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THREE THINGS: Ducks steal extra point from Jets Scheifele, Lowry and Iafallo score in 4-3 OT loss to Ducks

By Jamie Thomas

WINNIPEG - The Winnipeg Jets dropped the first game of an eight game homestand 4-3 in overtime to the Anaheim Ducks at Canada Life Centre. Alex Iafallo had a two-point night (1G, 1A) and Mark Scheifele and Adam Lowry had the other goals for Winnipeg whose record fell to 27-11-2. Connor Hellebuyck made 20 saves for the Jets who host Detroit on Saturday.

300 WATCH

Connor Hellebuyck came into the night with a six-game win streak and on a ten-game point streak (9-0-1) and in search of 300 wins. Unfortunately for the Jets and Hellebuyck, Winnipeg made a few mistakes that cost them, and John Gibson made some big saves whenever Anaheim was in trouble. Gibson's best save came in overtime when he made a huge stop on a Nikolaj Ehlers breakaway.

They're a man on man team. So, sometimes I think that ups the zone time," said Josh Morrissey.

"I still thought we were getting pucks to the net and getting some chances. So we did some good things, and obviously a disappointment to give up the second point there."

SOLID OPENING 19 MINUTES

Hellebuyck's teammates wanted to get off to a great start unlike the last time these two teams played in Anaheim in the 3-2 Ducks victory last month. Just 33 seconds into the game, Mark Scheifele opened the scoring after taking a great pass from Kyle Connor and some great work from Gabe Vilardi forcing Radko Gudas into turning the puck over. Scheifele has five goals in his last five games.

Winnipeg made it 2-0 thanks to a brilliant pass from Josh Morrissey to a streaking Alex Iafallo that turned into a two-on-one with Adam Lowry, Iaffalo hit Lowry and the Jets captain gave the Jets a two goal lead at 17:17. Lowry became the sixth different Winnipeg player with a double-digit goal total this season which is tied with Toronto for the third most behind only Washington and Colorado (both w/ 7).

PESKY DUCKS

After Anaheim tied the game at two in the second period, the Jets dominated with long stretches in the offensive zone into the third. Finally, they would beat John Gibson when lafallo beat the Ducks goaltender on the wraparound for his second point of the night.

Anaheim did not go away and tied the game again thanks to Radko Gudas less than a minute later and went on to win in overtime and beat the Jets for the second time this season.

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Terry has 3 points, Ducks rally to defeat Jets in OT for 3rd straight win Scores 2nd goal at 3:34 after Gudas ties it with 1:50 left in 3rd

By Darrin Bauming

WINNIPEG -- Troy Terry scored his second goal of the game 3:34 into overtime, and the Anaheim Ducks rallied for a 4-3 win against the Winnipeg Jets at Canada Life Centre on Thursday.

Terry finished a 2-on-1 to give the Ducks the victory while play continued when the Anaheim net was knocked off its moorings.

"When I saw the puck come out, I obviously got pretty excited because I knew it was going to be an odd-man rush," Terry said of the game-winner. "And then with the net coming off I wasn't positive what the rules were.

"I felt like until I got to the red line, I wasn't sure if they were going to blow it down or not, and then once I kind of got up, I just -- I was looking to get it to Jackson LaCombe. I would have loved to get it over to him, but it worked out."

Terry's second goal came after Radko Gudas tied it 3-3 with a slap shot near the blue line at 18:10 of the third period with Ducks goalie John Gibson pulled for the extra skater.

"We're diggin' and scrapin' and clawin," Anaheim coach Greg Cronin said. "We've have a hard time scoring and I thought tonight was a really good bounce after we get down 2-zip. The good thing is the bench was staying calm and positive.

"We were very fortunate to get the third goal on the pulled goalie there. I don't know how it went in, but I think we just have a really good mentality as a team. We don't get too rattled by what the score is."

Terry and Gudas also each had an assist, and Leo Carlsson scored for the Ducks (16-7-4), who have won three straight and four of six. Gibson made 27 saves.

"I think [Gibson] is extremely underappreciated in the NHL," Terry said. "I think he's genuinely one of the best goalies in this league. And I think for him to miss a lot at the start of the year, be sick coming out of the break, it just seems every time he goes in there he just gives you that sense of calmness and he makes the big saves."

Alex Iafallo had a goal and an assist, and Mark Scheifele and Adam Lowry also scored for the Jets (27-11-2), who have lost two straight after winning four in a row. Connor Hellebuyck made 20 saves, and Josh Morrissey had two assists.

