

POSTGAME QUOTES

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Saturday, March 2, 2024

Dallas Stars 3, San Jose Sharks 2 (shootout)

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DALLAS STARS

Stars Head Coach Pete DeBoer

On remaining calm throughout the game

"Those are important points. You don't get extra points for how pretty it was. [San Jose] were opportunistic and their goalie was good. When you have that combination, you have a chance to beat anyone on any night. That's the beauty of the NHL -- the parody night to night. You can't take anybody for granted. Their goalie made some saves, and we were chancing the game tonight because of that. But we stuck with it and found a way."

On the special teams tonight

"It was a huge penalty kill. In the third period and in overtime. Two critical kills. A couple of big saves from Jake [Oettinger] when we needed them at the right time, including in the shootout. Real important points."

Stars Forwards Jason Robertson

On the shootout

"I didn't feel that much pressure, you're the first guy going. Guys in the extra rounds have more pressure. I tried to make a move and it didn't work. Their goalie was on it tonight. It was the goaltending duo in the shootout for sure."

On Jamie Benn's game-winning goal

"[Jamie Benn] has hundreds of goals in this league. He might not want to go out in the shootout, but he's a goal scorer. That's what he's been doing his whole career. I'm sure he came out and knew what he wanted to do. He executed it for us and helped us get a big point."

Stars Forward Radek Faksa

On his goal in tonight's game

"I just told myself I would drive to the net every time hope for a bounce."

On managing frustration when the team doesn't convert on scoring chances

"It's frustrating. A little bounce can help towards the end of the season. It's important, especially how we tied the game. Tough battle with San Jose tonight. We're happy we won because it was a tough battle."

Stars Defenseman Esa Lindell

On remaining calm in a frustrating game

"Our game got better throughout the game. It was exactly what you said, it wasn't pretty. We got the win and that's all that matters. Move on and for sure we can play better, also."

On the importance of getting the two points

"It's huge. We need to find ways to win in different ways. In the end it doesn't matter how it comes. It just matters that you get it."

SAN JOSE SHARKS

Sharks Head Coach David Quinn

On Magnus Chrona's goaltending

"He was really good tonight. He was good when he needed to be. I liked our game too. We did a good job. They had that seven-minute blitz in the second period early, and we did a good job defending. We made it hard on them every step of the way. The faceoffs were killer -- they won almost 70% of the faceoffs. You're chasing the game a lot when you're losing that many faceoffs. Overall, we played a good hockey game."

On the performance of Filip Zadina, Luke Kunin and William Ecklund

"They're really keeping it simple, and they are playing at a good pace. They're getting pucks behind people when they need to, and they're making good decisions. [William Eklund] is playing really well and creating some opportunities for his linemates. Those two guys go hard, and they keep it simple. They are doing a good job through all three zones and getting rewarded for it offensively."

Sharks Forward Luke Kunin

On Magnus Chrona's performance tonight

"He was great tonight. He made some huge saves that kept us in the game. We had a pretty good game for the most part, but those during those stretches where we were giving up a lot, he was there to back us up. Great performance by him tonight."

On playing with William Eklund and Filip Zadina

"Both of them are very skilled players that can create a lot and do a lot with the puck. I'm just trying to play fast with those guys and get some space for them and some pucks and bodies in the net."

Sharks Forward Filip Zadina

On scoring his goal tonight

"We played pretty well as a line these last few games, and today, we just kept playing the same way and got the goal. I saw the puck going towards the goal line and behind it but wasn't really sure if it crossed the whole line. It did, so I'm really glad for that, but it didn't help us win the game."

On supporting Magnus Chrona

"He played a really good game and kept us above the water. He made huge saves. We just couldn't score more goals than the opposing team, and we didn't help him."

Sharks Goalie Magnus Chrona

On tonight's individual performance

"It means a lot. Especially, after last time and seeing the growth. I was enjoying every second of it. I was loving hockey out there and it was just awesome to be out there."

On the defensive performance

"It means a lot. It also shows the progress we have made as a team and it's a great building block to build off."