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Just a little reminder, can all fans, please wait until there is a stoppage in play before leaving your seat during the game.

First of all, for **your own safety,** the puck can fly over the safety glass at any time, so please keep your eye on it at all times. Also, in respect of other fans who are trying to watch the game.

Also, if you do leave your seat during a break in play, please remain at the bottom of the stairs until play stops before returning to your seat. The stewards will be there to advise you.

Ice Hockey is promoted as a family sport, and here at Edinburgh Capitals this means so much to us as an organisation. Please be respectful of others at all times.

Our aim is for everyone to come to a game and go home feeling they have been entertained both on and off the ice.

We appreciate every one of you supporters, and we will continue to make your match night experience as enjoyable as possible.



Joel puts the Capitals 2-1 ahead at Dundee . Picture: Ian Coyle

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Caly Pulls us level at Dundee last Saturday Picture Ian Coyle



Conner secures the OT win with 9 seconds left in OT against the Rockets
Picture; Ian Coyle

HOGMANAY TICKETS SELLING FAST

It's the date every Caps fan looks forward to.

On Thursday 31st December 2026, your Edinburgh Capitals will face our closest rival, the Kirkcaldy Kestrels, at Murrayfield Ice Arena for what promises to be another huge Hogmanay Hockey showdown.

Last seasona record breaking 3,150 fans packed out the Lions Den, creating the first capacity crowd in Edinburgh Capitals history at Murrayfield. This year, our goal is simple, #SellOutTheDen once again and finish 2026 in style.

Face-Off is at 2pm, giving you the perfect opportunity to start your Hogmanay celebrations with an afternoon of ice hockey. Following the game there will be a free one-hour skate for fans before you head off to continue your New Year celebrations.

There is no better way to spend the festive period with the family.

Two fierce rivals will go head-to-head for two valuable SNL league points, with pride and bragging rights on the line. The Edinburgh-Fife rivalry has been a major part of Scottish ice hockey for decades and neither side will want to finish the year on the wrong side of the result.

Head Coach Steven Lynch is already looking forward to the occasion and knows the Caps faithful will turn out in force once again. "It's the game all the boys talk about because we know we'll be playing in front of a huge crowd. Last season we achieved a sell out for the first time in Caps history here at Murrayfield, but we don't want that to be a one-off. We want to do it time and time again."

"You might think Hogmanay is still a long way away, but it will be here before you know it, and the team would love to see you all that afternoon."

"This year, there will be that extra bit of spice knowing we face Kirkcaldy Kestrels. These are two teams who never want to lose to each other. It will be a battle, and we'll be looking to end the year on a high."

"Tickets will sell fast, so don't miss out."

Tickets are now available on Fanbase priced at;

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Club Honours
2023-24
Northern League Champions
SNL Play-Off Champions
2024
Northern Challenge Cup Winners
2025-26
Scottish National League Winners
Scottish SNL Cup Winners

Well, it wasn't a bad end of October, and the start of November was it, as far as Capitals fans were concerned.
A thumping record score against Thunder followed twenty four hours later with a brilliant comeback win at Whitley Bay. Three goals down the guys battled back to level the game then a brilliant finish by Richard in OT to make it a four-point weekend.
It was great to see Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna score his first senior goal and also record a couple of assists against Thunder. I bet he will forever hold on to the puck he was presented with in the locker room.
At Whitley, we took a while to get going, but when we did, the hopes of the Caps fans in the stands started to rise. After the final whistle, their hopes had been realised after a great OT goal.
To say it was a happy Capitals team bus on the way back up the A1 wouldn't do it justice.
Pity the Whitley fans booed the Caps off the ice at the end.
After a week of hard work, the next stop was Dundee last Saturday, and once again the guys produced a brilliant win in overtime. Conner scored the winner with just nine seconds left in the ot period.
To travel to Whitley and Dundee and produce two overtime winners in the week was an outstanding performance in anybody's book.
Tonight we welcome North Ayrshire Wild to the Lions Den and hopefully add another league win to our record. It will be another huge game against the Rockets here next Saturday. Don't miss it.

LIVINGSTON DESIGNER OUTLET

Livingston Designer Outlet has teamed up with Scottish National League and Scottish Cup Champions, the Edinburgh Capitals, in a new partnership that will bring exclusive fan experiences, player appearances, and community events to Scotland's largest designer outlet throughout the 2026-2027 season.

The partnership will see the Edinburgh Capitals become a regular presence at Livingston Designer Outlet, with player appearances, competitions, ticket giveaways, membership drives, pop-up events, and fan experiences designed to bring supporters closer to the club while introducing new audiences to one of Scotland's most successful ice hockey teams. As part of the partnership, Livingston Designer Outlet has become the club's main jersey sponsor for the 2026-2027 season.
The collaboration reflects Livingston Designer Outlet's continued commitment to creating memorable experiences beyond shopping, while supporting organisations that play an important role within communities across Scotland.

