

2021 March 21 Stream Scheme

Ladies and gentlemen welcome BACK once again to the greatest fantasy hockey podcast that focuses on streaming players for the upcoming week! It's THE STREEEEAM SCHEEEEME! We won't be talking about your superstars like your Mika Zibanejad's or your Mikko Rantanen's here, no siree bob. Here we get down to the nitty gritty. The dark depths of fantasy hockey that those OTHER podcasts are too scared to touch.

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Hopefully everyone is coming off a win. Not me, my team is back to losing again but I can't be too upset at them because believe it or not- it's actually my fault. On a couple of days this week I made the wrong call as to who to start and left a bunch of points on the bench, not only that but I didn't take Hintz off the IR to get his points on Thursday. And don't get me started on Roope Hintz. I am going to personally travel to Dallas Texas and fistfight him if he keeps up all this game time decision bologna. And once I get done with you Roope you'll just be straight up OUT instead of day to day so make up your dang mind.

But before we get to this week's streamer picks real quick we gotta review how we did last week because we're all about accountability here on the Stream Scheme.

****Zach Sanford-** Just an all time bad beat here on Zach Sanford. First the Blues game on Monday gets canceled because LA can't get out of Colorado on account of the snow, then he gets injured in Friday's game and doesn't play on Saturday. So what should have been a great schedule with great opportunity turns into only essentially one and a half games in which Sanford obviously doesn't score. A lesser man might say hey he had a postponed game and he got injured in the same week, it'd be easy to say this pick doesn't count. But I'm a man of honor and I don't want that kind of bad juju on me, so I'm calling this a loss on Zach Sanford.

Dillon Dube- had one of the weirder weeks I can ever recall. He was an easy win for us scoring 3 points in 4 games this week but in his last two games Dube absolutely fell off a cliff only playing like 6 minutes and he's not injured? Maybe I'm missing something here but the only thing I can find is that Dube was benched essentially, coach are ya new here Dube is one of your best players brah! But needless to say we'll take the dub but you can easily drop Dillon Dube at this point.

Colin Blackwell- only had one point in four games this week despite still skating alongside Panarin and such, so I have no idea I'm just completely ice cold on Rangers this year apparently. How do you not pick up a point in that game where the Rangers just absolutely embarrassed the Flyers 9-0. 9 goals and you can't even pick up a secondary assist for me my brotha? Good grief. I don't want to say Blackwell is dead to me because he was never actually good enough that I should have actually felt truly confident in this pick, but it's still disappointing nonetheless. Big loss here on Colin Blackwell you can safely drop him off of your squad.

****Phillip Danault-** Oh you Danault? Well you better CALLLLL SOMEBODAAAAAY! Filly Danault just straight killed it for us this past week scoring four points in four games, Danault even had 6 shots in his last game. If you picked up Filly Danault or if he's even still available in your league I gotta say you probably wanna pick him up or hang on to him again for this next week as the Montreal canadiens have another great schedule this week, so hopefully Filly Danault can keep it rollin for us.

Tyler Johnson- I have no idea how your team can be so good and Tyler Johnson is so bad. It defies logic. It defies reason. The Lightning scored 13 goals this week, you can't luck your way into a few points? I guess I should have learned my lesson by now and stop picking streamers JUST because they have a good schedule. Because really, there was no other reason to pick Tyler Johnson. It was just a straight schedule grab. So yeah, I'll take the L here and hopefully I learn my lesson this time, but probably not. Next time someone plays 5 games in a week I'll probably grab em again, I regret nothing.

Erik Cernek- Speaking of straight schedule grabs, Erik Cernek was a loss for us as well, Tampa Bay has just not been good to us this year. And to go along with the whole me not learning from my mistakes, Erik Cernek had 5 points in his last 4 games, CLEARLY he wasn't going to score any points in any of his FIVE games this week, but I at least thought he'd be able to perifs his way to a win for this week, but alas, Cernek did not. He just doesn't shoot or block enough, so it's a big fat loss here on Erik Cernek.

Alexander Romanov- A loss here as well, I guess it doesn't matter which coach is in Montreal or which players ahead of him on the depth chart are injured they just flat out refuse to give Romanov any kind of decent time on ice. Does anyone know if there is an actual reason why Romanov can't get any good ice time? Two seperate coaches now, it's unreal. But needless to say it's now the 2nd time this year he's failed us, so I think we can safely say he's not gonna get another opportunity this year, but in the future, who knows.