"They're a young group that's got a lot of speed," Winnipeg coach Scott Arniel said. "They transition really well. We watched them do it (in wins) against Edmonton and New Jersey this last week. If you're going to make mistakes, they're going to capitalize. They're a young team

that's added some veterans and they were trying to play a certain way tonight. We fed them with some of the mistakes we made and gave them some opportunities."

Scheifele scored 33 seconds into the first period to give Winnipeg a 1-0 lead. Gabriel Vilardi won a puck battle in the corner and got it to Kyle Connor, whose pass found Scheifele for a quick shot from the slot.

"We came out really well in the first, obviously a great start," Morrissey said. "I thought there were some points in time where we could have managed the puck better at the blue lines. But I thought we actually did a good job of kind of losing momentum, getting it back, and playing a pretty solid third period until giving up that tying goal. Those are some things we can clean up."

lafallo set up Lowry on a 2-on-1 rush to make it 2-0 at 17:17 of the first.

"There's a calmness and a confidence on the bench, you can feel it," Cronin said. "Even when we were down 2-0, there was no panic. Our leadership group -- we've got a bunch of guys who are 30 years and older and bunch of guys who are 23 years old and younger -- and I think the older group has kind of taken ownership of the culture here."

Carlsson cut it to 2-1 at 18:58. His tip of Gudas' point shot bounced off the ice, hit the post, and then off the back of Hellebuyck's leg before trickling across the goal line.

"I thought in the first we were great, and we had all kinds of opportunities," Arniel said. "Then in the second period, through the neutral zone we turned some pucks over and kind of let them get into some rush situations."

Terry tied it 2-2 at 6:52 of the second period with a one-timer from the left face-off dot, beating Hellebuyck five-hole.

"I think that's kind of the maturity of this team, it's just being able to, instead of getting pushed out of the game when it's like that early, just to kind of settle in and be confident, and going down again with [2:44] left or whatever," Terry said. "A big thing we talked about this summer was just how many one-goal losses we had last year.

"So it just feels like there's a bit of a belief in here that even if we go down, we can we can come back and we're kind of not out of any game. It's a big character win for us."

lafallo's wraparound put the Jets ahead 3-2 at 17:16 of the third.

"It was kind of a roller coaster of a game," lafallo said. "I just think we didn't have enough pressure moving forward... We just have to have a strong three periods. It would have been a different game, I think."

NOTES: Anaheim's fourth multi-goal comeback win of the season is tied with the Vegas Golden Knights for the second most in the NHL behind the Seattle Kraken (five). ... Terry has six points (four goals, two assists) on a four-game point streak. ... Gibson assisted on the overtime winner for the goaltender's seventh career point, passing Jean-Sebastien Giguere for sole possession of the second most in Ducks history, behind only Jonas Hiller (eight). ... Carlsson (20 years, 7 days) scored his 20th NHL goal and became the youngest player in Ducks history to reach the mark, besting Mason McTavish (20 years, 257 days on Oct. 14, 2023). ... Ducks forward Frank Vatrano skated in his 600th NHL game. ... Scheifele scored his fourth career goal in the

opening-minute of a game, which is the third most in Jets/Thrashers history behind Nikolaj Ehlers (six) and Bryan Little (five).

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Perfetti, Jets focused on growing 1 game at a time 22-year-old forward playing larger role for Winnipeg, which is 1st in NHL

By Darrin Bauming

WINNIPEG -- The Winnipeg Jets are motivated to not have a repeat of last season, when a strong regular season was followed up by a quick exit from the Stanley Cup Playoffs.

And one player in particular who has been embodying that growth mindset is the Jets' youngest forward, Cole Perfetti.

The 22-year-old has 23 points (seven goals, 16 assists) in 37 games this season while averaging an NHL career-high 14:59 of ice time for the Jets, who are first in the NHL with a 26-10-1 record.

"I feel really good about my game," Perfetti said. "I'm slowly getting a little more ice, a little more trust within the coaching staff and playing in more situations, so that only grows your confidence as well. It's been a great start to the year so far and I think it's only going to get better."

Perfetti, who was selected with the No. 10 pick in the 2020 NHL Draft, saw similar production last season, his third in the NHL, when he set career highs in goals (19) and points (38) in 71 games.

