

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS
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IN RUST WE TRUST

Bryan Rust scored in a second-consecutive game on Saturday night against Boston to set a new career high with 28 goals on the season.

- Rust's previous career high of 27 goals was set during the shortened 2019-20 season in 55 games:

Rust's Goals By Season

Season	GP	Goals
1. 2023-24	60	28
2. 2019-20	55	27
3. 2021-22	60	24
4. 2020-21	56	22
5. 2022-23	81	20



- With two goals in the Penguins' last two games of the regular season, Rust can become the second Penguin this season to hit the 30-goal mark, following linemate Sidney Crosby (41G).
- With two more goals, Rust can become just the seventh player during the Sidney Crosby-Evgeni Malkin era (since 2006-07) to score 30 goals:

30-Goal Seasons

Penguins Since 2006-07

1. Sidney Crosby	12	4. Phil Kessel	1
2. Evgeni Malkin	6	5. Chris Kunitz	1
3. Jake Guentzel	3	6. James Neal	1

KEEP IT ROLLIN'

Pittsburgh has earned points in 10 of their last 11 games, going 7-1-3 since March 24.

- Since the Penguins' hot streak began on March 24 in Colorado, no team in the league has more points than Pittsburgh's 17:

Team Points

Since March 24

1. Pittsburgh	17	4. NY Islanders	15
2. Carolina	16	5. NY Rangers	14
2. Dallas	16		

- Since March 24, the team ranks among the top-5 in the league in several categories:

League-Wide Ranks Since March 24		
Category	Stat	Rank
Points	17	1st
Wins	7	T-3rd
Goals For	46	T-1st
Goals Per Game	4.18	T-1st
Goal Differential	+11	3rd

DO YOU SEE WHAT OC

Drew O'Connor scored his first career shorthanded goal on Saturday night to extend his goal-scoring streak to three-consecutive games.

- For the second time in the past 10 games, O'Connor has scored a goal in three-consecutive games. Stretching back further, O'Connor has recorded three separate three-game goal-scoring streaks in his past 25 games.

Active Goal-Scoring Streaks			
Player	Games	Stats	Start Date
Auston Matthews	8	10G-3A-13PTS	March 30
Drew O'Connor	3	3G-1A-4PTS	April 8
Seth Jarvis	3	4G-1A-5PTS	April 9
Jordan Kyrou	3	4G-0A-4PTS	April 10

- With a goal tonight, O'Connor will have the first four-game goal streak of his career.
- This season, O'Connor has tripled his career-high marks in nearly every major category in 77 games, while leading all Penguins forwards and ranking second on the team with a career-best plus-14:

O'Connor's New vs. Old Career Highs				
	Goals	Assists	Points	Plus/Minus
2023-24 Stats	16	17	33	+14
Previous Career Highs	5	6	11	-1

BUNTING SEASON

Michael Bunting recorded a goal and assist on Saturday night against Boston and has nine points (3G-6A) over his last six games.

- Bunting has proved to be a great acquisition for Pittsburgh as he has tallied six goals, 10 assists and 16 points in 19 games since his trade from Carolina on March 7.
- Since the trade, Bunting's 10 assists rank second on Pittsburgh, while his 16 points are the fourth most:

Assists Since March 8

Penguins

1. Sidney Crosby	18
2. Michael Bunting	10
2. Kris Letang	10
4. Bryan Rust	9
4. Evgeni Malkin	9

Points Since March 8

Penguins

1. Sidney Crosby	27
2. Bryan Rust	19
3. Evgeni Malkin	17
4. Michael Bunting	16
5. Kris Letang	13

- Among players traded at the deadline this season, Bunting's 10 assists and 16 points are the second most on a player's new team, while his six goals rank third.
- Bunting enters tonight's game one goal away from hitting the 20-goal mark for the third-consecutive season.