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### ***Jets rest, recover and regroup ahead of Sin City showdown***

By: Mike McIntyre

LAS VEGAS — The Winnipeg Jets haven't had time to practice much of anything lately, unless you're counting how to efficiently check in and out of a hotel and get on and off a charter flight as quickly as possible.

So Thursday's 45-minute American Thanksgiving twirl at T-Mobile Arena — their first non game-day skate in eight long days — was a welcome development for a road-weary club.

"Coming off a loss like we had (Wednesday) night, it was important to keep the guys together, get them back out (on the ice) and regroup them," said assistant coach Dean Chynoweth. "We've got to take what we can from that game and then we've got to move forward."

Winnipeg had one of its roughest outings of the year against the Los Angeles Kings, mustering a season-low 14 shots on goal and losing 4-1. Gabe Vilardi's power-play tally was the only offence on the night.

"We didn't feel we had our best game — or anything close to it," said defenceman Josh Morrissey, who stayed out for some extra individual work Thursday.

"We're in that grinding part of the road trip. It would be nice to come out with two great games, play the way we feel our identity is as Winnipeg Jets these next two games."

It doesn't get any easier, as the Jets will face the Vegas Golden Knights on Friday in a battle of first place clubs from the Central and Pacific Divisions. After that, it's a date with the always dangerous Dallas Stars on Sunday afternoon before finally heading home.

"We'd love to come out with two wins and make it a pretty successful road trip," said Morrissey. "But no matter what, we just want to see our identity back these next two games for as close to 60 minutes as possible, and just be that team that we know we are."

Overall, the Jets still sit on top of the NHL standings at 18-5-0, but they are just a pedestrian 4-4-0 in the last eight games. Seven of those have been played on the road.

"Seeing the video and the tape from (Wednesday) night, there were areas of our game we weren't sharp with," said Jets captain Adam Lowry.

"When we're not at our best in those areas, the offence — we don't generate a lot of opportunities — and we spend a lot of time defending. It was pretty cut and dry the message from (coach Scott Arniel) on what we need to improve upon. I think everyone recognizes that's not how we expect to play and not the standard we've set for ourselves this year."

Lowry said having some time to focus on the fundamentals — which can inevitably start to slip during a seemingly non-stop barrage of games and travel — is pivotal.

“The practice was more about getting the feet and the hands moving again. Obviously it’s a quick turn around (Friday) with an earlier evening game, so no morning skate,” he said.

“So just rest, recover, do everything you can so you have your legs and you’re mentally sharp, and you can make the right decisions out there that ultimately we didn’t do (Wednesday) night.”

When the Jets are at their best, they come at opponents in unrelenting waves. Against the Kings, they barely caused a trickle in the offensive zone.

“It’s a tough league, so you need everybody. You can’t have guys that take nights off. And you need the other guys to pick them up and drag them along,” said Chynoweth.

“That was not our best hockey, by any means. Now we’ve got the back end of this road trip, with two extremely tough teams.”

The Jets have typically followed up a sub-standard outing with a solid one, so all eyes will be on them Friday to see if that holds true once again.

“So far this season, we have (responded). And this is another one of those moments,” said Chynoweth.

“You go through a season, when you have an 82-game schedule, and you’re going to have those games and then, it’s (about) how you respond. It’s the next game, it’s the next shift, it’s after a goal and you’ve got to be able to put yourself in the position to have success in those.”

Centre Vladislav Namestnikov was absent from Thursday’s skate for what the team described as maintenance, with David Gustafsson — a healthy scratch in 22 of 23 games this year — taking his spot in line rushes between Cole Perfetti and Nikolaj Ehlers.

Vegas is coming off a 2-1 shootout loss on Wednesday in Colorado. They are led by star centre Jack Eichel, who sits fourth in NHL scoring with 34 points (8G, 26A).

“When I look at their team, they’re built a lot like us. They have tremendous depth and they get contributions up and down their line-up, a lot of guys chipping in and off to great starts,” said Lowry.

“They have a real deep back end, they make it tough to get to the front of the net, their D block a ton of shots. They have some great goalies back there. Like every game this road trip, it’s felt like, we’re playing a great team and we’re going to need to be at our best in order to find some success here.”