Despite that, Perfetti found himself a healthy scratch for a number of games down the stretch for the Jets, who finished the regular season with the fourth-best record in the NHL (52-24-6). He then played in only one playoff game against the Colorado Avalanche, who eliminated Winnipeg in five games in the Western Conference First Round.

"You're not playing your best, you're not setting your linemates up for success, you're not doing all that kind of stuff that's going to help," Perfetti said. "Last year I still found myself deferring to the older guys and maybe not trying something that I would try because I wanted to make sure I could get the puck to someone else and then they could make a play.

"This year I feel like it's almost been a little bit more like, I have that confidence and I do belong here. I can make these plays. And subconsciously you just start making them and you don't even think about it, and then your game takes off to another level. I feel myself getting a little bit more confidence each game, each day, and it's slowly getting better."

One reason for that could be the decision by Scott Arniel, who replaced Rick Bowness as coach on May 24, to move Perfetti from center to wing, which has provided him with the opportunity to play consistently alongside veterans Nikolaj Ehlers and Vladislav Namestnikov.

"I believe in linemates sticking together," Arniel said. "But I remember at the start of the year ... that line was having a tough time getting going, but they all found their way and then they became very dangerous for us."

Along with forwards Kyle Connor (22 goals, 27 assists) and Mark Scheifele (22 goals, 22 assists), who are each tied for fifth in the NHL in goals, the trio of Perfetti, Ehlers (11 goals, 19 assists) and Namestnikov (nine goals, 10 assists) have helped Winnipeg rank first in the NHL in goals (137) and on the power play (32.2 percent).

"Cole's really matured as a player, you know?" Arniel said. "He's getting quality looks on the power play (second unit), he had to step in when Ehlers was hurt and did a fantastic job with that first unit. He's just a player that's a young player still to me, that is continually getting better. And I talked about it in the summer, consistency. Consistency shift to shift, game to game, and that's what we're getting from him."

Now, the Jets hope Perfetti's game is just one part of a greater level of consistency for the team as a whole, especially come April.

"We obviously know how the playoffs have gone the last couple of years and the first-round exits," Perfetti said. "... I think last year and a year before we were on fire at the start, and come playoff time we just didn't have that little bit (more). So, I think we're just trying to instill that playoff mentality, the principles and all the little things that go into being a successful playoff team. I think we're trying to instill that now from game one so that when it does come, Game 1 of the playoffs, it's not like we're trying to change our style or play a new game, it's just the same way we've been playing all year. And when we're on, everyone can see how we play. When we're connected as a team, we're playing hard (and) we're hard to play against. I mean, we're not giving anyone any kind of space, and I think that's how you have to play in the playoffs. We're slowly preparing for that, and every game is just another step in the right direction for, come April, come playoff time."

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Sloppy play costly for Jets Ducks capitalize on mistakes, Terry snipe wins it in OT

By: Mike McIntyre

File this one under the category of "missed opportunities."

The Winnipeg Jets were far from their best on Thursday night at Canada Life Centre but still looked poised to grab a couple points from an Anaheim Ducks team that is in the early stages of rebuilding.

However, some sloppy breakdowns proved costly as the Jets surrendered the game-tying goal with just under two minutes left in regulation, then allowed the Ducks a two-on-one break in overtime which led to Troy Terry's snipe to give the visitors a 4-3 triumph.

Not exactly a banner way to kick off 2025 and an eight-game homestand — especially with goaltender Connor Hellebuyck on the cusp of a major milestone that will now have to wait for at least one more game.

"A little bit of the mental side of things," is where head coach Scott Arniel pointed the post-game finger of blame.

"With four (games) in six (days), I'm not using that as an excuse but when you start seeing those kinds of mistakes, it has to drop into there somehow."

Winnipeg — which was coming off a New Year's Eve loss in Colorado which snapped a fourgame winning streak — falls to 27-11-2 on the year. Anaheim improves to 16-17-4.

Let's break this one down a bit further.

HOT START

Winnipeg wanted to get this prolonged stretch of home hockey off on the right foot, and that certainly was the case as the top line of Mark Scheifele, Kyle Connor and Gabe Vilardi took all of 33 seconds to open the scoring.

Vilardi, as he often does, won a puck battle in the offensive zone, then got it to Connor who patiently waited to find a wide open Scheifele who slid home his team-leading 23rd of the year.

