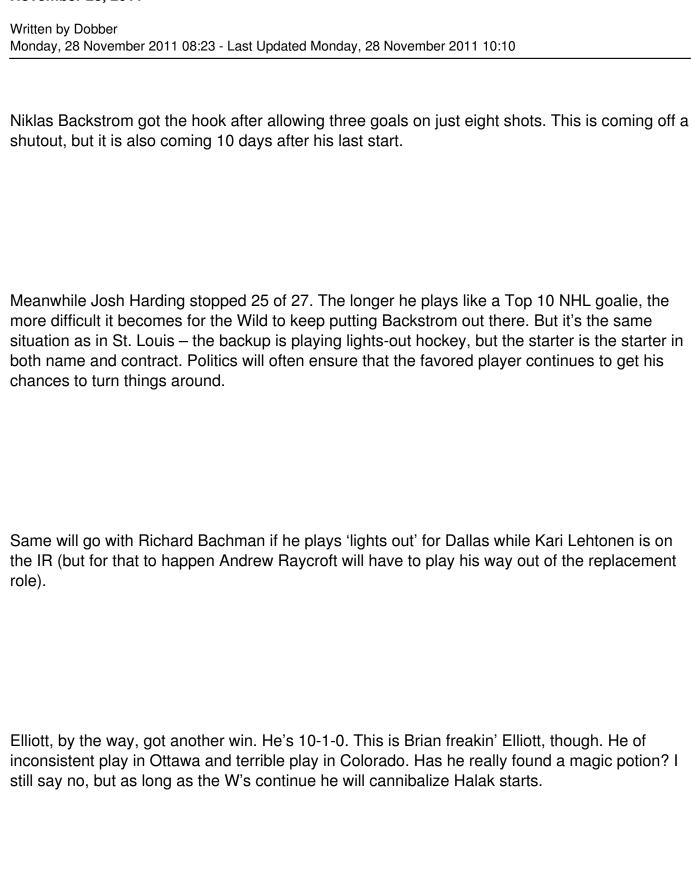
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Carolina has fired Paul Maurice and hired Kirk Muller. I will post a column breaking this down later today as well.
I will have a fantasy breakdown of the Bruce Boudreau firing later this morning. A reader suggested that I do breakdowns for coaching changes, not just trades. And I think that's a great idea.
Edmonton Oilers among the league's top 20 scorers last week: Ryan Smyth, Ryan Nugent-Hopkins and Jordan Eberle. The last time that was the case was during the 1986-87 season when Wayne Gretzky was leading the league, Jari Kurri was second and Mark Messier was tied with Mario Lemieux for third. (Rich Chere)
Steve Mason was back in the lineup – the backup goalie. Keep him on the bench until the Jackets get a real good run going, then try him. Set him up to succeed, for the sake of his career.

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New LA Kings lines: Kopitar with Brown and Hunter, Richards with Stoll and Gagne, Loktionov with Williams and Clifford. Jaroslav Halak will get the next start, per STLtoday.com. This is further to my little ramble below. The new line combos for Calgary really paid off, given the five goals that team scored. Jarome Iginla got on the board playing with Glencross and Jokinen. Don't forget, last year Iginla had just 10 points in his first 17 games. This year he has 11 in 22 so far. Last year he posted 76 points in his last 65 games. TJ Brodie now has three points in his last five games. Ice time is still a concern (14 minutes Sunday), but he's producing enough to make it difficult to be sent back down. Not a bad waiver pickup if you need a depth blueliner. So far Blake Comeau is pointless in two games for the Flames and his ice time slipped from 15:08 to 12:25. Small sample size, but not very promising.