Michelle Whitelaw, Centre Director at Livingston Designer Outlet, said, "At Livingston Designer Outlet, we're always looking for partnerships that create exciting experiences for our visitors while supporting organisations that make a real difference within our local communities. "The Edinburgh Capitals have built an incredibly passionate fanbase and continue to grow both on and off the ice. We're looking forward to working together throughout the season to bring fans closer to the club while creating some fantastic experiences at the outlet."

The Edinburgh Capitals have enjoyed significant growth since the reopening of Murrayfield Ice Arena following its 30-month closure during the pandemic. The club currently attracts average crowds of more than 2,150 supporters, has over 500 season ticket holders, and enters the new season as both Scottish National League and Scottish Cup Champions.

Capitals Managing Director Scott Neil said, "We're delighted to be partnering with Livingston Designer Outlet. This is far more than a sponsorship. It's a partnership that will help us grow commercially, strengthen our connection with supporters, and create new opportunities to engage with communities across the region.

"Working together will allow us to reach new audiences through player appearances, events, competitions, and promotions, while giving our supporters exciting opportunities to connect with the club away from the rink."

Visitors can look forward to a programme of activity throughout the season, with further details on events, appearances, and competitions to be announced in the coming months. For more information, head to https://livingston-designer-outlet.co.uk Livingston Designer Outlet is Scotland's largest designer outlet, home to over 80 shops, cafés, and restaurants. With favourites like Nike, Calvin Klein, Tommy Hilfiger, and Hugo Boss, alongside high-street names like M&S and Next, there is something for everyone to enjoy. This is a massive addition to the club going forward, and it shows just how far the team has progressed both on and off the ice in the last 4 years.

TOP 25 LEAGUE POINTS SCORERS AND TOP 10 NETMINDERS COURTESY OF SIH STATISTICIAN

	All stats at 9th November 2026							Averages per game			
#	Player	Team	GP	Gls	Asst	Pts	PiM	Gls	Assts	Pts	PiM
29	Cameron Ware	Warriors	11	11	18	29	14	1.00	1.64	2.64	1.27
17	**Joe Lynch**	**Capitals**	9	14	14	28	6	1.56	1.56	3.11	0.67
92	**Caly Robertson**	**Capitals**	9	7	15	22	0	0.78	1.67	2.44	0.00
20	Phil Edgar	Rockets	9	10	9	19	0	1.11	1.00	2.11	0.00
16	John Dolan	Rockets	9	5	17	22	8	0.56	1.89	2.44	0.89
15	Craig Garrigan	Rockets	9	8	10	18	0	0.89	1.11	2.00	0.00
92	Chris Sykes	Warriors	11	8	10	18	0	0.73	0.91	1.64	0.00
13	Kyle Ross	Warriors	10	6	12	18	8	0.60	1.20	1.80	0.80
97	**Scott Jamieson**	**Capitals**	9	8	9	17	4	0.89	1.00	1.89	0.44
11	Deniss Kontseus	Rockets	9	6	11	17	0	0.67	1.22	1.89	0.00
44	Ollie Jardine	Warriors	8	10	6	16	6	1.25	0.75	2.00	0.75
47	**Joel Gautschi**	**Capitals**	9	7	9	16	8	0.78	1.00	1.78	0.89
91	Iain Brown	Warriors	11	5	11	16	6	0.45	1.00	1.45	0.55
8	Jordan Leyden	Lynx	12	4	15	19	6	0.33	1.25	1.58	0.50
10	Conor Duncan	Lynx	11	9	6	15	2	0.82	0.55	1.36	0.18
26	**Richard Hartmann**	**Capitals**	6	10	4	14	14	1.67	0.67	2.33	2.33
57	Callum Queenan	Warriors	11	7	8	15	4	0.64	0.73	1.36	0.36
79	Zac Thomson	Lynx	11	6	8	14	0	0.55	0.73	1.27	0.00
15	Cale Tanaka	Pirates	7	5	9	14	7	0.71	1.29	2.00	1.00
67	Lennon Deeney	Wild	10	8	5	13	8	0.80	0.50	1.30	0.80
18	Sean Beattie	Rockets	9	7	6	13	2	0.78	0.67	1.44	0.22
27	**Sean Stewart**	**Capitals**	9	4	10	14	2	0.44	1.11	1.56	0.22
86	Aiden Wilson	Pirates	6	7	5	12	10	1.17	0.83	2.00	1.67
24	Ben Edmonds	Lynx	12	4	9	13	0	0.33	0.75	1.08	0.00
19	Sam McCluskey	Rockets	7	4	8	12	6	0.57	1.14	1.71	0.86

LEADING NETMINDERS (LEAGUE GAMES ONLY. MINIMUM 240 MINUTES PLAYED)

