

Pittsburgh Penguins vs Montreal Canadiens

2/22/2024 @ PPG Paints Arena

Team Notes:

- The Penguins have points in 14 of their last 18 home games (10-4-4)
- Pittsburgh has points in 18 of its last 20 games against Montreal (13-4-3)
- In their last 31 games against the Canadiens, the Penguins are 19-8-4.
- The Penguins are 380-87-45 when both **Sidney Crosby** and **Evgeni Malkin** record a point in a game.

Player Notes:

- With his game-opening goal, **Kris Letang** has his 5th goal of the season.
- Among all active players born in Quebec, Letang has the second-most points (725 in 1,059 GP), but is first among Montreal-born skaters.
- **Drew O'Connor's** multi-point effort (1G-1A) gives him five points (2G-3A) over his last five games. It is his second multi-point game of the season.
- **Evgeni Malkin's** 40 career assists against Montreal are tied with **Victor Hedman** for 2nd most among active players, trailing only **Sidney Crosby**.
- **Bryan Rust** records his 16th goal of the season during the second period.
- **Erik Karlsson** has now cracked the 40-point plateau for the 11th time in his career. He is the 18th defenseman in NHL history and is tied for first active blueliner with **Brent Burns**.
- With an assist tonight, **Sidney Crosby** now has 64 points in 49 games versus Montreal (23G-40A). He also expanded his home point streak versus the Canadiens to 6 games (1G-10A).
- Crosby's 41 career assists against Montreal are the most among active players.
- With his goal in the third period, **Kris Letang** ties with **Victor Hedman** for most goals vs. Montreal scored by active defensemen.
- With his two goals, **Kris Letang** has picked up 36 points (9G-26A) in 44 career games against his hometown team. Here at PPG Paints Arena, he has picked up 20 points (7G-13A) in 20 games.

Pittsburgh Penguins vs Philadelphia Flyers

2/25/2024 @ PPG Paints Arena

Team Notes:

- The Penguins are 11-3-3 in their last 17 games played against the Flyers.
- The Penguins have points in 15 of their last 19 home games (11-4-4).
- Pittsburgh has points in eight-straight home games versus Philadelphia (6-0-2).

Player Notes:

- **Sidney Crosby** tied the game at one and recorded his 408th career even-strength goal to pass **Jari Kurri** for 15th-most in NHL history. (Credit: NHL PR)
- Crosby (1G-4A) became the 10th player in NHL history with at least 460 multi-point games. Crosby has 34 more than the next closest active player, **Alex Ovechkin** (426). (Credit: NHL PR)
- Crosby has points in 16 of his last 18 games against the Flyers (13G-43A). Going back further, Crosby has 46 points (19G-27A) in his last 28 games against them, which includes points in 24 of those 28 games.
- Crosby (582) is now one goal shy of tying Wayne Gretzky (583) for the seventh-most goals on a single franchise in NHL history.
- **Bryan Rust** has 23 points (10G-13A) in 32 career games against Philadelphia, which includes an active five-game point streak against them.
- Rust (2G-1A) recorded his second three-point effort of the season.
- **Erik Karlsson** (1A) has points in 17 of his last 20 games played (1G-18A), and has 26 points (5G-21A) in 36 career games against Philadelphia.
- **Rickard Rakell** has now notched nine goals and 5 assists (9G-5A) in 16 career games against the Flyers.
- Since February 6, Rust has led all Penguins in goals, GP-9 G-6
- **Emil Bemstrom** recorded a power play goal in his Penguins debut.
- **Drew O'Connor** has a three game goal streak, with his goal in the third period. This is his ninth goal of the season
- **Kris Letang** records his seventh goal of the season in the third period.
- This is Crosby's 7th career game with five or more points.

Pittsburgh Penguins vs San Jose Sharks
3/14/2024 @ PPG Paints Arena

Team Notes:

- Pittsburgh has won five of its last six games versus San Jose.
- The Penguins have points in seven of their last 10 home games against San Jose (6-3-1) dating back to Dec. 5, 2013.
- The Penguins have points in 17 of their last 23 home games (13-6-4).
- Pittsburgh improved to 20-11-4 when scoring first.

Player Notes:

- **Evgeni Malkin** scored his 19th goal of the season, giving him 50 points on the season (19G-31A). He becomes the 47th player in NHL history and the fourth active player with 14 50-point seasons.
- With his goal in the second, **Jeff Carter** has recorded 32 points in 53 career games against the San Jose Sharks (18G-14A). Carter ranks tied for third in goals versus San Jose among active skaters.
- With the first goal of the game, **Noel Acciari** recorded his 4th goal of the season. This is his first goal since Dec. 31 against the Islanders.
- **Erik Karlsson** (1A) has 18 points (5G-13A) in 15 career games against his former team. He has points in 10 of his last 11 games versus San Jose (4G-12A).
- Karlsson has the most points (8G-37A-45PTS) among all defensemen on a new team this season. The last defenseman to record as many points in their first season in Pittsburgh was **Sergei Gonchar** (58 in 2005-06). (Credit: NHL PR)
- With two assists tonight, **Drew O'Connor** records his third multi-point game of the season.
- **John Ludvig** recorded his 2nd goal of the season in the third period and added an assist on Rakell's goal. It is his first career multi-point game.
- With his goal in the third, **Rickard Rakell** recorded his 10th of the season. It is the third consecutive season Rakell has reached the 10-goal mark.
- **P.O Joseph** tallied two assists in tonight's contest. This is his fourth career multi-point game and his first since Feb. 17, 2023, versus the Islanders (2A).
- With his game-winning goal in the third period, **Bryan Rust** has recorded his 19th goal of the season. Rust, in 12 career games versus the Sharks, has recorded seven goals, and eight assists.

Pittsburgh Penguins vs Carolina Hurricanes

3/26/2024 @ PPG Paints Arena

Team Notes:

- The Penguins have points in seven of their last ten home games
- Pittsburgh has points in five-consecutive home games against Carolina (3-0-2).
- The Penguins are 9-4-2 at home against the Hurricanes dating back to Jan. 17, 2016

Player Notes:

- The first goal of the evening was scored by **Jesse Pulijjarvi**, his third of the season, putting him on a two game goal streak.
- With his goal in the second, **Bryan Rust** recorded his 23rd goal of the season. Rust has now had seven goals over the last ten games and eleven goals in the past 18 games. Only Sidney Crosby has more points than him from the beginning of this stretch, starting on February sixth.
- With two assists tonight, **Sidney Crosby** now has 66 points (23G-43A) in 59 career games. He also becomes the 14th player in NHL history to record 15 or more 40-assist seasons.
- With an empty net goal, **Drew O'Connor** scores his 11th goal of the season.
- In the third, **Sidney Crosby** scored on the empty net and recorded his 35th goal of the season.