

POSTGAME QUOTES

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Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2024

Dallas Stars 4, Carolina Hurricanes 2

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DALLAS STARS

Stars Head Coach Pete DeBoer

On the third period challenge for goaltender interference

"A big challenge. I thought our video coaches were on it. They were confident in it. You still have to take a deep breath because it's a huge momentum swing, but they were confident and we're confident in them to get it right."

On tonight's game

"It was a good hockey game. You can see why they have been one of the elite team in the league for the last five or six years. They put a lot of pressure on you all over the ice. It was just a good hockey game with good goaltending at both ends and chances both ways. I really liked our game. We didn't have any passengers tonight. Everyone contributed. Jake [Oettinger] was great when we needed him to. Good win."

Stars Forward Jason Robertson

On tonight's performance

"We stuck to what our game plan was coming into it. Everyone bought in, and just tried to slow them down as much as we could. We did a pretty good job breaking the puck out tonight."

On tonight's win at home after the road trip and All-Star Break

"I would like to say that the road trip we just had was a little sloppy. Obviously, we are coming back from the All-Star break and then you throw us out on the road. It was a tough road trip. It was great that we had this game to get back into it and find our structure. Every line really contributed tonight."

Stars Defenseman Nils Lundkvist

On tonight's game

"It's great. As you said, it's a great test, and it was a pretty intense game. They came with a lot of gas, but we handled it pretty well. Fun game and a big win."

On his assist on Mason Marchment's goal

"I first had almost a breakaway – my first in like three years, so I tried to hold onto it. It didn't work out, but it worked the second time. Great shot by [Mason Marchment] and a great pass from [Matt Duchene] to me. Good goal."

Stars Goaltender Jake Oettinger

On tonight's game

"It felt good. Two good teams. They're heavy and come in waves. A lot of heavy, tough guys over there. Two good teams and a good win."

On the importance of tonight's win

"It's good. We are going to be tied going into the third in a lot of situations coming up, so you need that big goal, and be able to shut it down and make block shots. We did that."

CAROLINA HURRICANES

Hurricanes Head Coach Rod Brind'Amour

On tonight's loss

"We gave up breakaways, a couple really unfortunate bounces in the neutral zone. That led to some odd men rushes, and they capitalized. We had some odd men rushes in the first period and passed it instead of just firing at the net, so that put us behind the eight ball a little bit. But overall, we had a really good game. We were doing a lot of good

things. [Pyotr Kochetkov] made some great saves down there with a chance to tie it up. Bounces weren't going our way tonight."

On how they played tonight

"It was probably the best game we've played in a while. We weren't able to score enough. We thought we had one there. It's a tough game because we played hard, but it didn't go our way."

Hurricanes Forward Jordan Staal

On the difference in the game

"It was a good game, could have gone either way. We made a few mistakes, and they made us pay. They did a good job of capitalizing on their opportunities. We had some opportunities some good looks to tie it up and just came up short. It wasn't a terrible game, but it wasn't our best. There were some mistakes out there, and we gave them a few. The first one was a tough one for me too, but it was a good battle and a good game. But we have to find a way to get points."

On sticking to key components of their identity tonight

"We played a little better Hurricanes hockey. It was two good teams, and we were starting to get to our game a little bit better, especially in the last two. Just skating better and moving the puck quicker, but we just came up short tonight."

Hurricanes Forward Andrei Svechnikov

On the third period

"I don't know what to say. Overall, we played a pretty decent game. It was a very tight game out there. Small details went in their favor. We just got to reload and get ready for the next game."

On his goal

"That's usually where you score goals around the net. We have to find ways to get there. Today, I had one. We just have to find ways to get pucks in and get bodies. I had a good bounce there."