#	Netminder	Team	GP	Mins Pld	SOG	Saves	GAgst	Save%	GagAv
30	Thomas Brown	Warriors	11	587.19	291	278	13	0.955	1.33
34	**Ben Keddie**	**Capitals**	7	425.43	185	169	16	0.914	2.26
31	Dale Shearer	Rockets	6	344.51	157	142	15	0.904	2.61
55	Callum Donaghy	Pirates	6	323.12	164	148	16	0.902	2.97
35	Daniel Hadden	Kestrels	5	300.00	177	159	18	0.898	3.60
30	Calum Hepburn	Sharks	8	465.32	367	332	35	0.905	4.53
28	Rory Wood	Lynx	12	713.29	516	459	57	0.89	4.79
33	Euan Simpson	Wild	11	660.00	561	495	66	0.882	6.00
1	Matthew Reid	Thunder	7	344.16	331	276	55	0.834	9.59

CONNOR MCDAVID ON WAY TO HISTORY

Connor McDavid is off to the best start of his illustrious NHL career for the Edmonton Oilers, and his advanced metrics are fueling what could be one of the highest-scoring seasons in history.
The Oilers captain became the fastest player in NHL history to reach 30 assists in a season (15 games), besting the previous mark set by Wayne Gretzky (16 games in 1984-85). The 29-year-old is on pace for 218 points in 84 games, which would exceed Gretzky's current single-season scoring record (215 in 1985-86). McDavid also extended his NHL-record season-opening assist streak to 18 games on Nov 3. He also scored his eighth opening-minute goal of his career against New York Rangers, surpassing Mark Messier (seven) for the most in Oilers history. McDavid reached a top skating speed of 22.79 mph while skating through all three zones on that goal, the fastest burst resulting in a goal this season.

McDavid, who has nine 100-point seasons in his career (third most in history behind Gretzky's 15, Mario Lemieux's 10), had his highest point total in 2022-23 (153). McDavid also ranks third in history (minimum 100 games played) in career regular-season points per game (1.56) behind Gretzky (1.92) and Lemieux (1.88). Gretzky, meanwhile, had four 200-point seasons, all with the Oilers, and is the only player in NHL history to accomplish that feat.
McDavid looks to add to his trophy case this season; he is a six-time Art Ross Trophy winner (2017, 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2026), three-time Hart Trophy winner (2017, 2021, 2023), and also won the Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy once (2023) and Conn Smythe Trophy (2024; when Oilers lost to Florida Panthers in Stanley Cup Final).

McDavid leads the entire NHL in both 22-plus mph speed bursts (34) and 20-plus bursts (132) this season; during the NHL's puck and player tracking era, he leads the League in both of those categories.

NHL EDGE IQ insights: *McDavid has scored eight of his nine goals this season off the rush (within five seconds of puck crossing offensive blue line); his only other goal was an empty-net goal. The only other player with more than five off-the-rush goals this season is Tage Thompson (six).*
McDavid also leads the NHL in 18-20 mph speed bursts (199) and is tied for third in max skating speed (24.01) behind St. Louis Blues defenseman Philip Broberg (24.26) and his Oilers teammate Kasperi Kapanen (24.05).

McDavid is the eighth player in League history with a 15-game assist streak at any point of a season and the first since Patrick Kane (17 games with Chicago Blackhawks in 2018-19). McDavid also leads the NHL with 23 primary assists, nearly double the next-highest skater (Draisaitl with 12) and has factored in on 61.9 percent of Edmonton's goals (39 of 63; most of any player this season).

SNL RESULTS 31ST OCTOBER, 7TH-8TH NOVEMBER.

League Games 31st Oct and 1st November				League Games 7th - 8th November			
Aberdeen Lynx	7	North Ayrshire Wild	0	Dundee Rockets	4	Edinburgh Capitals	5ot
Edinburgh Capitals	18	Kilmarnock Thunder	1	Aberdeen Lynx	4	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	3
Solway Sharks	1	Whitley Warriors	7	Kilmarnock Thunder	1	North Ayrshire Wild	5
Dundee Rockets	6	Solway Sharks	0				
Paisley Pirates	4	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	2	Scottish Cup 1st Leg			
Whitley Warriors	3	Edinburgh Capitals	4ot	Whitley Warriors	4	Paisley Pirates	1

LEAGUE STANDINGS AT 9TH NOVEMBER 2026 AS PER SNL WEB SITE

#	Team	GP	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts	Form
1	Whitley Warriors	11	9	1	1	63	14	19	L1
2	Dundee Rockets	9	8	0	1	63	20	17	L1
3	**Edinburgh Capitals**	9	7	1	0	72	18	16	W5
4	Paisley Pirates	9	6	3	0	36	33	12	W2
5	Aberdeen Lynx	12	6	6	0	51	58	12	W2`
6	Solway Sharks	12	3	8	1	33	56	7	L3
7	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	8	1	7	0	18	32	2	L2
8	North Ayrshire Wild	11	3	8	0	22	65	4	W1`
9	Kilmarnock Thunder	7	0	7	0	12	73	0	L7