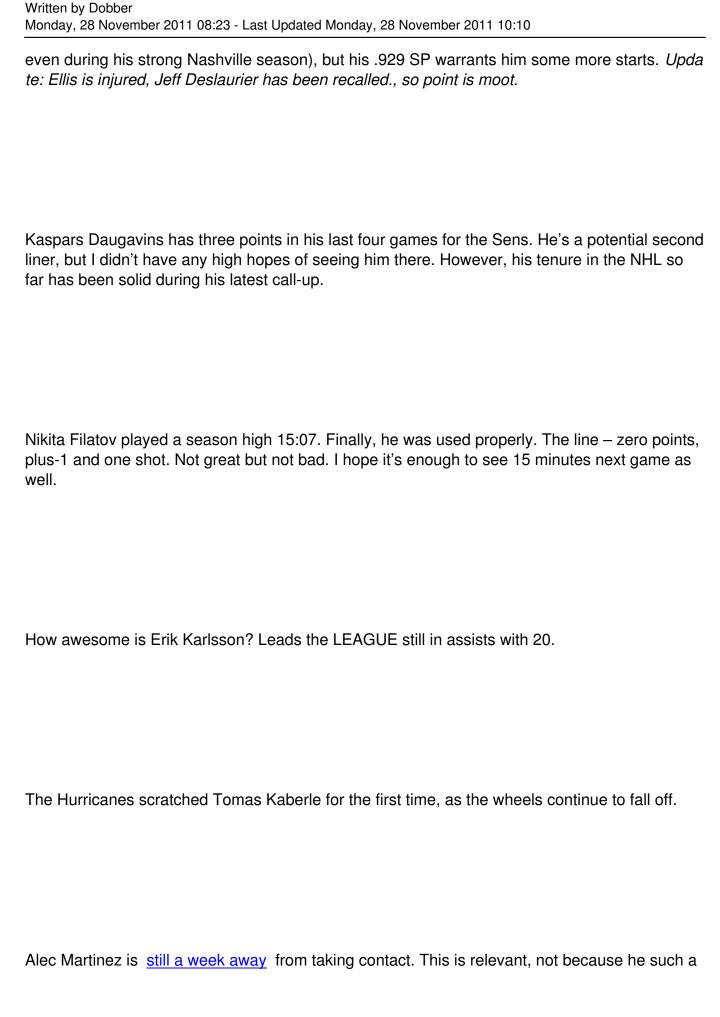


Kris Russell is now up to four points in eight games and is plus-5 for St.Louis. He doesn't shoot – just seven shots in eight games since joining the Blues. But he has five goals on his 27 shots this year. His PP time beat Shattenkirk's last night, which I found interesting.

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Derick Brassard has been scratched six times in the last eight games. Considering the team is on a 4-2-2 run in that span, I don't see the situation changing. He needs a new team and frankly I think he'll eventually get one this season.
Taylor Hall will be evaluated today. He left Saturday's contest with an injured shoulder. I'm looking at Magnus Paajarvi as the exact person to replace Hall's offensive role.
Mikhail Grabovski was back in the lineup for the Leafs Sunday, but did not hit the scoresheet. Despite his return, Joe Colborne remained in the lineup and picked up another point. In five career games, Colborne has points in four of them.
Joey Crabb has scored in three straight games. That's related the Colborne point above, as the two play together.
Jake Gardiner played 25:15 to lead the Leafs against his former organization Anaheim. Next highest was Phaneuf at 22:58. This on the heels of 28:34 on Friday.

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Tyler Bozak now has 11 points in his last nine contests. He's on pace for 57, which is more than achievable for him on this line.
Amazingly, Ryan Getzlaf has not been a plus player during his six-game points streak. He is minus-9 in that span.
It seems as though Anaheim and Washington are each playing to get their coach fired. I think the Ducks will succeed first, if either of them do . Obviously have to re-word this, as Washington coach Bruce Boudreau has been canned.
Bobby Ryan has two points and is minus-8 in the last six games. He's a much better player than this. But the entire team has to gear down on the offense to compensate for the horrible goaltending.
If Hiller isn't a rock, which an .897 SP indicates that he is not, then the entire dynamic of the team crumbles. Not that Dan Ellis is a great goaltender (I've actually been very critical of him,

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fantasy stud, but because his return could take Voynov out. And Voynov is a good one. But Voynov is playing so well I think he will make it hard for Martinez to get his spot back.
DobberBaseball Fantasy Prospects Report is now out. Be sure to <u>drop by the site</u> and pick that up if you're in a baseball keeper league. Also, the FORUM over there has had an injection of new members so if you're a fantasy baseball fanatic in the summer, give it a look .
Max Pacioretty will be on the horn with Shanaban today over this hit on Letang
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Cal Clutterbuck sprays Jarome Iginla with water:
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