



PITTSBURGH PENGUINS 3, CAROLINA HURRICANES 0

Postgame Notes – Dec. 22, 2018

Attendance: 16,264



CAROLINA HURRICANES SCORING NOTES

Per	Time	Goal Scorer	Assists	STR	Score
None					

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS SCORING NOTES

Per	Time	Goal Scorer	Assists	STR	Score
1	8:41	Kris Letang (8)	Sidney Crosby (23), Bryan Rust (8)	EV	PIT 1-0
2	3:00	Jake Guentzel (14)	Sidney Crosby (24), Bryan Rust (9)	EV	PIT 2-0
2	19:09	Jake Guentzel (15)	Sidney Crosby (25), Phil Kessel (23)	EV	PIT 3-0

RETURN OF THE MAC

Curtis McElhinney made his first appearance since making 18 saves at SJS (12/5), after missing five games with a lower-body injury and serving as backup vs. DET (12/20). Tonight's game marked the earliest date that McElhinney has made his 12th start of the season in his NHL career.

MAKING THE KILL

The Hurricanes have killed 38 of 41 opponents' power plays over their last 15 games (92.7%). In their first 19 games this season, Carolina's penalty kill ranked 29th in the NHL at 72.6% (45 of 62), and they currently rank 13th at 80.6% (83 of 103).

SHOOT YOUR SHOT

The Hurricanes outshot the Penguins 39-32 tonight. Carolina has now outshot opponents in 72 of 102 regulation periods and recorded at least 10 shots in 77 of 102 regulation periods this season. **Justin Williams** led the Hurricanes with six shots, while **Dougie Hamilton** posted a shot to extend his streak to 199 consecutive games with at least one shot on goal.

HEAVY HITTERS

Carolina outhit Pittsburgh 27-20 tonight. **Micheal Ferland** (6) led the Hurricanes in hits for the second straight game.

SPECIAL TEAMS

- Carolina went 0-for-4 on the power play tonight and is now 19-for-118 (16.1%) on the man-advantage this season. The Hurricanes went 2-for-2 on the penalty kill and are now 83-for-103 (80.6%) on the kill this season.
- Pittsburgh went 0-for-2 on the power play tonight and is now 22-for-101 (21.8%) on the man-advantage this season. The Penguins went 4-for-4 on the penalty kill and are now 89-for-106 (84.0%) on the kill this season.

SHOTS BY PERIOD

TEAMS	1st	2nd	3rd	OT	Total
Pittsburgh	8	8	16	-	32
Carolina	11	8	20	-	39