***Ryan Lingren-** makes us zero for three on defenders this week, I really should have never opened my big dumb mouth a couple weeks ago and bragged about how I was absolutely crushing it with my defensive streamers this year because ever since then I have regressed back to the mean HARD. Lingren sucked and he will continue to suck, and I think it's safe to say that no one ever should roster Ryan Lingren ever again.

Jonathan Drouin- The shallow league streamer of the week came up big for us with 3 points in 4 games, The Canadien forwards were some of the only streamers who cared about us this past week. I'm glad I followed my gut there and banked on the Habs to rebound at least a little bit this past week, too bad Romanov couldn't luck his way into a few points, but at least if you picked up Jonathan Drouin you did pretty good, and like I mentioned for Philly Danualt the Habs have a pretty good schedule this week as well, so you're gonna wanna pick up Drouin if he's still available in your league or hold on to him if you picked him up!

***Evan Rodrigues-** Two points in four games with a game in hand to play today on Sunday so that counts as a win here for Evan Rodrigues, now obviously Malkin got hurt which quickly put an end to his scoring ways so hopefully if you saw that happen you cut bait on Rodrigues after that, but either

way I'll take the small victory on Evan Rodrigues this week, but yeah you can definitely drop him from your team if you haven't already.

So that's 4 for 10 overall, so that's a loss for us overall for the week unless Tyler Johnson goes bananas today or something but I highly doubt it. Although last week Alex Iafallo did end up scoring on Sunday so that overtime loss does turn into a win, so for those keeping track at home the loss this week brings us to 6-2 on the year. Gotta do better, will do better this week.

But enough pitter patter let's get at her. Next up we're going to look at the schedules for the upcoming week starting with Monday March 22nd 2021. On Monday we have 20 teams playing, 10 teams playing on Tuesday, 12 teams playing on Wednesday, 22 teams playing on Thursday, 10 teams play on Friday, 22 teams play on Saturday, and 14 teams playing on Sunday.

So virtually identical to last week where Monday was a busy day and Tuesday was a slow day, the only difference being that Sunday is a liiiittle busier this week with 14 teams playing making it technically an off-day game although it's in the grey area of 14-16, so make sure you check your lineup that a streamer will indeed fit in on that day.

The best schedule of the week goes to the Montreal Canadiens who once again have a great schedule, for those keeping track at home that's 3 weeks in a row the Habs have had a good schedule, you love to see it. The Canadiens play four times this week on Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Sunday, but unfortunately no streamagamis this week as Monday is indeed a busy day, but that's still 3 off-day games for em this week. Not only that but the Habs play the Oilers 3 times and then the Senators on Sunday, so some pretty good matchups for some points one would think.

******After that we've got some teams with pretty good schedules this week, The Anaheim Ducks also play Monday-wednesday-Friday-Sunday they just play some harder teams, and there's a TON of teams that play 4 times with two-off day games, so many that I'm not gonna name every single one of them, but if you see a team playing four times this week, odds are they have a good schedule this week.

The worst schedule of the week is a three way tie between the LA Kings, the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Vancouver Canucks, all of those teams only play twice this week, so get rid of any fringe Kings, Leafs, or Canucks you've been hanging on to and pick up some streamers instead this week.

After that we have the Tampa Bay Lightning, the Pittsburgh Penguins, the New York Islanders, the Minnesota Wild, and the Carolina Hurricanes all play only just three times with only one off-day game in there, so especially if you picked up streamers from the Lightning and the Penguins last week make sure to drop those guys for new streamers this week.

So without further adu let's get into our streamer picks this week! Up first for our top forward streamer pick of the week it's **Eeli Tolvanen of the Nashville Predators**. Tolvanen has been a little bit of a roller coaster, he was a hot add a couple of weeks back but then he fell off the top power play and everyone dropped him, well guess what? Now Tolvanen is back getting that primo deployment to playing on the top line with Filly Fors and that terrible excuse for a hockey player Ryan Johansen, and Tolvanen is getting top power play time once again. Tolvanen has no points in his last two games but

he's shooting a decent amount and obviously he's seeing good minutes since he's top line top power play. Mix all that up and add that to the fact that the Nashville Predators have a pretty good schedule this week playing on Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday-Sunday so four games total with two off-day games, and the Preds play the lowly Red Wings and the slumping Blackhawks this week, so hopefully they're able to put up some good points and I believe Eeli Tolvanen will get in on that scoring, Tolvanen is only rostered in just FIVE percent of Yahoo leagues right now so pick up Eeli Tolvanen this week!

