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GAME RECAP

Wednesday, Oct. 16 - Honda Center
2-1-0 4 pts.

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	GOALS					SHOTS					POWER PLAYS	
	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	G-OPP	%
DUCKS	1	2	1	1	5	11	10	12	1	34	0-5	0.0
UTAH	2	0	2	0	4	10	8	12	0	20	1-2	50.0

ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME NOTES

The Anaheim Ducks opened their 2024-25 home schedule with a 5-4 overtime win in their first-ever meeting with the Utah Hockey Club. Anaheim extended its home opener win streak to nine games, tied with Boston and Toronto for the longest active streak in the league. The Ducks also improved to 11-0-1 the last 12 home openers and 21-9-1 overall in 31 such contests.

LEO CARLSSON scored his first career overtime game-winning goal 54 seconds into the extra session to become the third teenager in Ducks history to score an overtime goal. He joined Cam Fowler (2, Feb. 11, 2011 & March 23, 2011) and Jamie Drysdale (Oct. 18, 2021) with his first OT goal and first goal of the season. Carlsson also earned his first assist of 2024-25 on the game-tying goal, his first multi-point effort this season (sixth career).

TREVOR ZEGRAS recorded his 100th career assist in his 214th game to become the fifth player in Ducks history to record 100 assists before age 24, joining Ryan Getzlaf (182), Paul Kariya (150), Cam Fowler (128) and Corey Perry (104). Among skaters to debut with the Ducks, only Paul Kariya (153 GP) and Ryan Getzlaf (198 GP) reached the mark in fewer games.

MASON MCTAVISH recorded two assists for his first multi-point outing of the season (0-2=2), becoming the third player in NHL history to record multiple points in each of his first four career home openers, joining Victor Olofsson (4 GP; 2019-20 to 2022-23) and Cy Denneny (4 GP; 1917-18 to 1920-21). In addition to his two assists tonight, McTavish has earned his multiple points Oct. 15, 2023 vs. CAR (0-2=2), Oct. 12, 2022 vs. SEA (0-2=2, both primary assists) and Oct. 13, 2021 vs. WPG (1-1=2).

PAVEL MINTYUKOV tallied his first career multi-goal game with goals at 16:52 of the second period and the game-tying goal with 5:05 left in regulation.

TROY TERRY opened the scoring for the Ducks at 4:40 of the first period, his second goal of the campaign with Ryan Strome and Frank Vatrano recording their first assists of the season.

ROBBY FABBRI recorded Anaheim's second goal of the night at , his first goal as a Duck.

BRIAN DUMOULIN earned an assist on Mintyukov's first goal, his first point as a Duck.

LUKAS DOSTAL improved to 2-0-0 on the season after making 26 saves in regulation and overtime.

Tonight's attendance was 17,245, a sellout including standing room only. Anaheim will visit the Colorado Avalanche on Friday, Oct. 18 at Ball Arena (6 p.m. PT, Victory+ / FOX Plus Ch. 13) before returning home to face the Los Angeles Kings on Sunday, Oct. 22 at Honda Center (5 p.m. PT).



ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME QUOTES

TREVOR ZEGRAS

On the pace of the game

We knew it was going to be a bit of a track meet. As much as we could, we tried to not play a track meet but they're so young, skilled and fast that you kind of have to respect their speed. Stay to the inside and just play tough, so it was a really good game.

On not letting the game get away

I think it helps when you're getting offensive zone time and you're getting scoring chances. Like I said, you knew they were a fast team with a lot of skill. Obviously, they've played a bunch of games now, so you just have to try to limit their odd man rushes. Like I said, play on the inside, block some shots and when you get a chance to put it in the back of the net, you have to score.

On the feeling on the bench after going down 4-3

It was good, I thought we were playing good. I thought we were shooting the puck, getting to the front of the net. We were utilizing the back of the net and trying to find guys in the slot. We played hard and got rewarded there at the end, tying it up. Then it was the Leo Carlsson show in overtime.

LEO CARLSSON

On the game

We played a good game. They played a tough game too. They're going to force us to make turnovers, which they did a lot. It was a tough game for us and for them, but it was fun.

On Pavel Mintyukov

He's a great offensive defenseman. I love playing with him and he's joining the rush a lot, so it's fun.

PAVEL MINTYUKOV

On the game

It was great. Wednesday night, full building, home opener, can't be better.

On playing with Brian Dumoulin

It feels great to have this mature player with me. He helps me all over the ice, supports, talks. It feels great.

On the growth of the team's young players

I think it started last season. Right now, we just need to keep getting better. The whole team.

HEAD COACH GREG CRONIN

On Leo Carlsson's shift in overtime

I didn't see it. I told him, 'make sure you win the faceoff' because when he wins the draw, he's probably going to get the first scoring chance. I saw him lose that and I was getting the next pair get ready to get on the ice and it was to my right so when he did recover the puck I think he either stripped Sergachev or laid on the boards or something, I didn't see him score I just saw the crowd go crazy.

On Robby Fabbri's impact on the team

I was looking at Fabbri after the game and he was completely exhausted. He does everything right. You talk about role models and we have these six 21-year-old kids and younger and what a blessing to have Robby on the ice in practice, on the bench during the games, playing the way he plays, he does everything right, he has a positive attitude. He has a really nice demeanor to him, you know he won a Stanley Cup in St. Louis as a really young kid, had some really terrible injuries and he's come back from that and the more I watch him, the more I appreciate him.



UTAH HOCKEY CLUB POSTGAME QUOTES

MICHAEL KESSELRING

On the game

I thought we were solid at times. We just made a few mistakes. They're a good team on the rush, we had to limit them a little bit more, but at least we got one point out of it and battled the whole game.

On creating more chances off the rush

I think we just got to get pucks to the net, be a little more simple. Obviously, we have a lot of skill and we want to make plays, but sometimes we have to dumb it down a little bit and get pucks to the net.

HEAD COACH ANDRE TOURIGNY

On the game

I think they fought really hard. I really liked our battle, our competitiveness. You know, that's five points out of eight on that trip. It's a comeback in the third when we were down by one after two. All in all, there's a lot of positives.

On three of their last five games going to overtime

It's tough to ask for more right now in the sense of like, Bortuzzo went down in the third. I don't know exactly what his status is, but we finished the game with five [defenseman] and it was a long trip. I think the energy we had, the fight we had, you could see a little mental fatigue, some mistakes and keeping our emotions in check but in terms of character and fighting for the team, I think it's an A+.

On getting chances off the rush

We played against a team where we're really stingy defensively early on, but I think we found a way to create some good chances in the second part of the game. I think on the other side, we need to be better on our rush against. We gave up too many looks, [too much space on the rush]. It's not an odd man rush, it's an even man rush where we need to work on our coverage.