ALL THE LEAGUE FIXTURES AND RESULTS FOR 2026-2027 SEASON

Home Team	AL	DR	EC	KT	KK	NAW	PP	SS	WW
Aberdeen Lynx		2-6 06-03	2-10 06-02	11-3 8-2	4-3 20-03	7-0 16-01	6-3 12-12	28-11 20-02	14-11 27-02
Dundee Rockets	9-2 05-12		4-5ot 20-03	17-0 30-01	22-11 06-02	29-11 09-01	23-01 27-03	6-0 13-03	3-2 13-02
Edinburgh Capitals	7-3 23-01	3-4 28-11		18-1 07-02	31-12 20-02	14-11 13-03	8-0 30-01	05-12 03-01	12-12 06-03
Kilmarnock Thunder	13-02 13-03	14-11 20-02	1-8 09-01		28-11 27-03	1-5 06-02	19-12 06-03	12-12 16-01	05-12 23-01
Kirkcaldy Kestrels	2-3 27-12	17-01 14-03	06-12 02-01	21-02 21-03		20-12 07-03	4-5 13-02	30-01 14-02	0-4 21-11
N Ayrshire Wild	21-11 30-01	2-9 19-12	0-9 13-02	6-4 20-03	23-01 27-02		1-5 05-12	3-2 1-5	28-11 27-03
Paisley Pirates	20-12 21-03	15-11 07-03	27-12 28-02	06-12 14-03	4-2 31-01	10-1 07-02	-	22-11 24-01	17-01 21-02
Solway Sharks	5-3 28-03	4-5ps 31-01	10-01 27-02	15-11 29-11	2-6 19-12	7-3 04-04	1-3 3-4	-	1-6 1-7
Whitley Warriors	8-0 31-01	13-12 07-02	3-4ot 28-03	22-11 10-01	5-0 5-1	7-0 14-02	7-2 13-03	9-2 07-03	-

CAPITALS STATS 2026-27 COURTESY OF CAPS OFFICIAL STATISTICIAN

#	Player	GP	Gls	Asst	Pts	PiM	+ -	PPGls	PP Asst	SHGls	SH Asst
17	Joe Lynch	11	18	15	33	8	23	4	5		1
92	Caly Robertson	11	8	15	23	0	25		3		
97	Scott Jamieson	11	8	14	22	4	18	2		1	1
26	Richard Hartmann	8	12	8	20	14	11	1	3	2	1
27	Sean Stewart	11	6	11	17	2	26	2	1	3	
47	Joel Gautschi	9	6	9	15	8	21	1	2	1	2
16	Conner McNulty	11	5	6	11	0	18	1	2		
7	Marcus Murdoch	11	4	6	10	2	7		3		
8	Marty Simpson	11	3	6	9	0	19	1	2		
3	Dean Walker	11	1	7	8	0	12	1	3		
78	Rihards Grigors	8	2	6	8	14	3	1	1		2
24	Kyle Howie	11	3	4	7	2	5		2		
77	Scott McKay	11	3	3	6	23	4				
22	Aidan Paterson	11	1	5	6	4	12		1		
50	Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna	7	1	3	4	0	7		1		
90	Kris Phillips	11	1	3	4	4	10				
44	Ross Borwick	11	1	2	3	50	6				
34	Ben Keddie	10	0	2	2	0					
9	Cammy Gallagher	11	0	2	2	2	1				
43	Justin Finnigan	11	0	2	2	2	5				
4	Jonah Johnson	1	1	0	1	0		2		1	1
13	Ciaran Hoggan	10	0	0	0	0					
71	Ryan Chambers	1	0	0	0	0					
19	Rhys Stenhouse	11	0	0	0	4	2				
37	Chad Smith	1	0	0	0	5	2				

NETMINDER STATS

#	Netminder	GP	Mins	Shots	Gls Ag	Saves	Save%	GPG Av	Asst	S Out
34	Ben Keddie	9	485.13	202	16	186	.921	1.98	2	2
13	Ciaran Hoggan	10	160.00	43	2	41	.953	0.75	0	0
88	Jonnie Livingstone	2	20.00	3	1	2	.667	3	0	0

Capitals Period SNL and Scottish Cup Games Stats at 9th November

Period	1	2	3	OT/PS W	OT/PS L	Totals
Wins	9	7	9	2	0	27
Draws	1	3	1	0	0	5
Losses	1	1	1	0	0	3
Goals Scored per Period	24	27	30	2	0	83
Goals Lost per Period	7	9	4	0	0	20

WHY DO NHL REFS ALLOW FIGHTING ?