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***Scheifele situation shrouded in mystery  
Star centre not talking as he shuns faceoff circle and play suffers***

By: Mike McIntyre

LAS VEGAS — Mark Scheifele knew the questions were coming. The star centre for the Winnipeg Jets — who clearly hasn't been himself in recent games — wasn't about to let his guard down and offer up any clues.

Why hasn't he been taking any faceoffs lately, deferring to winger Gabe Vilardi on nearly every single draw? Is he battling an injury that is prohibiting him?

"Gabe's been doing well, so I'm just going to leave it at that," Scheifele told the Free Press following Thursday's practice at T-Mobile Arena. "I'm just going to leave it at that. He's been awesome."

The plot thickens.

As the 18-5-0 Jets prepare to face the 14-6-3 Vegas Golden Knights on Friday, here's what the evidence tells us about the mysterious situation.

On Nov. 19 in Winnipeg, Scheifele recorded a hat trick against the Florida Panthers in a 6-3 victory and took 14 faceoffs that night to Vilardi's five. That would be normal type of split, owing to the centreman getting kicked out of the dot a few times in a typical game.

However, in the four games so far on this season-long six-game road trip, Scheifele has taken a grand total of four faceoffs — and none in the last two outings. Vilardi, meanwhile, has taken 62.

That, folks, is a smoking gun.

"Obviously it's an adjustment, but Gabe's been great," said Scheifele, who was clearly stickhandling around why the adjustment is necessary.

"Just want to keep helping him, and hopefully we can get this thing back on track."

Scheifele is correct about Vilardi, who played centre in junior and a little bit when he first broke into the NHL with the Los Angeles Kings. He's gone 38-24 in the last four games, for a 61 per cent success rate. That would have Vilardi fourth in the NHL in faceoff efficiency, behind Aleksander Barkov, Jamie Benn and Claude Giroux, if he manages to keep that pace.

You wonder if, at some point down the road, the Jets might actually consider a permanent shift to centre for Vilardi. Although he's been a good fit with Scheifele and Kyle Connor on the top line, perhaps he could be the answer to the ongoing search for a full-time second-line centre behind Scheifele, a role currently occupied by Vlad Namestnikov.

Still, the fact Scheifele is deferring speaks to something obviously going on the player and the team don't wish to discuss. Scheifele missed Winnipeg's practice on Nov. 20, owing to what head coach Scott Arniel called maintenance. While he hasn't missed a shift in any games, he's not exactly producing at his previous rate on this road trip.

The Jets have gone 2-2 so far, scoring 10 goals and allowing 10, but Scheifele has just two assists and is a minus-four. For perspective, he had 12 goals and 12 assists and was a plus-six in the first 19 games.

He also has just five shots on goal in the four games, including none in Wednesday's 4-1 loss to the Los Angeles Kings. Scheifele had 45 shots in the first 19 contests.

There's also been a palpable sense of frustration, as proven by the four minor penalties he's taken including three last Saturday night in Nashville. That's the same number he'd taken in the first 19 games combined.

One theory is Scheifele may have tweaked something in the Nov. 16 game in Florida, a 5-0 loss to the Panthers which saw him drop the gloves with Aaron Ekblad during the third period.

In the rematch three nights later, Scheifele went five-for-14 in faceoffs. Was he playing through something at that point — a shoulder? a wrist? — and realized it was doing more harm than good in the dot? Vilardi went three-for-5, and essentially took over duties starting the next game in Pittsburgh.

One bit of speculation we can rule out: This is not a case of Scheifele trying to show Team Canada brass he can be flexible and play the wing if necessary. The rosters for the 4 Nations Face-Off will be revealed next week, and Scheifele's way on to the national squad would likely mean shifting off centre.

There's no chance — none — what we are currently seeing with Scheifele and the Jets is somehow a bit of message-sending to the Canadian brass.

If Scheifele has an ailment, the good news is he was a full participant at Thursday's skate. Like his teammates, there's an obvious sense of motivation to right the wrong after a tough outing in Los Angeles.

"Obviously, it's been a long road trip so far, but it's not over. We have two tough tests and have to be on our a game for both of them to have a chance," said Scheifele. "Hopefully we can come back with a rebound game (Friday) and get going."

Scheifele was in good humour as he discussed getting a two-minute coincidental roughing minor on Monday night in Minnesota which ended up turning into an eight minute, five second stint in the sin bin. That's how long he ultimately served due to continuous play without a whistle that prevented him from leaving the box.

