Looking at the NHL schedule for week three...

Five games this week: Dallas

Only 15 times this season does a team play five games in seven nights. Dallas is the first team to experience this rare feat, and it's happening at just the right time of the season as the team is coming off a 6-0 thumping of the Predators. Try to grab Jamie Benn on the WW before its too late as he is not only seeing time on the 1st line with Ribeiro and Morrow, but also 1st PP time. The 2nd line of Eriksson, Richards and Neal has been more productive by a slight margin so far but I fully expect the 1st line to carry the team now that Morrow has a few games under his belt.

Four games this week: Boston, Atlanta, NYI, Vancouver

After only playing one game last week the Canucks are back to playing four games, three against division rivals. With injuries to D. Sedin and Salo, look for the Canucks fate to land in the hands of Roberto Luongo. Last season he started 4-4 before going on a 7-1-2 run. Having started 2-3 it may be another week of average play before Lou comes to life. Ehrhoff will be looked upon to run the PP and should provide owners will solid stats.

One game this week: Toronto

Most Leaf players would be benched on your roster after a horrible start so this just helps confirm the obvious.

I will be the first to admit that the Rangers have surprised me and my prediction of them missing the playoffs may be in jeopardy. Torts has done a great job of giving Del Zotto, Gilroy and Girardi a chance to thrive. Prospal looks to be back to his 80-55 trend and although I don't think he will hit 80 this season, 70+ is in the cards. Lundqvist is the goalie that I avoided in all my drafts this season when it came to tier one goalies (as he disappointed me last season), but has proven me wrong in the first two weeks.

Lastly, let's see how I did on my predictions from last week.

Hornqvist's line: 4GP 0G 1A -3 0PIM 0PPP 9SOG
Nashville had a horrible week and Dumont is the solution on the top line, not Hornqvist.

Colorado to win three out of four games: They won the first three games, and the last game is on Saturday against Det.

Hejduk's line: 3GP 2G 0A +1 0PIM 1PPP 8SOG
Goals > Assists ; With one game still to play this week

Mike Richards's line: yet to play a game

vs.

Troy Brouwer's line: 3GP 0G 0A 7PIM 0PPP 5SOG

With both players still to play one game this week I'll revisit this next week.

This week:

