

# The Quest for the Stanley Cup

*The battle for the Stanley Cup continues as the New York Rangers struggle to extend the series to a seventh game.*

DELRAY BEACH , FLORIDA, USA, May 26, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Those who love to watch hockey matches or play hockey would be very well aware of the [Stanley Cup](#) that is awarded annually to the National Hockey League playoff winner at the end of the game or after the finals. Initially in 1892 it was named as the Dominion Hockey Challenge Cup. Winners keep the trophy until a new champion has been crowned after which



Tampa Bay Lightning vs. New York Rangers

he has to pass it on to the present winner and so on. [New York Rangers](#) were the first ones to win the Stanley Cup in the United States.

16 NHL teams will be competing this year (2015) in order to win the Stanley Cup. Game five held on 26th May 2015 between [Chicago Blackhawks](#) and Anaheim Ducks displayed a lack of talent among the players. The New York Rangers were shut out with 2-0 in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference final during the playoffs. Game six is on Tuesday night (26th May 2015) at Amalie Arena. A Lightning victory will send Tampa Bay to the Cup finals for the second time in franchise history. And the Rangers are looking to extend the series to a seventh game, which would be played Friday night in New York. After failing to find the back of the net in Tampa

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“We just have to go down there and play confident, play our best game and try to get a win,”

*Marc Staal*

Bay's first eight games this postseason, Stamkos has scored in seven of the past 10 to help the Lightning eliminate Montreal in the second round and take a 3-2 series lead over the Rangers. New York overcame a 3-1 deficit to eliminate the Washington Capitals in the second round. They've been a resilient team in reaching the conference finals three of the past four years, and say they believe they're capable of taking the series back to Madison Square Garden.

Henrik Lundqvist rebounded from allowing 12 combined goals in Games 2 and 3 to shut down the Lightning in Game 4. He didn't play poorly in Game 5, and his reputation for excellence in crucial situation is well known.

The Rangers are 3-0 in elimination games this postseason.

There have been a number of predictions also made by odds-makers as to which team should win or which team will win the Cup this year and its still too early to know.

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