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Top 5 Most Improved Teams in the NHL? RUMOUR UPDATED 4:28PM

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It has been an interesting summer with plenty of changes. Last summer I really felt as if there were many teams that made big leaps forward. This summer feels very different for some reason...

My top 5 are...

1. Phoenix
2. Edmonton
3. San Jose
4. Chicago
5. Tampa

Tell me yours...

A lot going on today, but so far the most solid is the fact that the LA Kings are shopping for a veteran d-man. You need to look no further than what they did last year when they signed Brad Stuart and moved him at the deadline to know what they are thinking here...

According to an LA source: "Anaheim's Mathieu Schneider is the one the Kings are seriously considering. Other names under consideration would be San Jose's Kyle McLaren, Florida's Karlis Skrastins, Nashville's Greg de Vries, St. Louis' Jay McKee and Pittsburgh's Darryl Sydor. There's one more name out there that might surface as a real option in the next couple days, but as always these talks are pretty fluid."

All of these D-men, except for McKee, are entering the final years of their contract and are primed to be not only contributors, but also as in the case of Stuart...trade deadline bait.

Hats off to our own Eric Engels who will be hosting the Habs pregame and postgame shows on Montreal's Sports Authority, The Team 990 (990 AM here in Montreal) on weekends...Just another success story from the Hockeybuzz Team and we are seriously proud of Eric.

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