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GAME RECAP

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025 - Honda Center
22-24-6, 50 pts.

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	GOALS					SHOTS					POWER PLAYS	
	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	G-OPP	%
DUCKS	0	2	1	-	3	5	11	6	-	22	0-4	0.0
CANADIENS	2	0	0	-	2	10	6	7	-	23	1-4	25.0

ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME NOTES

The Anaheim Ducks scored three unanswered goals to earn a 3-2 comeback win over the Montreal Canadiens Sunday afternoon at Honda Center. The Ducks improved to 4-1-0 the last five games overall, and have also won three straight home games, outscoring opponents 14-5. Anaheim is also 6-1-1 the last eight games on home ice, outscoring the opposition 29-19 in that stretch. The Ducks also improved to 9-1-1 the last 11 meetings vs. Montreal at Honda Center.

The Ducks eliminated a two-goal deficit in the second period with goals from Mason McTavish (13:37) and Frank Vatrano (14:17) 40 seconds apart, with Alex Killorn scoring the game-winning goal at 11:11 of the third period. Anaheim now co-leads the NHL with eight third-period comeback wins, while the Ducks are one of six team this season to record four or more multi-goal comebacks wins.

MASON MCTAVISH opened the scoring for the Ducks with his 13th goal of the season. McTavish now has a four-game goal streak at Honda Center (6-0=6, +4), seven goals his last six games (7-1=8) and 10 points his last 10 outings overall (7-3=10). He tied Troy Terry (51) for the most goals by a Ducks player before their 200th game, trailing only Paul Kariya (114), Bobby Ryan (84), Ryan Getzlaf (58), Corey Perry (58) and Trevor Zegras (53).

FRANK VATRANO scored his 16th goal to extend his point-streak to three games (3-1=4) and tie Troy Terry for the team lead in goals this season. He also has scored five goals the last six games (5-1=6).

ALEX KILLORN scored the game-winning goal at 11:11 of the third period for his 11th of the season and added an assist for his fifth multi-point outing on the campaign (1-1=2).

LEO CARLSSON earned assists on McTavish and Killorn's goals to post his third multi-point outing of 2024-25 (0-2=2).

RADKO GUDAS skated in his 800th career NHL game, the 10th defenseman from Czechia to reach the milestone. In his last four outings, Gudas has registered a +5 rating.

TREVOR ZEGRAS and **RYAN STROME** also earned assists, with the latter registering points in 10 of his last 15 games (2-10=12). Since his return from injury Jan. 21, Zegras has posted 1-3=4 points in six games.

LUKAS DOSTAL stopped 21-of-23 shots to earn his 14th win of 2024-25, tying his career high set last season (14 wins in 52 appearances). Dostal has a season best three straight wins, marking the second time in his career with a win streak of three games or more (also Oct. 24, to Nov. 1, 2023; 4-0-0).

Tonight's attendance was 17,174, a sellout. The Ducks conclude a two-game homestand Tuesday, Feb. 2 when they host the Dallas Stars (7:30 p.m.).



ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME QUOTES

ALEX KILLORN

On the team's need for momentum during the first period

Yeah, a little sleepy to start, a one o'clock game we haven't played a ton of those this year. But, started slow and I think once Ross [Johnston] got that fight in it was a huge momentum shifter that got all of us into the game. He did a great job getting us into it.

On his game-winning goal in the third period

Yeah, coming in the zone I thought their D was going to step on me and I was looking at Mac [Mason McTavish] driving through so I was looking to hit Mac but they just kind of gave me a ton of room, so I just decided to take it and the shot goes in.

MASON MCTAVISH

On the game

Yeah, we were a little sloppy at the start then we got a couple goals in the second which kind of propelled us. Killer [Alex Killorn] had a big goal in the third so it was a good one.

On if the pace of the game affected the comeback

No, I think we have a lot of skill in here and we like to play fast too. Obviously, they're a really good team too, it was definitely a fast game and I think our team can play that style too.

On the game

I thought we played pretty fast, both teams did. We kind of capitalized on our chances and obviously got down to a slow start and battled back. It's a proud group.

HEAD COACH GREG CRONIN

On the team's response after a slow start

We were a little sleepy in the first. I thought Ross (Johnston) stepping up and having a fight created energy. I know it was a penalty afterwards and we were fortunate to kill that off, and (the fight) just got us going.

On Leo Carlsson's performance

I think he's had opportunities to get points in a lot of the games. We keep pushing him to get to the inside-outs, that's where all the scoring chances come from and I thought he was more physical tonight.

On Lukas Dostal

I've said in the past he's just wired differently or better than a lot of people I've been around in terms of his ability to focus and put things behind him. He's a professional. Everything he does in his life is with a purpose and that gives him a lot of mental toughness and confidence.

On both goaltenders giving the team confidence

Gibby's been around forever, right, so he's been through a lot of battles. I think (Lukas Dostal), like I said, is a mentally tough guy.



MONTREAL CANADIENS POSTGAME QUOTES

MIKE MATHESON

On the team's recent play

I think the breakdowns in our zone have been too often and too big. Mistakes are going to happen, that's part of the game. There's other good players on the team that are going to force you into tough situations, but I feel like we're giving too much up. I think when you get into a tough stretch, it can be easy to maybe lose a little confidence and start overthinking and feeling like you have to try and do everything instead of just knowing that all five guys on the ice are going to do their job and that'll take care of things.

On the game

We definitely played really well in the first period and took it to them. There was just that little stretch in the second period that they tied the game up that I think we lost a bit of confidence and maybe lost a bit of energy. We need to find a way to be able to reset, come back in the third and close the game out.

NICK SUZUKI

On the game

I think we got kind of complacent. Our first period wasn't that good, but we were up 2-0 and then we seemed we just couldn't really find anything. Little things that we messed up on, they capitalized on. It's a tough one, I think we just played pretty bad.

On how to bounce back after this performance

We have to come out next game and have our best game of the season. We can't be losing these games and fall back in the standings. We really have to find a way to win the next two on this road trip.

HEAD COACH MARTIN ST-LOUIS

On the team's performance after taking the lead

I think our level of urgency dropped, I think our execution dropped. I would say that's what it was.

On the team's recent run of form

I think when we had the good run there, we were finding ways to win, we weren't beating ourselves, playing patient, calculated. I think throughout this little stretch here, we're finding ways to lose, it's not like we're getting dominated but we're finding ways to lose, we're hurting ourselves, we're not as sharp, we don't execute. You know, we gotta get that back.

On his level of concern about the team's recent play

I mean, it's not the time of the season that you wanna get a slide so we gotta stop the bleeding.