Adam Lowry then doubled the lead with just under three minutes left in the opening frame as Alex Iafallo made a great pass on a two-on-one rush which ended with the captain's 10th of the year.

Lowry is already the sixth skater to hit double-digits, joining Scheifele, Connor, Vilardi, Nikolaj Ehlers and and Nino Niederreiter.

"We came out really well in the first, obviously a great start," said defenceman Josh Morrissey, who had two assists in the game.

Given a 21-point difference in the standings to start the game, it looked like this could be an easy night at the office for the Jets. But the Ducks are a pesky bunch who were coming off consecutive wins over the Edmonton Oilers and New Jersey Devils and ultimately battled back to win a third straight outing against a quality opponent.

They play hard, finish every check and are now 2-0 against the Jets this season, with one final meeting set for Apr. 16.

"They're a young group that's got a lot of speed. They transition really well," said Arniel.

"If you're going to make mistakes, they're going to capitalize. They're a young team that's added some veterans and they're trying to play a certain way and tonight, we fed them with some of the mistakes we made and gave them some opportunities."

HISTORY ON HOLD

Hellebuyck began the night needing a win to become just the 30th masked man in NHL history with at least 300 victories and 40 shutouts.

His final stat line — four goals on 24 shots — tells the story. The reigning Vezina Trophy winner seemed to be fighting the puck for much of the outing, starting with the first period when he was caught out of position but made a pair of sliding stops against Anaheim's Ross Johnston and then Mason McTavish.

Sophomore phenom Leo Carlsson got the Ducks on the board with 62 seconds left in the first period as he tipped a Radko Gudas point shot off the post, then off the back of Hellebuyck's legs and across the goal line.

Terry then tied it up at 6:52 of the middle frame when he one-timed a Ryan Strome pass through the five-hole of Hellebuyck, who seemed to be caught by surprise.

Hellebuyck probably wasn't a big fan of the third or fourth goals, either. After lafallo had given the Jets a 3-2 lead with a nifty wraparound at 17:16 of the third period, Gudas tied the game 54 seconds later as his point shot found an opening.

Then, in the three-on-three overtime session, Terry came down on a two-on-one rush and beat Hellebuyck clean with a wrister.

"I just think we didn't have enough pressure moving forward," lafallo said of what went wrong. "It was kind of a roller coaster of a game. At that point we just have to grind it out, get pucks deep and keep pressuring them."

Plenty of fans were up in arms, believing officials should have blown the play dead after Lowry took out the Anaheim net a few seconds earlier on an offensive chance. But since the Ducks had the puck, play was allowed to continue. The whistle would have gone if Winnipeg regained possession, but they did not.

The winner came shortly after Ehlers was stopped by veteran Ducks goalie John Gibson on a breakaway.

HOME COOKING

These next few weeks represent a big chance for a Jets team that is already in great shape. With the next seven all in their own backyard and now a 14-3-2 record so far this year at Canada Life Centre, Winnipeg can really create a cushion in the standings.

Just don't tell any of the players that.

"I think it's important that you don't get too far ahead of yourself," Lowry said following the morning skate.

Arniel had a similar response when asked if there's a danger in straying from the "one game at a time" mindset.

"That's why we don't talk about it," he said. "This group has done a fantastic job, whether it's a win or a loss, to move onto the next game. Just because of the schedule itself and it's no different right now."

Thursday's game was another sellout of 15,225, making it two in a row, three in the past four games and seven overall. That's a promising development for a team that didn't get its first until after Christmas last year (but ended up with 10).

With all this home cooking now on the horizon and the holidays now in the rear-view mirror, we'll see if attendance continues to surge.

KEY PLAY: Troy Terry's overtime snipe was the difference.

THREE STARS: 1. Anaheim RW Troy Terry: 2 goals. 2. Winnipeg RW Alex Iafallo: 1 goal, 1 assist.

3. Anaheim G John Gibson: 27 saves.

EXTRA, EXTRA: The Jets made one lineup change with defenceman Ville Heinola – a healthy scratch for the past two games – replacing Dylan Coghlan on the third pairing beside Colin Miller.

Injured defenceman Dylan Samberg participated in morning skate in a yellow non-contact jersey and was moving around well as he works his way back from a broken foot suffered in November.

Samberg "has some work to do" in terms of conditioning and isn't ready to take on any live fire during practice, but Arniel admitted his return is now "on the horizon." It should happen at some point during this homestand, perhaps as early as next week.