"I was just praying for an icing to get out of there," said Scheifele. "There were three that got waved off. It felt like forever."

Other than goaltender Connor Hellebuyck, there's no player more important to Winnipeg's fortunes than Scheifele. So seeing him return to previous form sooner than later — including taking faceoffs, shooting the puck, putting up points and staying out of the penalty box — would be welcome developments.

Scheifele admitted there's always a bit of extra motivation in coming to Sin City, where the ghosts of playoffs past are all around them. Vegas ended Winnipeg's bid for a Stanley Cup Final appearance in the spring of 2018, then quickly ended a once-promising campaign in 2023.

"Obviously we have a sour taste in our mouths from losing to them twice in the playoffs," said Scheifele.

"But it's a great building to play in. They're always a good team. So it's always a tough test. You always have to get ramped up to play Vegas, and in Vegas."

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### ***Jets continue road trip in Las Vegas, hope to learn from loss to Kings***

By Jim Bender

The odds say that betting on the Winnipeg Jets in the city of slot machines would not be a smart choice Friday night.

After all, the Jets have lost six straight games to the Vegas Golden Knights, including the last three in Las Vegas. The Jets also just lost the fourth match of an exhausting six-game road trip to the Kings in Los Angeles on Wednesday and may need oxygen on the bench.

The Jets have not even had enough time to practise between games until Thursday.

“Today in practice, it was more just getting our hands and our feet moving and obviously, it’s a quick turnaround tomorrow,” Jets captain Adam Lowry told reporters in Las Vegas after that workout. “It’s an earlier evening game (starting at 5:30 p.m. PT/7:30 p.m. CT), so there will be no morning skate. So, we can rest, recover and try to do everything you can so tomorrow, you have your legs and you’re mentally sharp so you can make the right decisions out there, which we didn’t do (Wednesday) night.”

But first, they were forced to watch the video of their lacklustre play during a 4-1 loss to the Kings.

“After seeing the video from (Wednesday), I think it’s clear there’s areas of our game that we weren’t very sharp with and not at our best in those areas,” Lowry said. “On offence, we didn’t create a lot of opportunities and on defence, we spent a lot of time defending. It was a very cut-and-dried message coming from Arnie (head coach Scott Arniel) and what we need to improve on. I think everyone recognizes that that’s not how we expect to play and that’s not the standard we set for ourselves this year.

“When we’re at our best is when we’re advancing our zones and not turning pucks over high in our end or high in the offensive zone and we can create some offensive zone time, and last night, that wasn’t the case.”

The first practice of the trip could prove to be critical to how they play versus the Knights on Friday.

“Coming off a loss like we did last night, it’s important to keep the guys together, get them back out, try to re-group them,” said assistant coach Dean Chynoweth. “We’ve got to take what we can from that game and now, we’ve got to move forward for (Friday).

“I think the biggest thing with our group is that when we play as an 18-man unit, with everybody contributing — it’s a tough league, so you need everybody. You can’t have guys that take nights off, you can’t have guys that have an off night, you need guys to pick them back up and drag

them along. That was not our best hockey by any means and now, we've got the back end of this road trip with two extremely tough teams."

On the other hand, Winnipeg remains in first place and has been first overall for 38 straight days, the longest in franchise history, bettering the mark of eight days, set last season. The Jets are also 9-4-0 on the road, with the second-most road wins in the NHL to date. They are 2-2 so far on this road swing.

"It's tough to win in other teams' buildings but ultimately, we've been pretty successful on the road," Lowry said. "Obviously, we haven't liked our last few road games."

Lowry believes the Jets are similar to the Knights, who just finished a five-game road trip (3-1-1) of their own.

"They're built a lot like us," he said. "They have a tremendous staff. They have a lot of contributions up and down the lineup, lot of guys chipping in. They get off to great starts and they have a deep back end. They really make it tough to get to the front of the net and they block a lot of shots. And they've got some great goalies back there.

"Like every game on this road trip, it's felt like we're playing a great team and we're going to need to be at our best to find some success here."