Friday October 16 to Thursday October 22, 2009

Best Bets

Dallas 4.63 - FIVE games BOS, CHI, LA, ANA, LA

Boston 4.01 - four games DAL, PHX, NSH, PHI

Atlanta 3.83 - four games NJ, BUF, MTL, WSH

NYI 3.80 - four games BUF, SJ, CAR, M

Vancouver 3.71 - four games CGY, MIN, EDM, CHI

Steer Clear

Toronto 0.96 -ONE game NYR

Colorado 1.77 - two games DET, MIN

Philadelphia 1.78 - two gamesFLA, BOS

Tbay 1.84 - two games PIT, SJ

St.Louis 1.90 - two games ANA, PIT

S aturday October 17 to Friday October 23, 2009

Best Bets

Dallas 3.77 - four games CHI, LA, ANA, LA

Montreal 3.50 - three games OTT, ATL, NYI

Pittsburgh 3.28 - three games TB, STL, FLA

SJ 3.09 - three games NYI, NYR, TBAY

LA 3.07 - three games CLB, DAL x 2

Steer Clear

Philadelphia 0.86 - ONE game BOS

Toronto 0.96 -ONE game NYR

Calgary 1.01 - ONE game CLB

Tbay 1.84 - two games PIT, SJ

NJ1.86 - two games CAR, NYR

Sunday October 18 to Saturday October 24, 2009

Best Bets

Dallas 3.84 - four games LA, ANA, LA, STL

Montreal 3.41 - three games ATL, NYI, NYR

LA 3.17 - three games DAL x 2, PHX

Vancouver 3.13 - three games EDM, CHI, TOR

SJ 3.09 - three games NYR, TB, ATL

Steer Clear

Toronto 0.87- ONE game VAN

NJ 1.81 - two games NYR, PIT

Philadelphia 1.88 - two games BOS, FLA

Ottawa 1.89 - two games NSH, BOS

Tbay 1.92 - two games SJ, BUF

Monday October 19 to Sunday October 25, 200

Best Bets

Vancouver 4.23 - four games EDM, CHI, TOR, EDM

LA 4.18 - four games DAL x 2, PHX, CLB

SJ 4.04 - four games NYR, TB, ATL, PHI

Columbus 3.86 - four games CGY, EDM, ANA, LA

Dallas 3.84 - four games LA, ANA, LA, STL

Steer Clear

Ottawa 1.89 - two games NSH, BOS

Toronto 0.87- ONE game VAN

Tbay 1.92 -- two games SJ, BUF

NJ 1.81 - two games NYR, PIT

Chicago 2.00 - two games VAM, NSH

Tuesday October 20 to Monday October 26, 2009

Best Bets

Montreal 4.64 - four games ATL, NYI, NYR, NYI

Minnesota 3.92 - four games COL, STL, CAR, CHI

Columbus 3.86 - four games CGY, EDM, ANA, LA

NYI 4.04 - four games CAR, MTL, WSH, MTL

Anaheim 3.43 - three games DAL, CLB, TOR

Steer Clear

NJ 1.81 - two games NYR, PIT

Toronto 1.82 - two games VAN, ANA

Ottawa 1.89 - two games NSH, BOS

Tbay 1.92 -- two games SJ, BUF

Buffalo 2.03 - two games FLA, TB

Wednesday October 21 to Tuesday October 27, 2009

Best Bets

Vancouver 4.31 - four games CHI, TOR, EDM, DET

NYI 4.04 - four games CAR, MTL, WSH, MTL

Edmonton 4.00 - four games CLB, CGY, VAN, COL

Minnesota 3.92 - four games COL, STL, CAR, CHI

Colorado 3.85 - four games MIN, CAR, DET, EDM

Steer Clear

Calgary 1.09 - ONE game

NJ 1.81 - two games NYR, PIT

Toronto 1.82 - two games VAN, ANA

Ottawa 1.89 - two games NSH, BOS

Tbay 1.92 -- two games SJ, BUF

Thursday October 22 to Wednesday October 28, 2009

Best Bets

Montreal 4.36 - four games NYI, NYR, NYI, PIT

SJ 4.20 - four games TB, ATL, PHI, LA

NYR 4.13 - four games NJ, MTL, PHX, NYI

Colorado 4.04 - four games CAR, DET, EDM, CGY

Edmonton 4.00 - four games CLB, CGY, VAN, COL

Steer Clear

Boston 1.89 - two games PHI, OTT

Chicago 1.91 - two games NSH, MIN

Tbay 1.92 -- two games SJ, BUF

Buffalo 1.95 - two games TB, NJ

Atlanta 1.97 - two games CLB, TOR

Friday October 23 to Thursday October 29, 2009

Best Bets

Vancouver 4.93 - four games TOR, EDM, DET, LA
Edmonton 4.07 - four games CGY, VAN, COL, DET
Colorado 4.04 - four games CAR, DET, EDM, CGY
St.Louis 4.03 - four games MIN, DAL, CAR, PHX
Minnesota 3.81 - four games STL, CAR, CHI, NSH

Steer Clear

Boston 1.86 - two games OTT, NJ
Buffalo 1.95 - two games TB, NJ
Atlanta 1.97 - two games SJ, WSH
Tbay 2.07 - two games BUF, OTT
Dallas 2.22 - two games STL, TOR

Saturday October 24 to Friday October 30, 2009

Best Bets

Vancouver 5.34 - FIVE games TOR, EDM, DET, LA, ANA
Washington 4.50 - four games NYI, PHI, ATL, NYI
SJ 4.22 - four games ATL, PHI, LA, COL
Edmonton 4.07 - four games CGY, VAN, COL, DET
Columbus 4.04 - four games ANA, LA, PHX, PIT

Steer Clear

Carolina 1.83 - two games MIN, STL
Boston 1.86 - two games OTT, NJ
Atlanta 1.97 - two games SJ, WSH
Tbay 2.07 - two games BUF, OTT
Calgary 2.23 - two games EDM, COL

Sunday October 25 to Saturday October 31, 2009

Best Bets

Montreal 4.33 - four games NYI, PIT, CHI, TOR

Vancouver 4.04 - four games EDM, DET, LA, ANA
NYI 3.94 - four games MTL, NYR, WSH, BUF
Toronto 3.89 - four games ANA, DAL, BUF, MTL
Edmonton 3.86 - four games VAN, COL, DET, BOS

Steer Clear

Tbay 1.86 - two games OTT, NJ
Carolina 1.98 - two games STL, PHI
Boston 2.02 - two games NJ, EDM
Atlanta 2.02 - two games OTT, WSH
Calgary 2.21 - two games COL, DET