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# GAME RECAP

Monday, April. 7, 2025 - Honda Center  
34-35-8, 76 pts.

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	GOALS					SHOTS					POWER PLAYS	
	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	1	2	3	OT	TOTAL	G-OPP	%
<b>DUCKS</b>	0	2	1	-	3	6	7	8	-	21	0-2	0.0
<b>OILERS</b>	1	0	1	-	2	14	9	24	-	47	0-6	0.0

## ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME NOTES

The Anaheim Ducks opened a two-game homestand with a 3-2 win over the Edmonton Oilers Monday night at Honda Center. Anaheim went 3-1-0 against the Oilers in the four-game season series. The Ducks also improved to 4-1-0 the last five games at Honda Center and 14-6-1 the last 21 on home ice.

All three Anaheim goals were scored by skaters 22 and younger as the Ducks continue to lead the NHL in points (72-101=173) and goals by players 22 and under.

**CUTTER GAUTHIER** scored his 16th and 17th goals of the season in his third multi-goal outing (2-0=2). Gauthier's two goals bring his season totals to 40 points (17-23=40), becoming the seventh rookie in Ducks history to reach the milestone while his 17 goals are tied for the sixth most by a rookie in club history (also Mason McTavish in 2022-23). He has now scored 15 points his last 18 games (3-10=13, +10) and 8-9=17 points his last 21 outings.

**MASON MCTAVISH** scored his team-leading 21st goal while he reached 50 points for the first time in his career (21-29=50). He is the fifth-youngest Ducks player (22 years, 67 days) to reach the 50-point mark in a season, following Trevor Zegras (21 years, 12 days in 2021-22), Paul Kariya (21 years, 81 days in 1995-96), Ryan Getzlaf (21 years, 312 days in 2006-07), Zegras (21 years, 342 days in 2022-23) and Bobby Ryan (22 years, 12 days in 2008-09).

McTavish recorded 1-4=5 points his last four contests and 15-16=31 points his last 31 games (+10). He finished the season series with four goals in four games vs. the Oilers (4-1=5).

**LEO CARLSSON** earned the lone assist on Gauthier's first goal for his 21st helper of the season and eighth point his last seven contests (4-4=8). Carlsson has also scored 15 points his last 14 games overall (6-8=14, +7).

**TREVOR ZEGRAS** recorded his 19th assist this season, marking his ninth point his last nine games (4-5=9) while he extended his home point-streak to four contests (1-4=5).

**DREW HELLESON** tallied the primary assist on Gauthier's second goal for his ninth on the campaign. Helleson added a +1 rating and continues to pace all rookie defensemen in plus/minus this season (+10) while he ranks second in points (4-9=13) and assists.

**ISAC LUNDESTROM** earned an assist for his ninth helper and 13th point of the campaign (4-9=13).

**LUKAS DOSTAL** made 47 saves to win his 22nd game this season, making more saves in a winning effort just once before (March 1, 2024; 52 saves). Dostal leads the NHL with five performances with 40 saves or more. He also improved to 12-8-2 his last 23 appearances.

Tonight's attendance was 14,128. The Ducks conclude a two-game homestand Wednesday, April 9 when they host Calgary (7 p.m. PT).



# ANAHEIM DUCKS POSTGAME QUOTES

## LUKAS DOSTAL

*On finding a rhythm during the game*

I would say that every goalie is this way, once they start feeling it, see the shots, then it just keeps rolling. I feel like every goalie is the same.

*On the team's recent performance on the penalty kill*

Obviously we try to create pressure whenever we can. I think we've been working on it the whole season, there were some ups and downs but, as I said, it's been doing a hell of a job lately. They jump in plays in the right time and when the time is not right, we are playing tight and it's much easier for me to read the plays and, like I said, it's been doing a great job.

## CUTTER GAUTHIER

*On his first goal of the game*

[I was] just using my speed. The first one was a fortunate play, Leo (Carlsson) picking off that pass there and he's a great playmaker so I just try to find an open lane there and a good pass by him, so it was good.

*On the game*

I think we played a little more simple than we did the last couple games. Playing north and playing fast is our identity with lots of skill, and the more times we can utilize that, especially in front of our home crowd, the better for us.

*On if he thought about a hat trick*

Of course, yeah. I wanted to get one there but the most important thing is we got the job done.

*On Lukas Dostal*

Huge. He's been our best player all season long day-in and day-out. Unfortunately with (John Gibson) and the injuries he's facing, Dos has had to step up and play a lot. Every single night he's been in for us he's done one heck of a job. Every time we make a mistake we're super happy and super fortunate he's on our side.

## HEAD COACH GREG CRONIN

*On winning three of four games against the Oilers this season and how this showcases the improvement the team has had this past year*

Yeah, this game was an awkward game because there were stop plays and you know they are fighting for a position in the playoffs. I didn't think we had a very good game. I think they had more urgency to the way they played. I think they were more precise, they were more aggressive and like I said we won the game because of the penalty kill and was led by our goalie who was the best player on the ice.

*On Cutter Gauthier's performance and how he can continue to improve*

Yeah, Cutter, both goals were elite goal-scoring goals and the second one, you know, the one-on-one when he blew by the D and was able to hit the brakes and backhand shelf, that's a high-end skill play. You get a window into what those two [Gauthier and Carlsson] could look like when they mature and they physically develop, but the more Cutter gets confident, manipulating defensemen and driving wide, I think you're going to see his goals and his points go up.



# EDMONTON OILERS POSTGAME QUOTES

## **DARNELL NURSE**

*On the game*

We had a lot of opportunities to put the puck in the back of the net and we didn't find a way to do it. We got to find a way to capitalize on the chances we have and we didn't do that enough tonight.

*On Olivier Rodrigue's performance in his first career start*

He was great. He made some huge saves, especially down the stretch there to keep us in that game. He was real solid for us back there.

## **HEAD COACH KRIS KNOBLAUCH**

*On the team's performance*

I thought we played a pretty good game, some mistakes giving them their goals off the rush but overall, the effort from the guys, just couldn't, for the amount of opportunities we had, the amount of chances, certainly deserved to have more than two goals. Five-on-five offensive play, I thought, was really strong.

*On losing three of four games to Anaheim this season*

I think they've got a good team and also good goaltending. They've got solid goaltending all season and anytime that happens, you've got a chance every night.