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GAME RECAP - SO

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2024 - Honda Center
9-10-3, 21 pts.

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	GOALS					SHOTS					POWER PLAYS	
	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	G-OPP	%
DUCKS	2	0	1	0	3	11	13	6	4	34	1-3	33.3
SENATORS	1	1	1	0	3	8	11	10	2	31	1-4	25.0

ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME NOTES

The Anaheim Ducks won 4-3 in a shootout over the Ottawa Senators Sunday night at Honda Center. Anaheim improved to 5-2-1 the last eight games and 6-3-1 the last 10 overall. The Ducks also improved to 8-2-1 the last 11 games vs. Ottawa at Honda Center, and 14-5-4 on home ice all-time.

Anaheim opened the scoring for the 16th time this season, tying Minnesota for the most instances this season among NHL teams. The Ducks killed 3-of-4 Senators power play opportunities, killing 18-of-19 opposition power plays the last seven games (94.7%).

TROY TERRY extended his point/assist streak to four games (0-7=7, +4) with his second career three assist game (0-3=3) to match his prior single-game career high of three assists March 6, 2019 (0-3=3). Terry also scored his fourth career shootout-deciding goal to pass Saku Koivu, Chris Kunitz, Rickard Rakell and Trevor Zegras (all w/ 3) for sixth place on the franchise's all-time list.

FRANK VATRANO recorded his fifth and sixth goals of the season and added an assist for his 13th career three-point outing (2-1=3), his eighth since joining the Ducks in 2022-23, tying Troy Terry for the most among Ducks skaters in that time span.

RYAN STROME earned assists on both of Vatrano's goals for his sixth and seventh helpers of the season. He now has 1-2=3 points his last two games and is tied with Vatrano for second among Anaheim leaders in scoring (5-7=12).

JACKSON LACOMBE recorded his third goal of the season, setting a new single-season career high in goals (2 in 2023-24).

LUKAS DOSTAL stopped 28 shots in regulation and overtime, and denied both shootout attempts to win his sixth game this season (6-7-2). He is tied for fourth among league leaders in SV% (.921) and sixth in saves (479).

Tonight's attendance was 15,144. Anaheim will continue a four-game homestand vs. the Vegas Golden Knights Wednesday, Dec. 4 at Honda Center (7 p.m. PT).



ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME QUOTES

FRANK VATRANO

On his two goals and his live with Troy Terry and Ryan Strome driving the offense

I think we have been good all year. I think we are finally starting to get rewarded for the things we are doing. I think the biggest thing for us is that we know where each other is gonna be. We're always playing in sync and we know where our outs are. So it's not like we are trying to out skill teams we are just trying to out smart them and just play the right way. It is good to see us getting on the score sheet and we're getting wins because of it too, so it's been good.

On the physicality of the game

We knew they played last night, so we wanted to play that kind of rugged game and with them playing last night we knew we could wear them down. So, as long as we stayed out of the box and kept our composure, we [could] get the two points and that's what we did.

TROY TERRY

On the chemistry of his line with Frank Vatrano and Ryan Strome

I think whether the results are there or not, some games we make more plays than others, but every game I think we are just doing things the right way. Just trying to support each other, focus on the little things, and you know there is a stretch there where it felt like we were creating a lot that weren't going in. Obviously, our luck kind of changed tonight and Frankie [Frank Vatrano], it's great to see him score like he is. So, I think we are all different players and compliment each other well.

On the differences between tonight and previous close games

We have an identity as a team now, I think. But within that identity, I think we've got the skill to play kind of an open game where they are a very good rush hockey team and they are gonna be up and down the ice. Managing the game a little differently than say when we were playing LA last game and it's more physical in the corners, pucks along the wall and into the net. As a young team, it's just learning how the play is in those different games.

HEAD COACH GREG CRONIN

On the team keeping their composure

We talked about it after the second period. It got a little bit messy on the ice and then stop yelling at the referees, it's not going to change anything, just focus on what we need to do. I thought after the two period, we did a really good job even strength, like, those back-to-back powerplays that we killed in the second period, I think, took a little something out of us but, I thought we responded well and then, it was funny, in the third period, you know, we get up and they scored a couple minutes later and then the last ten minutes, you know, they seemed to pick up some momentum and we bent but we didn't break and I thought Dostal was really good in the net again.

On the fourth line bringing energy to the game

Yeah, they were terrific, I mean, after two periods I think they won every one of their shifts and then [Harkins] got a little bit dinged up in the third period so they didn't have a centerman so that's why I went down to three lines. But that line's been consistently a catalyst for positive energy and winning shots, it gets to a point where I was just putting them out there on the ice with whoever because [Harkins] was doing well on the draws and, I think, they just keep it simple. They put it in deep, they finish checks and they get the puck back.

On the penalty kill

I think Brent Thompson has done a great job communicating what their what we call route discipline, what your job is. When you have the discipline to do your job on the PK...I think it makes everyone's job easy. It puts the onus on the defensemen to figure out where the 2-on-1 might be at the goal line, so I'm not going to get into the mechanics of it. I think that's been spelled out really clearly and he's added some aggressiveness to it which has pushed people further away from our net and I think our forecheck and our clears have been way better.



OTTAWA SENATORS POSTGAME QUOTES

BRADY TKACHUK

On the game being a 'dig deep' performance

I think so. After another third period that we had in LA that was there for the taking for us, but just didn't find a way to get a point there so tonight was crucial that we played a solid effort and I think we did that tonight.

On not being satisfied with just earning three of six points on the road trip

Not really, I think at this point, all we care about is winning and whatever it takes to win and we have full belief in this group that things are going to turn up for us. You know, it's just time to dig in, dig deep and the answer's in that room and we're going to find it and be the best versions of ourselves when we do.

NICK COUSINS

On the game

I liked a lot of parts of our game, especially in the third period, I like how we responded when they scored early in the third and the bench didn't get quiet. Obviously, we were fortunate enough to get a goal right after and I thought after that we had lots of looks in the last 10 minutes of the third period to win it. I thought overall, a pretty good road trip. I mean, three out of six points, I think it's something to build off of for sure. We played in some tough buildings, but a shootout is a coin flip and they obviously got the better half of that. It'll be nice to get home and have some practice days here for our team and build on that and then have a nice homestand coming up. That's a big one for us.

On ending his goalless streak

There's always going to be lulls in the season, and for myself it was tough to find some energy there. Kind of reset here and [it was] nice to get one for the boys and just try and build on that and find my game again. Get that confidence going, move my feet, and that's when I'm at my best, but hopefully we can build on that.

HEAD COACH TRAVIS GREEN

On the game

I thought we played a pretty solid game. It might've been our best period of the road trip, the third and that's a good sign.

On depth scoring

You need that. Not just for one night, you need it throughout the course of the year. It was great to see. I thought we had a lot of guys that stepped up tonight and played a better game than they had in the past. Pint (Shane Pinto) started to look like the guy that we envisioned. Great to see Cousy (Nick Cousins), I thought Amadio had a strong game. I thought Docker (Jacob Bernard-Docker) and Tyler (Kleven) played well as well.