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Chynoweth said that young defenceman Ville Heinola is still a work-in-progress after just dressing for just his second game of the season versus the Kings. "I thought, first game, he probably played on a lot of adrenaline and excitement," he said. "The second game, obviously, we didn't play well as a group. So, there's stuff to work on there and that's what we're here to do, and we'll continue to develop him." ... Forward Vladislav Namestnikov missed Thursday's practice for what was believed to be "a maintenance day."

#### **The Athletic**

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#### ***NHL 4 Nations Face-Off: Which Winnipeg Jets will make their respective teams?***

By Murat Ates

Mark Scheifele has taken 18 faceoffs in five games since fighting Aaron Ekblad in Florida two weeks ago.

This has led to two kinds of speculation. One group of fans wonders out loud if Scheifele is hurt. Another wonders if the 31-year-old Kitchener, Ont., product with 26 points in his first 23 games is auditioning for Team Canada.

Canada's 4 Nations Face-Off team is set to be so deep down the middle that reigning Hart Trophy winner Nathan MacKinnon is expected to start at right wing. Scheifele is not in that class of centreman, nor is he Connor McDavid, Sidney Crosby or Brayden Point, but he has a legitimate case for Team Canada consideration. There are a lot of lenses through which he could help, and right wing makes sense for most of them.

I still think Scheifele is playing hurt. If that is the case, I'm guessing the Winnipeg Jets' medical team has assured him his injury won't get worse — and I imagine that playing for Team Canada provides extra incentive. In the short run, that makes perfect sense. Rosters are due this Monday afternoon, with official announcements to follow Wednesday.

Scheifele isn't the only Jets player with a strong case to represent his country this February.

Winnipeg has two American locks — Connor Hellebuyck and Kyle Connor — and star Canadian defenceman Josh Morrissey seems like an obvious Canadian selection. There's also an outside shot of Canada opting for a shutdown fourth line, opening consideration for Adam Lowry.

Which Jets players will make their respective teams? What roles will be available to them, and when Monday's deadline comes and goes, will Scheifele's push have been worth it?

### *Team USA*

#### *Candidate No. 1: Connor Hellebuyck*

The best case to make it: Hellebuyck could be the best goaltender in the world. Limit your sample to clear-cut starters — goalies who have played at least eight games this season — and Hellebuyck has the second-best save percentage (.928) and the second-best goals-against average (2.11), and he is first in goals saved above expected (17.7). He's also the defending Vezina Trophy winner and one of only two active goaltenders to have won that Trophy twice (Sergei Bobrovsky is the other).

It's also worth noting that Hellebuyck owns the title for most goals above expected by any goaltender in any game this season, and he did it against Team USA general manager Bill Guerin against the Minnesota Wild this week. Guerin was seen chatting with Hellebuyck outside the Jets dressing room after that game, and it's reasonable to assume their conversation was about Team USA.

The best case to miss it: Are you a Jets fan, hoping to keep Hellebuyck rested for the playoffs? Perhaps you cheer for Team Canada and want to put your thumb on the scale, hoping Canada takes home the gold. Otherwise, there is no case for Hellebuyck to be left off Team USA.

He's the Americans' most likely starter. If you're a Jets fan, you might have already made this point at a recent home game:

#### *Candidate No. 2: Kyle Connor*

The best case to make it: Connor is a unique offensive talent, and there are few better finishers from any country. That's particularly clear now, with Connor tied with Cole Caufield for the most goals (13) by an American skater. He's second to Jack Eichel in points, and if you extend the sample to last season, Connor is one of only seven American forwards who have scored at a point per game or better.

He's also a pure winger who does part of his offseason training in Michigan with top American centres like Jack Hughes and Dylan Larkin. Connor and Larkin were teammates with Belle Tire for multiple seasons; that doesn't guarantee chemistry, but it's one of many connections Connor has on the American roster.

Forget the numbers and backstory, though. Connor's best case to make Team USA is that he finishes plays that even the world's best players struggle with.

The best case to miss it: There have been several seasons and stretches when Connor's defensive impact has let the air out of his offence. He's had moments in his career where he's been something of an "empty calories" scorer, getting outscored by 13 goals from 2018-19 through 2021-22 despite his brilliant offence.

That hasn't been the case this season. No, Connor is not a perfect defensive player — and yes, he struggles at times to get the puck out under pressure — but his commitment to back pressure has been more than enough to help him outscore his opponents at the other end of the rink. He's a bona fide top-six wing on Team USA and one of many power-play options at the Americans' disposal.

