

POSTGAME QUOTES

D A L L A S S T A R S C O M M U N I C A T I O N S

Saturday, Jan. 6, 2024

Dallas Stars 3, Nashville Predators 4

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DALLAS STARS

Stars Head Coach Pete DeBoer

On tonight's loss

"We gave up 22 shots. I don't think we made that many mistakes. That was a fairly clean game. That was one of those games where the mistakes we made ended up in the net. You're not going to play mistake-free. That's just the way hockey goes. We just have to keep battling. [Scott Wedgewood]'s battling for us. He's probably running out of gas – we've asked a lot of him. On the other end, we've got to find a way. These goaltenders that we're playing seem to be coming up with some big saves."

On the performance of defenseman Thomas Harley

"He did a good job. We started with five forwards [on the power play]. We made an adjustment and put him back out there on the power play, and he made a good play for the power-play goal. He's going to have to eat some minutes up here with Miro [Heiskanen] out."

On the Stars' difficulties entering the offensive zone

"They're a good team. They have something to do with that. They have a big, heavy defense and veteran guys that make it tough for you to enter the zone. It's a similar game to the one in Nashville that we found a way to win. There's not a lot of room out there. There's not a lot of time. You've got to work for your ice. I'm sure with Miro, we do enter a little more cleanly, but we don't have Miro, so we have to find other ways."

Stars Forward Tyler Seguin

On tonight's loss

"We've been talking about it a little bit lately – we're never worried about scoring goals in here. It's about how we're defending. We don't want to give up four."

On missing defenseman Miro Heiskanen due to injury

"You're always going to miss a guy like Miro, but like we've said before, it's a great opportunity for other guys in here. It's a great opportunity for our forwards to help out our defense more. We didn't a good enough job tonight."

Stars Forward Jason Robertson

On the defensive mistakes in tonight's game

"Some of the breakdowns are some stuff that we know we can fix. It's something that has been a staple for us for a while. We just need to clean that up."

On the power-play opportunities

"On the first power play we only had a minute left, so we couldn't really get anything going. We couldn't break in. We just won the draw on the second one and, Thomas [Harley] got one through as a lot of defensive players do, and we got a tip on it."

Stars Defenseman Thomas Harley

On tonight's game and getting more ice time

"My minutes have been trending upwards in the past month. I had 23 or 24 tonight, so that's new. I've always felt like the more I'm on the ice, the better I play, so that's always nice for me. I just got to do more with it."

On the offsides call against the Stars

"It's a game of bounces. Obviously, that goal getting called off was huge and go back down to score another one on us. We just got to overcome them and keep working through."

NASHVILLE PREDATORS

Predators Head Coach Andrew Brunette

On tonight's response after Thursday's loss to the Flames

"It was a hard hockey game. It had some momentum swings, and we hung in there. For our group, it was a good going moment for us after going through some games where we lost momentum. We're up 2-0 and able to find our game that we lost. For me, that's a positive."

On building on this game moving forward

"It's a tough building against a really good hockey team. They're well coached and won't give you a lot of room. To grind through it, to find ways to have poise in difficult positions, for our group, that's important."

Predators Forward Filip Forsberg

On tonight's win following a loss

"It was great. We played the way we have to play, especially in the first and the third period to be successful. That's something we have to learn from and also seeing what kind of effort it takes. This was a good win."

On the performance of goaltender Kevin Lankinen

"He's definitely not a backup goalie. We just happen to have another guy who's pretty good too on our team. He's been great for us every time we needed him. Tonight was no different."

Predators Forward Gustav Nyquist

On forward Filip Forsberg's goal

"That's what Fil does. Two big goals in the third period when we needed them the most. Two great goals, but overall, it was a great effort. We stuck with it in the third period team-wise and I liked it. That's how you win in this league against a good team, and we did a good job."

On goaltender Kevin Lankinen's performance tonight

"He was great today. Obviously, there's no question about it. That's a hard job. You don't play that many games, so to stay focused and come in and play as well as he does every time – he gets in there and he's been great again this year. Tonight was no different."