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71 WITHOUT 87

The Penguins will be without Captain Sidney Crosby for a minimum of four weeks due to a lower-body injury, it was announced last week.

- Evgeni Malkin has historically risen to the occasion when his longtime teammate has missed significant time.
- In 152 career games without Crosby in the lineup, Malkin has a 1.33 points-per-game average compared to a 1.08 points-per-game average in 1,106 games alongside Crosby:

Malkin's Stats Breakdown		
Stat	With Crosby	Without Crosby
Games	1,106	152
Goals	450	77
Assists	741	125
Points	1,191	202
Points/GP	1.08	1.33

- Malkin has 22 goals, 52 assists and 74 points in 57 career games against the Sabres. His 74 points are the second most among all active players.

YOUNG GUN

Ben Kindel, who is the youngest forward in the league this season, has seven goals over his last 10 games, including his 15th of the season on Sunday afternoon against Vegas.

- Kindel's seven goals in 10 games since January 25 are the third most in the NHL in that span:

Goals

Since January 25

1. Leon Draisaitl	8
1. Filip Forsberg	8
3. Ben Kindel	7
3. Matt Boldy	7
3. Kirill Kaprizov	7



- Kindel's 15 goals this season are the fourth most by any rookie in the NHL:

Goals

Rookies in 2025-26

1. Matthew Schaefer	20
2. Beckett Sennecke	19
2. Oliver Kapanen	19
4. Ben Kindel	15
5. Fraser Minten	14



- Kindel leads all rookies this season with four game-winning goals. His four game winners are tied with nine others for the fifth most by an 18-year-old in a season in NHL history. The only others with more are Patrik Laine (5 in 2016-17), Nathan MacKinnon (5 in 2013-14), Sidney Crosby (5 in 2005-06) and Wayne Gretzky (5 in 1979-80).

ARTY PARTY

Goaltender Arturs Silovs was named the NHL's Second Star of the Week after going 2-0-0 with a .981 save percentage, 0.50 goals-against average and one shutout since the Olympic Break.

- Silovs has won five of his last six games and given up two goals or less in seven of his last nine starts, recording a 1.77 goals-against average and .934 save percentage in that span.
- Since January 10, Silovs leads all goaltenders in goals-against average and save percentage (min. 4 GP):

Goals-Against Average

Since Jan. 10

1. Arturs Silovs	1.77
2. John Gibson	1.98
3. Casey DeSmith	2.02
4. Devin Cooley	2.10
5. Brandon Bussi	2.10

Save Percentage

Since Jan. 10

1. Arturs Silovs	.935
1. Alex Lyon	.934
3. Devin Cooley	.932
4. Alex Nedeljkovic	.924
5. John Gibson	.922

- Stretching back further, he has earned points in 10 of his last 12 games played dating back to the NHL's Holiday Break, going 8-2-2 with a 2.16 goals-against average and .919 save percentage.
- The play of Silovs and Stuart Skinner since the NHL's Holiday Break has led the Penguins to earn points in 20 of the team's 24 games (16-4-4), while ranking towards the top of the league in several categories in that span:

NHL Ranks Since Dec. 27

Category	Stat	Rank
Wins	16	3rd
Win %	.750	3rd
Points	36	4th
Goals Against	53	1st
GAA	2.21	1st
Goal Differential	+41	1st

NEW ADDITIONS

First year Penguins make up three of the top-five goal scorers on the team - Anthony Mantha (2nd, 21), Justin Brazeau (4th, 16) and Ben Kindel (5th, 15).

- The Penguins have 73 goals by players in their first season with the team - a mark that ranks first in the NHL by a 14-goal margin:

Goals by New Players on Team

2025-26

1. Pittsburgh	73
2. Anaheim	59
2. San Jose	59
4. NY Islanders	53
5. Philadelphia	49



- Both of Pittsburgh's goaltenders, Silovs and Stuart Skinner, are also first-year Penguins and have helped lead the team to rank fourth in goals against (167) this season.