

2019 STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS UPDATE
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Last Night: Blues def. Stars 2-1 (2OT)

Game 7 in St. Louis was all about a pair of local products: Stars goalie **Ben Bishop**, and Blues forward **Pat Maroon**. Bishop made 52 saves to keep Dallas alive, but Maroon, who signed a 1-year deal over the summer to return to his hometown and had his son in attendance, won the game in double OT for St. Louis.

- STL has made the remarkable turnaround from last in the NHL standings on the morning of January 3rd, to a Western Conference Final appearance
- STL is in the West Final for the 2nd time in 4 years (lost in 2016 to San Jose)
- STL would have home ice against COL, but would be the road team against SJ

Maroon: "I'm proud. I'm proud to be from St. Louis and I'm proud to put that jersey on every night and I'm proud to work hard in front of these fans and to work hard for these guys that deserve it in here, that have been here for so long and want nothing more [than] to win."



Anthony Maroon, Pat's 10-year-old son: "I was looking at the page with all the players, where they're from and all that stuff. All I heard was everybody scream. My friend turns around and says, 'It's your dad!' I just started crying."

Tonight: Avalanche vs. Sharks (Game 7 – 9pm ET on NBCSN)

The final game of the Second Round features another Game 7. The Sharks are hoping to win a 2nd consecutive G7 at home after beating Vegas in the First Round, while the Avalanche are hoping to (like the Blues) win Games 6 and 7 after trailing 3-2 to advance.

- In fact, all 4 Game 7 winners this postseason did so after trailing 3-2 (BOS/SJ/CAR in FR, STL in SR)
- COL has not made the West Final since 2002 ... SJ was most recently there in 2016
- Sharks captain **Joe Pavelski**, who has not played since suffering a head injury Game 7 against Vegas, has not yet been ruled out for this game. He remains day-to-day.

COL D Erik Johnson: "All the pressure's on them. They're at home. They were favored in the series. For us, we're just going to go in and embrace the underdog role and have some fun with it."

Game 7 & OT Galore in 2019 Playoffs

- Tonight is the 5th Game 7 of these playoffs (3 in FR, 2 in SR) ... there were only 3 each of the past 2 years
- Last night was the 15th OT game of this postseason ... there were only 10 last year
- It was also the 3rd Game 7 (out of the 4 so far) to go to OT ... that's an NHL record for 1 playoffs

OT/GAME 7 INFO	THIS POSTSEASON	LAST POSTSEASON
OT games	15	10
Multiple OT games	4	4
Game 7s	5 (incl. tonight)	3
Game 7s to go to OT	3	0
➤ 1 ST POSTSEASON IN NHL HISTORY TO HAVE 3 G7s GO TO OT		

Postseason By The Numbers (69 games played)

- 37 home wins; 32 road wins
- 33 one-goal games
- 7 shutouts

Postseason Leaders

Goals: 9 – **Logan Couture** (SJ)
Assists: 12 – **Erik Karlsson** (SJ)
Points: 14 – **Couture**