Honorable mention: Neal Pionk, who is third in points among American defencemen.

### *Team Canada*

#### *Candidate No. 1: Josh Morrissey*

The best case to make it: Morrissey is one of the world's best offensive defencemen, second only to Cale Makar in point production among Canadian defencemen this season. If you add last year to the sample, Morrissey is still third, with Evan Bouchard leapfrogging, but Morrissey reclaims second place if you add his 76-point 2022-23 explosion. We might not talk about him enough, which seems hard to believe.

It's not as though Morrissey is Winnipeg's unheralded secret anymore, either. He finished seventh in 2024 Norris Trophy voting (third among Canadians) after finishing fifth in 2023 (and second among Canadians). And Morrissey has become a better defender since his career year, with improved defensive metrics making 2023-24 an even more impressive season for him.

It's hard for me to see a world in which Morrissey is left off Team Canada.

The best case to miss it: If you look through the right lens, Morrissey's skill set could be seen as redundant. Makar has already been named to the team, and competition for a "mobile, great offensive defenceman who defends well too" comes in the form of Alex Pietrangelo, Shea Theodore, Dougie Hamilton and Brandon Montour. Canada could pick Makar to anchor the top pair, run Vegas Golden Knights teammates Theodore and Pietrangelo together on its second pair, and then go in a more physical direction with somebody like MacKenzie Weegar on its third pair.

I don't think there's enough competition in that group or beyond it to justify leaving Morrissey off Team Canada. I'm just trying to squint in search of it for this argument. Consider as well that Morrissey and longtime partner Dylan DeMelo have been outshot as a pairing at five-on-five this season after years of controlling flow-of-play metrics. If you blame Morrissey for that, perhaps there is a crack in his case to make Team Canada.

#### *Candidate No. 2: Mark Scheifele*

The best case to make it: Scheifele's 26 points in 23 games rank eighth among Canadian forwards to start the season. He's clear of surefire roster players like Crosby and Point, clear of bubble players like Sam Bennett and Anthony Cirelli, and clear of former Olympians like John Tavares.

Scheifele has a strong playoff resume with 38 points in 42 games, a slightly better production rate than his 743 points in 820 regular-season games. Scheifele was a driving force behind Winnipeg's 2018 run to the conference final; fans with good memories remember the 14 goals



he scored in 17 playoff games that year. This followed Scheifele's 2017 performance for Canada at the Men's World Championships, where he scored 8 points in 10 games en route to a silver medal.

Scheifele has a realistic shot to make Team Canada. He's known as a big-game player, has represented his country before and is off to a scorching-hot offensive start, whether he's playing hurt or not.

The best case to miss it: Scheifele's defensive chops fall short of Canada's other forwards. Team Canada could play MacKinnon, Sam Reinhart, Mark Stone and Mitch Marner down the right side without missing an offensive beat. Meanwhile, all of those players have better underlying defensive numbers than Scheifele — and established two-way reputations, too.

There is also the matter of Scheifele's potential injury. Even though he managed a hat trick in Winnipeg's rematch with the Florida Panthers last Tuesday, Scheifele seems to be playing through pain and deliberately avoiding the faceoff circle.

Consider the goal Winnipeg gave up against Minnesota earlier this week. Scheifele was caught for an icing toward the end of a shift with Nikolaj Ehlers and Cole Perfetti, two wingers with matching career 34 percent faceoff win percentages. He didn't have his frequent linemate, team-leading 61.2 percent faceoff man Gabriel Vilardi, to take the draw. If Scheifele had been deferring to Vilardi by way of audition, then this was the moment to step in, win a draw and get the Jets out of trouble. Ehlers lost the draw, Marcus Johansson got a shot on goal, and Jake Middleton beat Scheifele to the rebound.

Recall that Scheifele has taken only 18 faceoffs in his past five games. He has won only seven of them (38.9 percent) despite averaging better than 50 percent throughout a full season. It's also worth noting that he took at least 18 faceoffs in 11 of his first 17 games — this is a highly unusual stretch of play for him.

Scheifele likely won't be lining up at right wing to audition for Team Canada. I don't think the Jets or any NHL club would entertain the idea of a star player playing out of position to better prepare for a midseason tournament. There's a chance he's fighting his way through an upper-body injury with Monday's deadline for Team Canada selection in mind.

