could have won the Cup this year. It’s so disappointing. We truly felt that we could have won everything. It was up for grabs. It was the year of the upset.”

Colorado D Ian Cole

On The Team And Season: “Obviously faced a lot of adversity throughout the course of this year. Really proud of this team for the character that we showed. And not only the character but the resiliency and dedication to this team and sacrifice just to get through that tough stretch in the middle of the year and come out of the back end of it and play well. I think we did a lot of good things, and hopefully take those good things we did and continue to grow and continue to get better as we get older and mature. Obviously this year wasn’t good enough, so maybe better next year.”

On The Future Of The Team: “A lot of good character. As far as resiliency goes, we showed a lot over the course of the year, but I think we can do a better job on quite a few different things and kind of get to a more well-rounded game. Playoffs are so tight checking that it’s tough to spot other teams leads and try and come back. We did it a few times, but there is a reason why it is tough to score goals in the playoffs.”