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GAME RECAP Friday, March, 7, 2025 - Honda Center

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	GOALS					SHOTS					POWER PLAYS	
	1	2	3	ОТ	TOTAL	1	2	3	ОТ	TOTAL	G-OPP	%
DUCKS	1	0	2	-	3	8	7	8	-	23	1-4	25.0
BLUES	1	1	2	-	4	10	6	6	-	22	0-1	0.0

ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME NOTES

The Anaheim Ducks fell 4-3 to the St. Louis Blues Friday night at Honda Center. Despite the setback, Anaheim is 9-5-1 the last 15 games overall and 5-2-0 the last seven games at home.

SAM COLANGELO netted his third goal to extend his goal streak to three games (3-1=4, +3). Colangelo is the fourth rookie this season to score goals in three straight games, joining Macklin Celebrini (SJS, 3 GP), Will Smith (SJS, 3 GP) and Fedor Svechkov (NSH, 3 GP). He is also the first Ducks rookie with a three-game goal streak since Brandon McMillan (3 GP from Feb. 9-13, 2011) and Cam Fowler (3 GP from Jan. 22 to Feb. 2, 2011) during the 2010-11 season.

FRANK VATRANO scored his team-leading 19th goal of the season and added an assist for 1-4=5 points his last four. Vatrano now has 7-6=13 points his last 11 home games.

TROY TERRY earned his team lead in points with two assists, marking his 29th and 30th helpers of the season. Terry now has 3-9=12 points his last 10 games at Honda Center.

ALEX KILLORN scored his 13th goal of the season at 19:17 of the third period for his seventh point his last seven games at home (4-3=7).

JACKSON LACOMBE earned the primary assist on Colangelo's goal for his 10th point his last eight games (2-8=10, +7). Lacombe has also scored 3-12=15 points with a +9 rating his last 14 contests. Since Jan. 1, LaCombe ranks tied for ninth among all NHL defensemen in points (5-15=20) and tied for seventh in assists.

MASON MCTAVISH earned his 19th assist of the season to extend his point-streak to three games (2-2=4). McTavish has recorded 12 points his last 12 games on home ice (8-4=12).

LUKAS DOSTAL made 18 saves in his 39th appearance of 2024-25 and is now 7-2-1 his last 10 appearances.

Tonight's attendance was 15,196. The Ducks continue their three-game homestand Sunday, March 9 vs. the New York Islanders (6 p.m. PT).



ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME QUOTES

JACKSON LACOMBE

On mistakes early leading to goals

For sure, I think that we were just a little sloppy to start the game and I don't think we got our legs moving till the end of the game. We got to figure out a way to come out with that same energy.

On chasing the playoff this season and what to change for future games
Yeah, it just starts a little game at a time. I think we are not going to put any pressure on ourselves to fuel the need any other way than we do right now. Obviously, we know how important these
games are and just go from there.

SAM COLANGELO

On his foundation for scoring since being brought up I'm a pretty big guy to strike it to the front of the net and find ways to score. I think I have a pretty good shot, but if I can find any way to score I will take it in this league. It is a hard league to score in and ultimately I just wish we could've got the win there.

On getting brought back up and the sense of urgency found from the team for a playoff spot Yeah, we need these points. But, like you said, I think if we play with the same urgency as we did in the last ten minutes the results would have been a bit different. So again, pucks back on the forecheck and sustaining more time in the O-zone. Yeah, it's an urgent group. I don't think it was a lack of effort. I think it was a bit of a disconnected game all around for the both teams and they [St. Louis Blues] were fortunate enough to capitalize on their bounces. Urgent group that we have in here and I know we won't quit.

HEAD COACH GREG CRONIN

On the power play

Well the power play had chances, we scored a power play goal, I think we could've shot the puck more after the first one. We didn't handle the puck well tonight. It was an odd game to watch from the bench. We weren't accurate with our passing and we didn't execute. Just coming in and out, we'd get it then it'd go away, then we'd get it then it'd go away so it's just disappointing.

On the team's start to the game

I mean the first shift was odd when Radko [Gudas] had it on his stick, and it clipped off his stick and they get an unbelievable chance. Then, it was just some really strange bounces. I mean, their second goal, we had it, we had full possession and we lost it and we were all heading out for a breakout thinking it was a clean exit then three seconds later it's in the back of our net. It was just that type of night, it was just strange, a lot of weird bounces and we were on the receiving end of them and they got them. I thought it was a fairly tight game in terms of the checking, the shots were down, there wasn't a lot of multiple scoring chances. Usually when these games get exciting, the shot-rebound, rebound-shot, tonight was kind of like a one-and-done game for the scoring chances.

CAM FOWLER

On seeing Ryan Getzlaf, the gift he received from the Samueli family and seeing Anaheim staff members It was amazing, I mean, Getzy is a true, dear friend of mine so for him to take the time to come in and support me meant the world to me. I can't say enough about Henry and Susan [Samueli], the whole organization and just making me feel welcomed and special in my return, so very grateful to everybody for making it a pretty special night for me.

On his return to Anaheim

Yeah, it was good. A lot of emotion, obviously. I just wanted to make sure I embraced everything, just took it all in as best as I could but I appreciate all the support that everyone gave me. It was a big two points for our team, too so I tried to focus on that as much as I could once all the emotion all kind of settled down.

BRAYDEN SCHENN

On the game

(Anaheim) is playing good hockey over there. You may look in the standings and see them a little bit below, but they come at you fast, they have a lot of young talent and they played us hard. I didn't think it was our best game tonight from goal line to goal line, but we found a way. Binner (Jordan Binnington) was good, penalty kill was good and we'll go from there.

On the difference of their play since the 4 Nations Faceoff

Simply playing for each other. Little details of a hockey game wins you games and that's blocking shots, winning battles and changing for each other. Setting each other up and putting each other in a good spot. When that happens you kind of see the bench where it's at right now, too. When goals are going in, guys are very happy for each other which you may not see for a full 82 games. Guys feel the emotion of the playoff push and we got to keep this going.

HEAD COACH JIM MONTGOMERY

On the game

First period, the first five minutes were good. The last 15 were not. I didn't think our intensity was at the level that we've been at and then I thought in the second after killing a couple more penalties we got to our game. I thought that the second goal by (Brayden) Schenn allowed us to later get to 3-1. It was a good example of us playing to our identity. Putting it in, Rouzy (Jordan Kyrou) gets on top of it, you get a turnover and you make a real nice little slot play for a high-end goal. I just thought everybody in the third, our shifts were shorter, game management was good. I don't think we gave very much up in the third until they scored that second goal.

On Alexey Toropchenko scoring

Really happy. He's a selfless player that plays the right way. He's a Blue. Blocks shots, finishes checks, will do anything for his team.