Fans love a good brawl in hockey. They love seeing players go at it, mixing it up with sticks, fists, and shoes. As long-time fans and hockey players ourselves, we know this all too well. We even have a name for this phenomenon: “the brawl gene”. It might not be a thing, but it sure feels like it.

Unfortunately, things aren’t always handled professionally by fans. Sometimes, they get in the way of the action and hurt innocent people. This is why hockey referees have a specific job description. Here’s a closer look at why they allow brawls to happen and what referees can do to help prevent the damage that sometimes results from in-game fighting.

Hockey is a “contact sport”. Not only do the players have to be physically active to score a goal, but they also have to be aggressive in order to win the game. It’s a fast-paced sport where scoring is easily accomplished through offence or defence. While the game itself is physical, the violence is mostly between the players. The contact is rarely caused by a fall or an accident. It’s usually the result of an intentional action by a player, and that’s why fights are such a common element of the game. As a result, Hockey is a sport that encourages taking risks and engaging in fights while maintaining good sportsmanship.

Unlike most other professional sports, the number of hockey players is on the rise. Between the ages of five and nine, the number of players is expected to double. According to the National Hockey League (NHL), 13 million fans attended games last year. That’s up from 7.2 million in 2010. In fact, the league is now facing a problem that many other professional sports are experiencing: there aren’t enough talented kids to fill their roster. This problem can be solved, in part, by encouraging more families to join the sport.

Hockey is a difficult sport to stop. Even with strict enforcement of fighting rules, brawls continue to happen because they’re a necessary evil for fans. This provides more opportunities for aspiring hockey players who are looking for a way to express their competitive spirit. It also means there will always be someone available who is willing to fight. For better or worse, the violence that occurs in hockey is part of what makes it so popular. The brawls are often exciting to watch and, more importantly, can potentially result in some fantastic plays. These moments are what make hockey a unique sport and something everyone should experience at least once in their life.

With some of the most skilled players in the world competing for a spot on the ice, it’s no wonder that hockey is such a family-friendly sport. Parents are often present in the stands to encourage their kids to cheer for their favourite players. This is one of the reasons why the number of younger participants in the sport is increasing. Another is the equipment. Despite the stereotypes, hockey is actually quite easy to play. The sticks, gloves, and other equipment are designed to make the game more accessible to beginners. This helps combat the so-called “stranger danger” that so many sports have to deal with. Kids are often more afraid of getting hurt by a complete stranger than they are of getting hurt by their friends or family members. This is one of the reasons why coaching kids in sports has become such a popular trend. It’s a way to help protect them while also encouraging them to participate in sports.

Hockey players come in all shapes and sizes. This is another reason why the sport is so popular. It’s easy to find someone who looks like your kid. Even better, it’s usually the case that they’re also skilled players who enjoy competing and acting aggressively. This provides a chance for your average Joe to participate in hockey and feels like he could potentially do well. Many parents are also aware that hockey is a great way to stay fit. This helps encourage more generations to join the sport.

THE N H L SHOTS JUST GET UNSAVABLE

Arber Xhekaj set the hardest shot resulting in a goal of the season, reaching a shot speed of 97.22 miles per hour, when he scored against the Utah Mammoth on Thursday 5th November.

It was Xhekaj's hardest shot attempt of the season (he ranks in 96th percentile among defensemen in that category) and the hardest shot across the entire NHL on the Nov. 5 slate.

The Montreal Canadiens defenseman, who tied the game 2-2 with 2:50 remaining in the first period when his one-timer shot from the left point beat Utah goalie Sebastian Cossa surpassed the previous hardest shot resulting in a goal this season from Travis Sanheim (95.71 mph on Oct. 1). The Canadiens defeated the Mammoth 5-4 in overtime.

It was the first goal of the season for Xhekaj, and the 25-year-old is also a standout in average shot speed; Xhekaj, who's 6-foot-4 and 240 lbs, ranks in the 94th percentile in that category (74.48 mph; NHL average at position: 68.35 mph).

It was the fifth-hardest shot of Xhekaj's career (regular season and playoffs combined). Xhekaj's hardest shot of his career came during the 2023-24 season, when he reached 102.23 mph (the third-hardest shot attempt in the entire NHL that season).

LEAGUE GAMES TEAM STATISTICS FROM THE SIH WEB SITE

Team	SHG	SHGA	GP	GF	GA	Diff	PPO	PPG	PP%	PPGA	PPOA	PK%
Warriors	2	0	11	63	14	49	34	7	20.60	2	39	94.90
Rockets	1	0	9	63	20	43	26	11	42.30	5	22	77.30
Capitals	6	0	9	72	18	54	29	12	42.30	7	27	74.10
Pirates	2	0	9	36	33	3	37	9	24.30	7	28	75.00
Lynx	1	4	11	47	55	-8	38	10	26.30	6	22	72.70
Sharks	0	2	12	33	56	-23	40	9	22.50	7	37	81.10
Wild	0	3	10	17	65	-48	40	5	12.50	18	51	64.70
Kestrels	1	1	7	15	28	-13	24	1	4.20	6	31	80.60
Thunder	0	1	6	11	68	-57	12	2	16.70	8	22	63.60