*My next forward streamer pick is **Jason Robertson of the Dallas Stars?** Who in the world is Jason Robertson? I have no idea but apparently more people know about him than Eeli Tolvanen apparently because Jason Robertson actually has a high rosterage than him at 6 percent rostered in Yahoo leagues, but it's for a reason. Jason Robertson is getting incredibly good deployment down there in Dallas, I don't want to say he's getting primo deployment because I'd call the Benn and Pavelski line the top line, but it's weird that Robertson gets to play with them on the top power play but not at even strength. Either way though, Robertson is still playing with a great line at even strength alongside Gurianov and Roope Hintz provided that Hintz actually plays. Roope Hintz are you hurt or are you injured, freaking PICK ONE because I've had it up to here with his never ending game time decision mularkey. But I digress, hard to get a better opportunity than Robertson has right now, he's getting a boatload of ice time, he's shooting the puck a bunch, he does have 3 points in his last 3 games so perhaps he is due to cool off, but I can't pass up the great deployment Robertson has and when the Stars play four times this next week with two off-day games that means pick up Jason Robertson this week!

***My third forward streamer this week is going to be an old friend we haven't heard from in a while so we're giving him the call this week, it's **Nick Schmaltz of the Arizona Coyotes!** That's right our old pal Schmaltzy was having a pretty great season, but he recently had a five game pointless streak that saw him fall back down to streamer range. Wish we could've caught him at that point but Schmaltzy did score two points in his last two games, but you'll have that whenever you're getting the primo deployment to that Schmaltzy is getting. That's right Schmaltz is playing on what I consider their top line playing alongside Clayton Keller and the electric Conor Garland at even strength and Schmaltz is on their top power play as well. The shots for Schmaltz are a bit inconsistent but so we are relying that Schmaltz will score for us this week, but the Coyotes I think are due for some points this week as they play four times on Monday-Tuesday-Friday-Saturday so four games total with two off-day games I like our chances with Schmaltzy this week. He's only rostered in just 13 percent of Yahoo leagues- so pick up Nick Schmaltz.

***My next forward streamer we're going back to Calgary for the 2nd week in a row, but this time I'm going with **Mikael Backlund of the Calgary Flames.** As I mentioned earlier when we were reviewing my Dube pick from last week there's some weird stuff that's going on in Calgary. Unlike our first three picks this week Backlund is not getting good deployment at all. It's Calgary so we know he's not gonna be on the top power play but he's also not playing with Johnny, Monny, Lindholm or Tkachuk. Backlund's firmly entrenched on their third line. But what Backlund is getting though is monster minutes. For whatever reason they're playing Backlund's line like crazy, he's getting like 18 and 19 minutes of time on ice a game. He's also been shooting a boatload, Backlund hasn't shot less than twice a game since FEBRUARY, and he's been putting up points too. Five points in his last five games for Backlund, so he's hot, he's putting up big minutes and big shots, add all that to the fact that the Flames have one of the BEST schedules of the week playing four times on Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Saturday plus they're playing the Senators and the Jets this week so I expect some points to be had and Backlund to get in on that scoring. Backlund's recent hot streak has

got him noticed as his rosterage has climbed up to 17 percent in Yahoo leagues so pick Mikael Backlund while you can this week.

My last regular forward streamer pick this week is old man **Scott Laughton of the Philadelphia Flyers**. Now don't get me wrong, the Flyers stink. Have you ever seen the Flyers win the cup? I guarantee no one listening to this has, and they won't win it this year either. They're out here get absolutely disrespected by the Rangers of all teams, so why am I going with 57 year old Scott Laughton even though the Flyers play the Rangers twice again this week? Well first off the Rangers ain't that good regardless of that whallop they put on the Flyers last week, and secondly if my pick is gonna jinx a team into playing terrible I'm glad it would be the Rangers because I love watching the Flyers lose. And if the Flyers put up points then I bet Laughton gets us a couple points this week. It's a win-win people. 63 year old Scott Laughton is rostered in 17 percent of Yahoo leagues which actually kind of bonkers, why do so many people have Scott Laughton on their team? It's a riddle that may never be solved but why not, pick up old man Scott Laughton this week!