The Jets will practice on Friday and get ready to host the Detroit Red Wings on Saturday night.

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Trouba settling in with Ducks

By: Ken Wiebe

When you consider what he's been through during the past several months, you can understand why Jacob Trouba didn't want to delve too deeply into the details of getting traded from the New York Rangers to the Anaheim Ducks.

The former Winnipeg Jets defenceman found himself in the middle of a firestorm last month as things were falling off the rails with the Rangers, which led to him being shipped to the Ducks.

This wasn't an everyday, ordinary move either.

Given the modified no-trade clause in his contract, Trouba, who was captain of the Blueshirts, had to consider several options while running the risk of being placed on waivers and losing control of the situation.

"It was different. Obviously it happened very fast," said Trouba, who is in Winnipeg to face the Jets on Thursday. "There were a lot of teams I didn't really know, it just kind of came out of nowhere. So it was kind of a scramble and it wasn't really like (he got to) weigh every single option as much as you can.

"It was kind of (trying to) find something that worked. Obviously, this was a good situation for me to come into, so I'm excited to join this group."

Trouba knows the business side of hockey brings its own challenges, so he casually brushed aside a question asking how difficult that was for him to deal with.

"Not crazy hard. I just understood the whole thing and it is what it is. That's pro sports," said Trouba. "I'm not going to sulk and cry about it. I'm happy to be here. Any day kind of in this league to be around a group like this and play hockey is pretty cool. So I'm not too, life goes on."

Trouba was reflective when asked about his time with the Rangers on Thursday.

"I haven't taken the time to look back too far. It's kind of a quick switch and focus on new things," said Trouba, who was dealt to the Rangers by the Jets in the summer of 2019 for Neal Pionk and a first-round pick that turned into Ville Heinola.

"But I mean, it was an awesome five years, obviously accomplished some things, didn't accomplish everything. How it went down leaving, it is what it is. I've kind of moved past it. I'll deal with it later, if there's anything to deal with. I'm happy to be here."

The situation couldn't be much more different, with Trouba leaving a Rangers team that made it to the Eastern Conference final last spring and had legitimate Stanley Cup aspirations despite a tough start for a Ducks team in the middle of a rebuild.

"Yeah, it's different stages of the organization, I would say," said Trouba. "Obviously, New York was obviously trying to win and we were competing the last couple of years. Here's it's a younger team, kind of the situation I came into originally in New York. With some younger guys kind of building towards being really a better team that can contend to win every year. That's obviously the path we want to be on."

Thursday is Trouba's 12th game since joining the Ducks and he seems to be settling in.

"I'm getting more comfortable around the group," said Trouba. "Obviously it takes more than a couple of days to kind of get fully settled in."

This was an unexpected development in Trouba's career. He started out with the Jets, who chose him ninth overall in the 2012 NHL Draft, an Original Six franchise in the Rangers and now the Ducks, who brought a Stanley Cup to southern California in 2007.

"I've seen a lot of different markets," said Trouba. "Obviously very different. But I don't know, checking out everything. Everything North America's got to offer, I guess."

Trouba's wife Kelly — who is finishing up her medical residency in June — and son remain in New York, at least for the time being, which is part of the challenge of adjusting.

"Obviously it was tough. But I think we've got a pretty good road map forward I think, with me and the family," said Trouba. "Got home for Christmas. Not seeing (my son) is probably the hardest part, obviously. But we'll do a good enough job at least trying to see him every couple of weeks."

For those wondering, Trouba doesn't find himself having to bite his tongue now that he's not wearing a letter with his new team.

"No, I don't think it really works too much like that," said Trouba. "Obviously, you're a little more reserved. You've got to learn the players. Obviously they've got to trust you and that comes with

time. You're not walking in a leader. You can be yourself and always carry yourself how you carry yourself. It obviously takes some time to build the relationships that come with leadership."

Ducks head coach Greg Cronin has been impressed by what Trouba has brought to the table — and he's not just talking about his physical play either, though that ability to throw crushing open ice hits has also been apparent.

"Obviously he's got a violent image," said Cronin.

"He's always shown on the highlights blowing people up on hits. And we've seen a little bit of that. But what has surprised me is he's actually really efficient with the puck. He moves the puck well. He's got a pretty good offensive IQ on the ice, which you don't really connect with a guy that's a physical defender."