KEY

SHG = Short Handed Goals scored. SHGA = Short Handed Goals against.
GP = Games Played GF – Overall Goals For. GA = Overall Goals Against.
Diff = Overall Plus/Minus Difference. PPO = Powerplay Opportunities For.
PPG = Powerplay Goals Scored. PP% = Powerplay Success Rate %.
PPGA = Powerplay Goals Against. PPOA = Powerplay Opportunities Against.
PK% = Penalty Kill Success Rate %

CAPITALS FIXTURE SCHEDULE AND RESULTS 2026-2027 SEASON

					Final		Period Scores							Shots on		Pen Mins on	
Day	Date	H/A	Opposition	Comp	Score		1		2		3		OT	Caps	Opp	Caps	Opp
Sat	22/08	H	Dundee Rockets	EXH	6	2	1	1	3	1	2	0	-	33	43	6	8
Sun	23/08	H	Dundee Rockets	EXH	5	4	1	0	2	2	1	2	0-0	27	40	17	17
Sat	29/08	A	Solway I H C	EXH	2	7	0	3	1	1	1	3	-	54	31	29	27
Sun	30/08	H	Solway I H C	EXH	1	4	0	1	1	2	0	1	-	47	23	4	4
Sat	05/09	H	Blackburn Hawks	EXH	4	6	0	2	4	2	0	2	-	35	37	15	19
Sun	06/09	A	Blackburn Hawks	EXH	5	4	1	3	1	1	2	0	1-0	39	41	11	11
Sat	12/09	A	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL	10	2	3	0	2	2	5	0	-	34	53	21	6
Sun	20/09	A	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL	8	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	-	15	60	2	2
Sat	26/09	H	Solway Sharks	SCup	6	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	-	17	62	2	14
Sat	03/10	H	Paisley Pirates	SNL	8	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	-	19	54	29	15
Sat	10/10	H	Dundee Rockets	SNL	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	2		33	28	15	15
Sat	17/10	H	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL	7	3	3	1	1	1	3	1	-	23	57	19	9
Sun	18/10	A	Solway Sharks	SCup	5	1	2	1	2	0	1	0	-	17	35	6	2
Sat	24/10	A	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL	9	0	1	0	4	0	4	0	-	11	46	12	12
Sat	31/10	H	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL	18	1	4	0	6	1	5	0	-	14	69	6	12
Sun	01/11	A	Whitley Warriors	SNL	4	3ot	0	2	2	1	1	0	1-0	33	50	36	22
Sat	07/11	A	Dundee Rockets	SNL	5	4ot	2	1	1	3	1	0	1-0	32	45	2	8
Sat	14/11	H	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL													
Sat	29/11	H	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sat	05//12	H	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sun	06/12	A	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	12/12	H	Whitley Warriors	SNL													
Sat	27/12	A	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Thu	31/12	H	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	02/01	A	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sun	03/01	H	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sat	09/01	A	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL	To be played @ MIA												
Sun	10/01	A	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sat	23/01	H	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL													
Sat	30/01	H	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Sat	06/02	A	Aberdeen Lynx	SNL													
Sun	07/02	H	Kilmarnock Thunder	SNL													
Sat	13/02	A	North Ayrshire Wild	SNL													
Sat	20/02	H	Kirkcaldy Kestrels	SNL													
Sat	27/02	A	Solway Sharks	SNL													
Sun	28/02	A	Paisley Pirates	SNL													
Sat	06/03	H	Whitley Warriors	SNL													
Sat	20/03	A	Dundee Rockets	SNL													
Sun	28/03	A	Whitley Warriors	SNL													

A LOOK AT VARIOUS CAPS STATS COURTESY OF CAPS STATISTICIAN

Capitals Team Stats		
Penalty Kill total Minutes	145	
Goals Conceded	7	95%
PP Total Minutes	110	
Goals scored	16	15%
Average shots per game	49	
Average goals per game	8	
Average shots against per game	24	
Average goals against per game	2	
Penalty Kill total Minutes	145	
Goals Conceded	7	95%
PP Total Minutes	110	

Face offs	Won	Lost
Chad Smith	100%	
J oe Lynch	80%	20%
Ross Borwick	78%	22%
J ustin Finnigan	72%	28%
Marcus Murdoch	68%	32%
Caly Robertson	70%	30%
Richard Hartmann	70%	30%
Joel Gautschi	67%	33%
Scott Jamieson	63%	38%
Scott McKay	25%	75%
Kyle Howie		100%

OUR GREAT WIN AT DUNDEE STATISTICS

Rockets Goals

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1	18	16	14	6:19	=
2	11	16	-	21:14	=
3	15	14	*	23:36	=
4	18	16	-	29:27	=