### *Candidate No. 3: Adam Lowry*

The best case to make it: Lowry finished seventh in Selke Trophy voting last year, earning league-wide acclaim as one of the NHL's top defensive centres. His shutdown role in Winnipeg is well known around the league, and his results are obvious by eye and analytics alike. The Jets' line of Lowry, Nino Niederreiter and Mason Appleton has outscored its opponents 13-3 this season and 36-18 going back to 2023-24.

He also has a reputation for raising his game in the playoffs.

The best case to miss it: There are two compelling reasons to leave Lowry off Team Canada's roster. The first is that most Canadians remember the inclusion of Rob Zamuner on Team Canada's roster for the 1998 Olympics in Nagano. Team Canada GM Bobby Clarke defended that decision by celebrating Zamuner's (legitimate, real) defensive ability and penalty-killing acumen. In hindsight, it seems like an overreaction to Canada's inability to protect a lead against Team USA in the 1996 World Cup of Hockey.

Zamuner played well in the tournament but became a symbol of Team Canada's mistakes after it failed to medal despite being thought of as a favourite for gold. Kris Draper didn't receive the same kind of criticism when picked as an option for the 2006 team that also failed to medal — Canadian history pins the "don't take a defensive forward" lesson on Zamuner alone — but the outcome was the same. Gold medals won in 2002, 2010 and 2014 are attributed in part to taking the best players available, regardless of role. Even if one can poke holes in that theory — shutdown centreman John Madden won gold with Team Canada at the 2004 World Cup of Hockey — the avoidance of role players appears to be an accepted truism in Canadian hockey.

The second reason for Lowry to be left off the roster is Canada's sheer depth of talent. Star forwards such as Mark Stone, Sam Reinhart and Brayden Point are strong two-way players. Mitch Marner kills penalties. Tampa Bay Lightning head coach Jon Cooper has Anthony Cirelli at his disposal nightly.

Canada has the depth to construct competitive "A" and "B" teams. If Lowry makes it, it will be because Cooper and company skip over a long list of quality players in search of his specific version of tenacious defending.

Honourable mention: Gabriel Vilardi, whose 17 points in 23 games and power-play wizardry might earn him a shot at Canada's aforementioned "B" team.

### **Global Winnipeg**

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#### ***ANALYSIS: Jets can prove they're still elite with win in Vegas***

By John Shannon CJOB

The Jets head into Friday night's game in Vegas bruised from their disappointing loss in Los Angeles — a game that never really was within in reach. After all, how many games can you win with just 14 shots on goal?

Their record, 18 -5, is still the best in the NHL, but there has to be a bit of concern that the team has come back to Earth.

They have now lost four of their last seven, and there are a great many similarities in the four losses. Certainly in three of those games, against the Lightning, Panthers and Kings, Winnipeg had a difficult task managing an aggressive forecheck.

The space all over the ice created by the Jets' speed was thwarted constantly by the opposition's forwards. Certainly, it was stifling and frustrating.

Now the Jets go to the Nevada desert, knowing full well that Vegas will try to mimic that forecheck. Scott Arniel's team has adapted well to adversity through 23 games, but this just might be his team's toughest test. The ability to manage an aggressive forecheck just might determine whether the Jets' great start is real or a mirage.

They need to learn how to manage the lack of time and space on the ice. If not, this record-breaking start might be for naught.

The game with the Golden Knights marks the best in the Central against the best in the Pacific. But in reality, it is more than that. It wasn't that long ago — just 18 months ago — that Vegas embarrassed the Jets in a five-game series, as the Golden Knights embarked on their Stanley Cup winning season.

But in so many ways, it was that series and its learning curve that put the Jets on a path to success. Now the Jets are deeper and faster than the Golden Knights. Maybe, on this Friday night... maybe the Jets will be teaching the lesson, rather than learning one.

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***Corrado shares his biggest surprise and disappointment in the NHL so far this season (VIDEO)***

With the NHL on a brief pause for American Thanksgiving, TSN Hockey analyst Frankie Corrado joins SportsCentre to share his biggest surprise and disappointment in the NHL this season, as well as his picks to win the Stanley Cup and Hart Trophy at season's end.