

# POSTGAME QUOTES

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**Dallas Stars 0, Winnipeg Jets 3**  
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## DALLAS STARS

### **Stars Head Coach Pete DeBoer**

#### *On tonight's game*

"Against that team, you want to play up front. You want to get the first goal, and then they have to open it up a little bit. That was key. Credit to them, they defended hard. They were the more desperate team. We didn't give them a lot either, but you have to score in this league to win, and it was one of the few nights we didn't do enough to score."

#### *On the Winnipeg goals*

"Two pucks toward the net that ended up in a little bit of chaos in front. They both kind of ended up on their sticks at the right moment. I didn't think Jake [Oettinger] could have done anything on either of them. That's playoff hockey – you've got to get pucks and bodies to the net. We've been pretty good at that all year, but I didn't think we did enough of that tonight."

### **Stars Captain Jamie Benn**

#### *On tonight's game*

"They played a solid game. They're a good team. They broke the puck out well, and that makes a big difference in a hockey game."

#### *On allowing the first goal against a team that has played well with the lead*

"They showed it tonight. They're a good team. They've got a lot to fight for right now, as do we. Unfortunately, we couldn't get it done."

### **Stars Forward Tyler Seguin**

#### *On matching up against former head coach Rick Bowness*

"I recognize a lot of the system for sure. They're a disciplined team, their F3 was always above. Their defense played well and in your face. We know the style and couldn't crack it tonight."

#### *On the Jets scoring first*

"When they can score first or two, they can really get in that system. When we get up on them, they can't really play it. If we see them again, that will be the message."

## WINNIPEG JETS

### **Jets Head Coach Rick Bowness**

#### *On tonight's performance*

"That's the way we want to play the game. That teams a good hockey team over there. We knew we needed to bring our A-game out there every shift, and we did. That's the way we want to play."

#### *On Nikolaj Ehlers' goal after reduced ice time*

"He wasn't happy with his game, and we had a good talk this morning. He was good on both ends of the ice. You saw that backcheck in the second period, and that's just as impressive as the goal. He had a really solid game on both ends of the ice. "

### **Jets Forward Nikolaj Ehlers**

#### *On what impressed him most from his team in tonight's win*

"The pressure game that we got back to. Getting pucks deep. All the old hockey clichés, but getting pucks deep and working on their defensemen, creating turnovers and getting some O-zone time from that. It was something that we were really good at earlier in the season, and today we got back to that and played it simple most of the times. There

are still some things we need to clean up, but overall, we had good stands at our blue line, and our defensemen had great gaps. We were able to come back and turn the puck over. Most of that game today was how we want to play.”

*On getting a win against Dallas*

“It was huge. They are in first right now for a reason. They have an incredible team, and for us to go out and play the way we did tonight against a great team like that shows what we can do if we play the right way. We just have to buy in.”

**Jets Goaltender Laurent Brossoit**

*On his favorite moment from the game*

“Their consistency throughout the game and our defensive structure was great. We know that they are dangerous off the rush, and it seemed that we took that away for the most part. In the defensive zone, we did not give them much, and in the rebounds they gave up, our guys were the first to the puck. It was consistent all 60 minutes.”

*On the importance of beating Dallas*

“To me it doesn’t really matter what the record is beforehand, it’s just about building our game regardless of who’s on the other side – building our structure and getting our playoff game going.”