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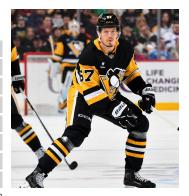
Rickard Rakell has been having his best season as a member of the Penguins. leading the team with 25 goals and ranking second behind only Sidney Crosby with 49 points.

- Rakell enters today's game just two points away from hitting the 500 career point mark.
- With two more points, Rakell, who was drafted 30th overall in 2011, will become the 12th member of his draft class to reach 500 career points.
- Rakell is set to become the 37th Swede in NHL history to hit the 500-point mark, and just the 12th active Swede to do so. Among those 12 players, Rakell is looking to become the eighth fastest to hit the mark:

Games to 500 Points

Active Swedish-Born Players

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8.	Rickard Rakell	781*
7.	Elias Lindholm	719
6.	Gabriel Landeskog	672
5.	Mika Zibanejad	669
4.	Erik Karlsson	613
3.	Filip Forsberg	601
2.	William Nylander	574
1.	Nicklas Backstrom	501



*Entering today's game

■ Rakell enters today's game one point away from hitting the 50-point plateau for the fourth time in his career.

SULLY SAYS

Mike Sullivan enters today's game one win away from recording his 400th win behind the Penguins bench.

■ Coach Sullivan is looking to become the ninth-fastest head coach in NHL history to record 400 wins with a single franchise:

Games to 400 Wins W/One Team

Head Coaches in NHI History

	9.	Mike Sullivan	732*
	8.	Toe Blake	724
 	7.	Claude Julien	716
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	5.	Scotty Bowman	679
	4.	Joel Quenneville	678
	3.	Mike Babcock	676
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*Entering today's game

- Coach Sullivan is set to become the only American-born head coach to hit the milestone with a single franchise.
- Pittsburgh's bench boss is the franchise's all-time leader in games coaches (732), wins (399), playoff games (82) and playoff wins (44).

GENO CALLS GAME

Evgeni Malkin capped off a four-point game with his 14th career overtime winner, assisted by Erik Karlsson and Kris Letang, to secure the Penguins two points on Thursday against Philadelphia.

■ Malkin's overtime goal marked his 44th career overtime point, which is the second most in NHL history behind only teammate Sidney Crosby:

Overtime Points

NHL History

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1.	Sidney Crosby	47
2.	Evgeni Malkin	44
3.	Patrick Kane	42
3.	Connor McDavid	42
5.	Alex Ovechkin	41



■ Two all-time overtime greats themselves, Karlsson and Letang, both tallied assists on Malkin's goal. The defensive duo ranks first and second among blueliners in NHL history in overtime points:

Overtime Points

Defensemen in NHL History

1.	Erik Karlsson	39	4.	Seth
2.	Kris Letang	35	5.	Nick
3.	Brent Burns	32		

4.	Seth Jones	30
5.	Nicklas Lidstrom	26

MULTI-POINT MANIA

Evgeni Malkin and Erik Karlsson both potted two goals apiece on Thursday night against Philadelphia, leading to four-point and three-point games, respectively.

■ Thursday marked Malkin's first multi-goal game of the season and second four-point night. His 75 multi-goal games are the fifth most among active players, while his 31 career four-point games are the fourth most:

Multi-Goal Games Active Players

Alex Ovechkin	178
Sidney Crosby	103
Steven Stamkos	99
Auston Matthews	79
Evgeni Malkin	75
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Four-Point Games

Active Players

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1.	Sidney Crosby	42	
2.	Connor McDavid	40	
3.	Alex Ovechkin	32	
4.	Evgeni Malkin	31	
4.	Nikita Kucherov	31	

■ Karlsson recorded his first multi-goal game since Nov. 11, 2023. His 18 career multi-goal games are the second most among active blueliners:

Multi-Goal Games

Active Defensemen

1.	Roman Josi	22
2.	Erik Karlsson	18
3.	Kris Letang	17

4.	Brent Burns	15
5.	Cale Makar	14

■ Malkin enters tonight's game with points in eight-consecutive home games played dating back to Dec. 10 (5G-8A-13PTS). Karlsson has an active six-game home point streak (2G-7A-9PTS), which is the longest active such streak by a defenseman.