Capitals Goals

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1	92	17	47	8:58	=
2	47	8	-	13:13	PP
3	16	97	-	27:47	=
4	47	92	-	48:36	=
5	16	27	-	64:51	OT

Rockets Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
8	Hooking	12:36	2:00
4	Holding the stick	43:38	2:00
96	Roughing	39:01	2:00
8	Tripping	56:42	2:00

Capitals Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
7	Hooking	19:07	2:00
		:	:
		:	:
		:	:

#	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
31	Dale Shearer	00.00	17	10	16	2	45

#	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
34	Ben Keddie	00.00	10	11	6	5	32

Did not play: 4, 26, 37, 51, 88

Scoring sequence: 1-0, 1-1, 1-2, 2-2, 3-2, 3-3. 4-3, 4-4, 4-5.

Referee.Graham Rodger Linespersons R Melrose and M Alexander

WHY DO TEAMS PULL THEIR NETMINDER?

Have you ever wondered why hockey teams pull their goalies when they are losing in the final minutes of a game? This is not just a desperate move to try to tie the game, but rather a strategic decision that can increase a team's chances of winning.

The pulling of the goalie creates an extra attacker on the ice for the offensive team, increasing their chances of scoring. However, it also carries risks, such as the opposing team scoring on an empty net.

What Does it Mean to Pull the Goalie?

Pulling the goalie means that the goaltender is removed from the ice and replaced with a forward or defenseman player, giving the team six players on the ice instead of the usual five.

A coach usually makes this bold move when a team is trailing late in the game. By removing the goalie, the team has a better chance of scoring a goal since there's one extra attacking player on the ice.

A team will only pull their goalie if they are down by one goal or tied, but time is running low – usually with under two minutes left in regulation play. In some cases, teams might also pull their goalie early, depending on how much time remains and how desperate the situation is. However, this carries more risk because the opposing team could easily score into the empty net without anyone defending it.

When is Pulling the Goalie Appropriate?

Knowing when to pull the goalie requires careful consideration by coaches. There needs to be enough time for the strategy to work, so it usually only happens late in the third period, when the team that's behind needs to tie the game or is only down by one and wants to go ahead.

The decision to pull the goalie isn't always about tying the game, though. Coaches also might use it as a desperate measure to change the momentum of their team, especially if they're struggling with possession and need a scoring chance before time runs out.

How Time and Score Affect the Decision to Pull the Goalie

The decision to pull the goalie is always a high-risk move. It opens up an opportunity for the opposing team to score, but it also presents the trailing team with a chance to score and potentially tie or win the game. Two key factors that go into this decision are the amount of time left on the clock and the score differential.

If there is little time left in the game and the trailing team is down by two goals or more, pulling the goalie is essential. There simply isn't enough time left to mount a comeback without the extra attacker. However, if there is a significant amount of time left on the clock (e.g., ten minutes or more), then coaches may be hesitant to pull the goalie too early since doing so could put their team at risk of conceding more goals.

The final factor that goes into the decision to pull the goalie comes down to the specific lineup that the team is running. If the number one line is on the ice and the opposing team is getting tired, then pulling the goalie could result in a quick flurry of shots and potentially a goal. Coaches may also pull the goalie if there is a faceoff in the opposing team's zone, giving them an immediate opportunity to create a scoring chance.

"The further you get behind, the more likely that we might just try something different, like pulling our goaltender sooner rather than later to see if we can create some momentum at the end of the game." - Mike Babcock

CAPITALS MOM AND LION OF THE GAME V THUNDER, WARRIORS & ROCKETS



Man of the Match against Thunder was Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna after scoring his 1st senior goal and 2 assists.
Lion of the Game was Kyle Howie who notched 2+2 in the win.
Pics Mark Brown





Man of the Match at Whitley was Rihards Grigors, who had a solid game on defence.
Lion of the Game was Richard Hartmann, who scored the huge overtime winning goal.





Man of the Match at Dundee was Caley Robertson, who opened our scoring.
Lion of the Game was Conner McNulty, who scored the huge overtime-winning goal.



MATCH STATS THUNDER AND WARRIORS

CAPITALS GOALS V THUNDER

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Type
1	17	7	26	PP
2	97	26	-	Even
3	7	17	24	PP
4	17	47	92	Even
5	92	7	-	Even
6	26	97	16	PP
7	24	50	77	Even
8	17	47	92	Even
9	92	17	-	SH
10	8	50	24	PP
11	26	-	-	SH
12	77	24	22	Even
13	7	77	44	Even
14	50	17	-	Even
15	92	50	-	Even
16	97	26	3	Even
17	26	16	-	Even
18	8		-	Even