My top defensive streamer pick this week is **Adam Boqvist of the Chicago Blackhawks**. Pretty simple here Boqvist is the top power play QB in Chicago so I want him as a streamer. Not as a season long hold necessarily because unfortunately Boqvist hasn't been able to do much with that deployment recently, no points in his last three games and unfortunately D-U-E doesn't work for defenders as much as it does forwards. However I do think Chicago bounces back a little bit this week and with four games against the Panthers and Predators this week I think the Blackhawks can put up some points this week, and I think Boqvist can get in on a point or two. And he's gonna have to for this pick to hit because Boqvist doesn't really get get perifs. But at only 14 percent rostered in Yahoo leagues if you need a defensive streamer you could do a lot worse than him, so pick up Adam Boqvist this week!

*My next defensive streamer is **Noah Hanifan of the Calgary Flames**. Noah Hanifan has been sneakily really freakin' good lately. He's only got 8 points on the year but five of those points of come in his last 8 games. Now I'm well aware that that typically means Hanifan won't score any points this week, but as I mentioned earlier I love the Flames schedule this week where they play four times with two against the Senators and two against the Jets. So theoretically there should be points to be had and hopefully Hanifan can get in on a couple of those. Even if he doesn't score this pick isn't necessarily a sure loss as Hanifan does have the ability to put up good perifs as well. He's only three percent rostered in Yahoo leagues right now, so if you love the Flames as much as I do this week why not pick up Noah Hanifan this week!

And for my last defensive streamer pick this week I'm going with **Jani Hakanpaa of the Anaheim Ducks**. My reasoning for picking Hakanpaa is pretty simple- he's got a great name. Hakanpaa! Just a lot of fun to say. Not just that though, Hakanpaa is your typical perifs beast- Just a single assist is all that Hakanpaa has on the year as far as scoring, but Hakanpaa still has 78 KKUPFL points so you know the man is putting in work for us bangers and mash folk. So the perifs will be our base for this pick so

all he has to do is luck into a single point and this pick is probably gonna hit. Now obviously the odds are against us because Hakanpaa has only got a point in one of his 32 games so far this year. We're not the only one who believes in Hakanpaa though as he's rostered in 15 percent of Yahoo leagues. And of course Anaheim has one of the best schedules of the week playing Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Sunday, so if you need a defender that can fit in for you on those off-day games this week then why not, take a chance on Jani Hakanpaa!

For my shallow league streamer of the week I'm going with **Paul Stastny of the Winnipeg Jets**. I just can't quit Paul Stastny. He's getting absolute PRIMO deployment. And if we were to tier the different levels of primo deployment Stastny would be in the top tier. He's playing with freaking Scheifele and Wheeler both at even strength and on the top power play as well. But Stastny never actually truly takes advantage of it, which is why he's still only rostered in just 25 percent of leagues- he's only got 18 points in 31 games so far this year. But he's pointless in his last two games which we like to see, and with one of the best schedules of the week playing on Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Saturday against the Canucks and the Flames, I think Stastny can pick up a couple points for us this week. So why not? Pick up Paul Stastny and see if he can deliver for us again this week!

And lastly for my ludicrous streaaammeerrrr of the week- we've got **Ryan Donato of the San Jose Sharks**. Just an all time Pittsburghese name if I've ever heard one. Donato doesn't necessarily have the best deployment, playing on their 3rd line. And his minutes are certainly not ideal as they fluctuate wildly. His last game Donato played 15 minutes, but in the two games before that he just played 8 and 10 minutes respectively. The saving grace and the main reason why we're rolling with Donato here though is because he's at least on the top power play in San Jose. For now at least. He's very power play dependent though because if he gets bumped off that power play this pick will probably fail, but I'm banking that he sticks on it and in a week where San Jose has one of the best schedules of the week playing Monday-Wednesday-Friday-Saturday with two games against the Kings and two games against the Yotes, I like the Sharks power play to score some points this week, and hopefully Donato can get in on that. He's a ludicrous streamer so you know he's gonna be available pretty much everywhere as he's only rostered in just ONE percent of Yahoo leagues- so if you're in a deeeeeeeeeep deep league take a chance on Ryan Donato this week!

So there we have it! To recap, our streamers for the week starting on Monday March 22nd 2021 are the following- forward streamers Eeli Tolvanen, Jason Robertson, Nick Schmaltz, Mikael Backlund and old man Scott Laughton. Our defensive streamers are Adam Boqvist, Noah Hanifan and Jani Hakanpaa. Our Shallow League streamer of the week is Paul Stastny, while our LUDICROUS STREAAAMMEERRRR of the week is Ryan Donato.

Good luck to everyone this week, feel free to hit me up on the Keeping Karlsson Patron Discord server or on twitter @NHLStreamScheme. Thank you once again everyone for tuning in and remember- you don't have to listen to me, but your league-mates will! See ya!