When you have a defensive corps that includes Trouba and Ducks captain Radko Gudas, it's easy to understand that an important part of their jobs is to play a mentorship role, showing the ropes to a group of youngsters how to be a good professional.

"It's not always a straight path, obviously," said Trouba. "Just try to help as much as I can. Don't push myself on anyone, I guess, but know that I'm a resource if anybody has questions or wants to talk, hopefully they know that I'm obviously open to that and want to help out wherever I can."

As for the opportunity to return to where it all began, Trouba enjoys playing in Winnipeg, though it doesn't bring up the same emotions as it once did.

"Yeah, it does seem like a long time ago now. Obviously good to see some old buddies," said Trouba, who connected with Mark Scheifele, Josh Morrissey and Adam Lowry on Wednesday. "It's not that it's lost its lustre, it's just that as time has gone by, it's kind of developed as it has. Two teams later, it's not as much of a thing."

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Jets blow leads, drop overtime decision to Ducks

By Paul Friesen

The Winnipeg Jets coughed up two leads against the Anaheim Ducks on Thursday and choked away one of the first two points of their home stand in the process.

Frittering away a 2-0 first-period advantage was the Jets' first mistake, allowing the Ducks to score with less than two minutes to go their second.

And when Anaheim's Troy Terry scored his second of the game 3:34 into overtime, they'd made their last in a 4-3 loss.

"Our second period was probably our worst period," head coach Scott Arniel said. "In the first, we were great and we had all kinds of opportunities, got the lead, and then in the second period,

through the neutral zone, we turned some pucks over and let them get into some rush situations.

"And in the third, we went out and dominated. We got the lead again late and gave up that (tying goal)."

Playing their first of eight straight on home ice, it seemed the Jets would escape with the two points when Alex lafallo broke a 2-2 tied on a wraparound with 2:44 left.

That's when they quacked.

Less than a minute later and with the Anaheim net empty, the Jets turned the puck over in their own end.

Ducks defenceman Radko Gudas scored his first of the year from the point – ex-Jet Jacob Trouba provided the screen – sending the game into extra time.

"A little bit of the mental side of things," Arniel said, suggesting fatigue was a factor. "With four (games) in six (days), I'm not using that as an excuse but when you start seeing those kinds of mistakes, it has to drop into there somehow."

Nik Ehlers was credited with the late giveaway. He also had a breakaway chance in overtime, but was turned aside by John Gibson.

When Connor Hellebuyck couldn't stop Terry on a Ducks two-on-one, his bid for a 300th career victory was dashed for at least one more night.

Seconds before the winning Anaheim rush, Winnipeg's Adam Lowry had crashed into the Ducks' goal, sending it off its moorings. But play continued.

"Unless I hear the whistle, just keep playing," Jets defenceman Josh Morrissey said.

While the fans booed, Arniel wasn't complaining, either.

"That's the league rule... if the attacking team knocks the net off, the team defending has a chance to take off and go," the coach said.

In the first period it looked like the Jets might run away with it, the top threesome in the NHL striking just 33 seconds in.

Gabe Vilardi's steal and a no-look pass from Kyle Connor produced Mark Scheifele's teamleading 23rd of the year.

On a late-period rush, Lowry notched his 10th, converting a pass from lafallo for a two-goal Winnipeg lead.

With barely a minute left in the first, Anaheim's Leo Carlsson gave his team some life, scoring on a nice deflection that hit the post, bounced off the back of Hellebuyck and in.

The Ducks tied it – and removed all talk of a cakewalk – when Terry's quick one-timer got between a sliding Hellebuyck's legs seven minutes into the second.

Not even two chances for the NHL's No. 1 power play were enough to regain the lead for the Jets in the middle 20.

"We did a lot of good things at points in the game and gave them momentum at other points," Morrissey said. "We did a decent job of generating zone time. Just disappointed that we gave up the second point."

Morrissey picked up two assists.

Final shots were 30-24 for Winnipeg. The Jets had the game's only two power plays.

Up next, Game 2 of the home stand on Saturday against Detroit.

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No regrets for Ducks' Jacob Trouba after messy split from New York

By Paul Friesen

For Jacob Trouba, there's nothing particularly special about playing in Winnipeg anymore.

After all, the former Jets defenceman has lived a hockey lifetime since he left as a blossoming 24-year-old: signing a lucrative contract in New York, becoming a captain, leading the Rangers to a President's Trophy as the top regular-season team and to a conference final, before it all ended in a messy divorce with the team last month.