CAPITALS PENALTIES V THUNDER

#	Offence	Time	Mins
7	Slashing	33:24	02:00
44	Tripping	42:13	02:00
90	Slashing	52:01	02:00

#	Shots on Goal	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
13	Ciaran Hoggan	00:00	4	3	7	-	14

THUNDER GOAL

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1	70	-	-	32:22	Even

THUNDER PENALTIES

#	Offence	Time	Mins
B	Too Many Men (10)	2:25	2:00
14	Holding the Stick	11:31	2:00
14	Cross Checking	25:22	2:00
70	Hooking	35:57	2:00
26	Unsporting Conduct	38:06	2:00
70	Slashing	56:01	2:00

#	Shots on Goal	On	1	2	3	OT	Total
1	Matthew Reid	00:00	18	16		-	34
33	Mulachy Mitchell	31.34		12	23		35

CAPITALS GOALS V WARRIORS

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1	17	90	92	29:53	Even
2	92	17	27	36:04	Even
3	92	17	19	56:34	P Play
4	26	78	-	61:20	Even

Capitals Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
77	Roughing	17:51	2.00
77	Fighting	25:24	5.00
44	High Sticking	25:35	2:00
44	Fighting	25:35	:00
44	Fighting	25:35	2:00
90	Unport Conduct	35:21	2:00

#	Shots on Goal	On	1	2	3	OT	Total
34	Ben Keddie	00:00	7	14	10	2	33

Warriors Goals

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1	75	37	-	12:51	Even
2	29	92	44	17:43	Even
3	37	29	19	2517	Even

Warriors Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
44	High Sticking	8:52	2:00
29	Engage with Spectators	15:37	2:00
77	Roughing	17:51	2:00
21	Delay of Game	22:53	2:00
77	Fighting	25:24	5:00
22	Fighting	35:24	5:00
5	Boarding	35:24	2:00
21	Unsport Conduct	55:29	2:00

#	Shots on Goal	On	1	2	3	OT	Total
30	Thomas Brown	00:00	16	13	20	1	50

Capitals Players did not play in both games: 4, 37, 71 88

EDINBURGH CAPITALS

Colours: White, Blue, Red

	Player	Pos
13	Ciaran Hoggan	NM
34	Ben Keddie	NM
88	Jonnie Livingstone	NM
3	Dean Walker	D
4	Jonah Johnson	D
7	Marcus Murdoch	F
8	Marty Simpson	D
9	Cammy Gallagher	F
16	Conner McNulty	F
17	Joe Lynch 'A'	F
19	Rhys Stenhouse	F
22	Aiden Paterson 'A'	D
24	Kyle Howie	F
26	Richard Hartmann	F
27	Sean Stewart 'A'	D
37	Chad Smith	F
43	Justin Finnigan	F
44	Ross Borwick	F
47	Joel Gautschi 'C'	F
50	Charlie McLaughlin-Hanna	F
71	Ryan Chambers	F
77	Scott McKay	F
78	Rihards Grigors	D
90	Kris Phillips	D
92	Caly Robertson	F
97	Scott Jamieson	F

Capitals Goals

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1				:	
2				:	
3				:	
4				:	
5				:	
6				:	
7				:	
8				:	
9				:	
10				:	

Capitals Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
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Head Coach: Steven Lynch Associate Coach: Chad Smith. Asst Coach: Ben Coughtrie. Manager: Jim Paterson. Kit: Rob Smith.

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NORTH AYRSHIRE WILD

Colours: Black, Orange and White

#	Player	Pos
1	Callum Lymburn	NM
33	Euan Simpson	NM
5	Jack Neil	D
6	Mitchell Riley	D
8	Lewis McCrindle	D
9	Jay Herd	F
10	Jacob Woods	F
11	Kerr Drummond	D
12	Jordan McGonigle	D
14	Connor Wood	D
16	Michael Dearing	D
20	Rocco Murray	F
22	Ross Andreucci	F
29	Harvey Fleming	F
	Scott McLintock	D
44	Thomas Carroll	
67	Lennon Deeney	F
88	Luca De Simone	D
89	Ruairi Rafter	D
91	Tom Morgenthaler	F
92	Richard Karlisons	F
93	Sean Woods	D
96	Ethan Conlon	F
98	Zak Kenneth	F
67	Lennon Deeney	F

Wild Goals

#	Scorer	Asst 1	Asst 2	Time	Type
1				:	
2				:	
3				:	
4				:	
5				:	
6				:	
7				:	
8				:	
9				:	
10				:	

Wild Penalties

#	Offence	Time	Mins
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Head *Coach: Dominik De Simone*

#11	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
13	Ciaran Hoggan	:					
34	Ben Keddie	:					
88	Jonnie Livingstone	:					

Time Out	Period Scores	1	2	3	OT	Final	Time Out
Capitals	Capitals						Wild
:	Wild						:

Referee: _____ ___Linespersons: _____and_____

#	Netminder	Time on	1	2	3	OT	Total
1	Callum Lymburn	:					
33	Euan Simpson	:					
		:					

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