Wednesday, May 24, 2023

CAROLINA HURRICANES@FLORIDA PANTHERS

Game Time: 8:00 PM EST

Broadcast: TNT

Game Pick: MONEY LINE

CAROLINA HURRICANES -102

Greetings friends !!! For our Dr. Alan 2023 NHL Stanley Cup hockey playoff special release, we are going to back the Carolina Hurricanes -102 vs. the Florida Panthers in this Game # 4 Eastern Conference Final Stanley Cup playoff game. With the NHL playoffs, it's a brand-new season. However, we'll still look for VALUE in the money line, puck line or the total line, and we'll still take into account & factor into our handicapping how a team played during the regular season, and at how the teams are playing in the post season. And of course, we'll look for elements of our 5 main criteria - fundamental match ups / head coaching match ups, schedule, historical / situational, public betting splits / line movement & Dr. Alan psychological motivation. Let's take a look below at some of the "key points" that support a wager on the Hurricanes -102

DR. ALAN'S GAME ANALYSIS

- The Carolina Hurricanes finished with 113 points in the regular season, and they are the Eastern Conference # 2 seed.

 The Florida Panthers finished with 92 points in the regular season, and they are the Eastern Conference # 8 seed.
- The Panthers are up 3-0 in this series due to back-to-back OT wins.

 Game # 1 produced a final score of 3-2 in a 4 OT marathon with the Panthers coming out on top.

 Game # 2 produced another OT game, with the Panthers coming out on top by a final score of 2-1

 Game # 3 produced a 1-0 Panthers win. Thus, this Game # 4 is an elimination game for the Hurricanes.
- There are 5 teams in NHL history who come back from an 0-3 deficit to win the playoff series. (Unlike the NBA where it has never been done before. In MLB it has been done 1 time)
- These 3 games have all been very close, the margin between victory & defeat between these 2 squads has been RAZOR THIN, but so far, all 3 games have fallen the Panthers way.
- ➤ The Hurricanes have outshot the Panthers in all 3 games.

 The Hurricanes outshot the Panthers 32-17 in Game # 3, 38-26 in Game # 2, & 65-60 in Game # 1.
- > **The goalie match-up** tonight features the Hurricanes Frederick Andersen and the Panthers Sergei Bobrovsky, both of whom have played well this post season.
- ➤ In the NHL playoffs, historically SWEEPS ARE RARE.

 From the NHL founding through the 2022 season there have been 741 7 game playoff series, and there have been 127 sweeps which is approx. 17 %. There have been zero sweeps this year.

- Over the past 35 seasons, there have been 75 sweeps out of 525 7 game series, which is approx. 14 %.
 Breaking it down specifically to the Conference Finals, there have 6 sweeps in the approx. 24 %
- Thus, history is on the side of the Hurricanes to extend the series to a Game # 5
- ➤ In regard to my **Dr. Alan psychological handicapping**, this game sets up well for the Hurricanes.
 - Of course, the Panthers will be motivated to win this game in front of their home fans and end the series.
 - However, as previously mentioned, all 3 of these games have been close, and the margin between victory & defeat has been RAZOR THIN.
 - In this SPECIIFC GAME, I am going to side with the Hurricanes as they obviously are the MORE DESPERATE TEAM, and they have been in every game right down to the end.
 - I expect that the Hurricanes will play with MAXIMUM EFFORT & URGENCT to stave off elimination !!!
- Lastly, we will NEVER make a wager based solely on what the general public is betting on (or not betting on)
 - The general betting public does win, it's just that we all know for a 100 % documented certain FACT, that THE HOUSE wins more OVER THE LONG TERM then the general betting public does (obviously, otherwise the sportsbooks would all be out of business) It's just 1 factor that I do look at in my handicapping process, and we can use that to our advantage in certain situations.
- The general betting public is POUNDING THE PANTHERS with approx. 65 % of the wagers !!! THE HOUSE hasn't adjusted the money line of to attract more Hurricanes money \$\$\$.
- ➤ In essence, "THE HOUSE" has "TAKEN A POSITION" on this game on the Hurricanes. Does this guarantee us a win? No, of course not.
- ➤ However, what it does is to put us FIRMLY ON THE SAME SIDE AS THE HOUSE, which is where we want to be most of the time !!!
- ➤ Because as we all know, THE HOUSE NEVER LOSES LONG TERM !!!
- So tonight, we are going to take the Hurricanes 102 in Game # 4 Eastern Conference Final matchup between the Carolina Hurricanes vs. the Florida Panthers in the Sunshine State !!!

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