"Yeah, it does seem like a long time ago now," Trouba was saying before his Anaheim Ducks took on the Jets, Thursday. "Two teams later, it's not as much of a thing."

Safe to say Trouba isn't as big a thing, either.

When the Jets traded him to New York five-plus years ago, they got a first-round draft pick and defenceman Neal Pionk in return.

All the Rangers could get was a fourth-rounder and Urho Vaakanainen, a defenceman with one career NHL goal.

Of course, they also unloaded the eight million bucks they would have had to pay Trouba for one more season, a deal he signed soon after the Rangers acquired him.

It was an untidy and drawn-out parting of ways, New York making it clear as far back as the summer they wanted to get rid of their captain.

The 30-year-old exercised the no-move clause in his contract to stay put, even if it meant the 'C' on his sweater was very publicly becoming tattered.

Finally threatened with being put on waivers and his team in disarray, he agreed to go to Anaheim, calling it "a right of passage" to get fired by the Rangers – he's the third straight captain to be shipped out.

Some four weeks later, he wasn't really in the mood to revisit the mess.

"How it went down leaving... I'll deal with it later. If there's anything to deal with it," he said. "Obviously it was tough. But we've got a pretty good road map forward, with me and the family."

Trouba had made no bones about putting his wife and son ahead of his career last summer, just like he made it clear he wanted out of Winnipeg to better support his wife's work in the field of medicine.

Asked on Thursday if he'd do anything differently given the chance, he didn't hesitate.

"No. Not one thing."

While his role in New York declined even as he continued to wear the 'C,' it changes again with a rebuilding team in Anaheim.

"You're a little more reserved," he said. "I don't have the relationships, and that's obviously a big part of leadership, is building relationships with guys. Obviously they've got to trust you and that comes with time."

His head coach has been surprised with how low-key Trouba has been, given the perception of him from afar.

"Obviously he's got a violent image," Ducks boss Greg Cronin said. "He's always shown on the highlights blowing people up on hits. And we've seen a little bit of that. But what has surprised me is he's actually really efficient with the puck. He's got pretty good offensive IQ on the ice, which you don't really connect with a guy that's a physical defender.

"He's a quiet man. He carries a big stick."

He also carries a resume that runs the gamut, from the NHL's smallest city to its largest to one of its sunniest, a not-so-smooth line from the Great White North to the east and west coasts of America.

"Obviously very different," Trouba said. "Checking out everything. Everything North America's got to offer, I guess. That's pro sports. I'm not going to sulk and cry about it. Any day in this league to be around a group like this and play hockey is pretty cool. Life goes on."

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Terry scores two, Anaheim Ducks edge Winnipeg Jets in overtime

By Canadian Press

WINNIPEG – Troy Terry scored his second goal of the game at 3:34 of overtime to give the Anaheim Ducks a 4-3 victory over the Jets on Thursday night.

Terry added an assist for a three-point night, while Radko Gudas and Leo Carlsson also scored for Anaheim.

Alex Iafallo, Adam Lowry and Mark Scheifele scored for the Jets (27-11-2), who lost their second straight game.

John Gibson stopped 27 shots for Anaheim (16-17-4) and Winnipeg's Connor Hellebuyck made 20 saves before a sellout crowd of 15,225 at Canada Life Centre.

Gudas forced overtime when his screened shot from the point beat Hellebuyck with 1:10 left in regulation and the goalie pulled.

lafallo gave Winnipeg a 3-2 lead with a wraparound with 2:44 left in the third.

Terry knotted the score at 2-2 when he beat Hellebuyck from a bad angle after a pass from Ryan Strome early in the second period.

Carlsson got Anaheim on the board when he deflected a shot past Hellebuyck with 1:02 left in the first period. Gudas shot from the point and Carlsson deflected it in behind Hellebuyck's back.

Lowry put the Jets up 2-0 late in the first when he converted a 2-on-1 with lafallo. lafallo saucered a pass to a racing Lowry, who then wristed a shot past Gibson.

Scheifele opened the scoring just 33 seconds into the game. He pounced on a backhand pass from Kyle Connor in front and potted it into the open net. Gabe Vilardi, who stole the puck along the boards and passed to Connor, got the second assist to extend his point streak to five games.

Takeaways

Jets: Jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, only to watch it disappear early in the second period. They then let the Ducks force overtime late in the game.

Ducks: After allowing the first goal just 33 seconds into the game, they hung tough enough to tie the game at 2-2 in the middle frame, then rebounded from a late 3-2 deficit.

Key moment

After lafallo gave the Jets a 3-2 lead with 2:44 left, Gudas knotted the score at 3-3 with a screened shot from the point, forcing overtime.

Key stat

The Ducks stymied Winnipeg's vaunted power play, albeit on only two opportunities.

Up next

The Jets continue an eight-game homestand Saturday when they host the Detroit Red Wings. The Ducks will play the Oilers in Edmonton on Friday.

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Terry's OT winner propels Ducks past Winnipeg Jets 4-3

By Christian Aumell Global News

Connor Hellebuyck is going to have to wait to pick up his milestone 300th career victory.

Troy Terry scored his second of the night in overtime as the Ducks took down the Jets 4-3 for their first win in Winnipeg since Jan. 23, 2017.

The Jets' top line wasted no time in putting up some run support for their star goalie, lighting the lamp just 33 seconds into the game.

Gabriel Vilardi won a puck battle in the corner, taking it away from Radko Gudas before sending it in front to Kyle Connor. He took the puck around the crease, drawing the attention of John Gibson before sliding it back in front to Mark Scheifele for a tap-in.

It stayed 1-0 for most of the period before Winnipeg's captain doubled their lead. Alex lafallo collected the puck in the neutral zone and carried it into Anaheim's end before sending a perfect saucer pass to a streaking Adam Lowry, who chipped it over Gibson to make it 2-0 with 2:43 left in the first.

Anaheim did not go quietly into the intermission, however, getting on the board with 1:02 left. A point shot from Gudas was tipped en route to the net by Leo Carlsson, causing the shot to bounce into the post, off Hellebuyck and into the net.

The Ducks outshot the Jets 10-7 in the first 20 minutes and would draw level 6:52 into the second.

Ryan Strome emerged from a board battle with the puck and skated towards the slot in Winnipeg's end before feeding Troy Terry by the left faceoff dot. His one-timer slid through the five-hole of Hellebuyck as he tried to slide into position to stop the shot, tying the game 2-2.

Winnipeg earned the game's first power play with 8:06 to go in the second when Strome was called for tripping Scheifele near the Anaheim net but the Jets couldn't cash in.

With 2:32 left, Strome was again penalized, this time for cross-checking Scheifele when he had a good scoring chance in front of the net but once again, Winnipeg's top-ranked power play could not get the job done as the game remained tied 2-2 after 40 minutes.

The Jets outshot the Ducks 12-4 in the second but couldn't find the back of the net.

The deadlock remained deep into the third before the Jets jumped back in front with 2:44 remaining. After an extended shift in the offensive end, lafallo located the loose puck at one side of the net, drove behind the net and beat Gibson with a wraparound to make it 3-2.

The lead didn't last long.

Moments after Anaheim pulled the goalie for an extra attacker, Gudas blasted a shot from the point that found its way past a screened Hellebuyck to make it 3-3 with 1:50 to go, sending the game to overtime.

Nikolaj Ehlers had a great chance to end the game when he picked off a pass near the Anaheim blueline but he was denied on the breakaway by Gibson.

That proved to be a big stop because not long after, the Ducks were able to end it themselves.

The play began in the Anaheim end when Cole Perfetti drove the net and stumbled into it, knocking it off its moorings but the Ducks got possession of the puck, meaning play would continue until Winnipeg touched it.

Terry skated the puck up the left side on an lengthy 2-on-1 with Jackson Lacombe, holding the puck as he drifted into the Winnipeg end. As he made it to the faceoff dot to Hellebuyck's right, Terry ripped a wrister past the Jets' netminder to seal the win. Gibson picked up his seventh career assist on the game winner.

The loss snapped a six-start win streak for Hellebuyck, though with the single point the Jets are now 9-0-2 in his last 11 starts dating back to a Dec. 3 loss to the Blues. It's also the first time since a 5-0 loss in Florida Nov. 16 that Hellebuyck allowed more than three goals.

The Jets will look to get back in the win column Saturday when they host the Detroit Red Wings. Action begins just after 6 p.m. with pregame coverage on 680 CJOB beginning at 4 p.m.

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Jets start strong, but Ducks hang around to steal one in OT (VIDEO)

TSN's Kevin Sawyer and Dan Robertson break down how the Jets started strong, but the Ducks hung around to steal one in overtime.