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***THREE THINGS - Scheifele scores twice, leads Jets past Kings
Scheifele has five points (2G, 3A) in the Jets first two games of the season***

By Jamie Thomas

WINNIPEG – Mark Scheifele scored the game tying and game winning goals to lead the Winnipeg Jets to a 3-2 win over the Los Angeles Kings at Canada Life Centre. Alex Iafallo had the other goal for Winnipeg who also got 30 saves from Connor Hellebuyck in the win. Gabe Vilardi had two assists, the Jets will head south of the border tomorrow and prepare for another matinee game. Monday, they will face the New York Islanders.

SCHEIFELE DIALED IN

Scheifele had a three-assist game on Thursday and scored his first two goals of the season on Saturday afternoon. With the Jets down 2-1 in the second period and just about to kill off a penalty, Morgan Barron outmuscled Quinton Byfield for the puck in the Jets zone and hit Scheifele with a pass in the neutral zone. Scheifele did the rest sliding a backhand that went off Mikey Anderson and through Darcy Kuemper.

The game winning goal was fantastic with Josh Morrissey wristing a shot toward the net and Scheifele with perfect timing and hand-eye coordination redirected the winner past Kuemper. It was his 60th career GWG, tying Kyle Connor for the team lead.

"It was a good o-zone shift, I think, the defence included," said Scheifele.

"We all supported the puck well, guys in the right spot. Obviously, JMo made a good shot. Just a good o-zone shift."

ROLLER COASTER

The Jets dominated the majority of the first period and at one point were outshooting the Kings 14-2. The power play got them the lead when Alex Iafallo took a pass from Gabirel Vilardi and went top shelf on Kuemper for the first power play goal of the season.

LA started to fight back with about five minutes left in the opening frame, getting the last seven shots of the period. The Kings tied the game at 0:50 thanks to Anderson and took the lead for the first time at 9:12 with Adrian Kempe scoring his first goal of the season.

We were real good in the first, they were a lot better in the second," said Scott Arniel.

"The third period was one of our best periods, where it was really a lot of commitment to playing how we need to play all the time."

DOWN TO FIVE D (AGAIN)

The Jets have not had a lot of luck when it comes to playing an entire game with six defencemen through training camp and now into the regular season. They have been down to five D in two preseason games and today, Haydn Fleury blocked a shot and had to leave the game. Scott Arniel said that Fleury got hit in the side of the knee cap and they will have to wait to see how he feels when Fleury wakes up tomorrow. That being said, the Jets remaining

defence of Morrissey, Dylan DeMelo, Luke Schenn, Neal Pionk and Logan Stanley all were solid and Stanley had some key blocks in the games final two minutes.

"LA's a big team, heavy on the forecheck. Big about them trying to get to the net from. We put a lot of emphasis on trying to get sticks, one they got obviously, but at the end of the day it was about using our size and that's where Stan comes in," said Arniel.

"He had to run into a few of those guys, so. Him and Luke, tip your hat to them. Those type of games, you need their size."

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Scheifele scores twice, Jets defeat Kings for 1st win Breaks tie in 3rd period; Kempe gets 2 points for Los Angeles

By Darrin Bauming

WINNIPEG -- Mark Scheifele scored twice and the Winnipeg Jets rallied for a 3-2 win against the Los Angeles Kings at Canada Life Centre on Saturday.

After tying the game late in the second period, Scheifele scored the go-ahead goal at 11:47 of the third, redirecting a point shot by Josh Morrissey to make it 3-2.

"He's our leader," Winnipeg coach Scott Arniel said. "He's one of our leaders and he's having to do a little bit more with [Jets captain Adam Lowry] being out, with the leadership in our room. His play on the ice has been really good. He's certainly driving some offense there... it comes down to a moment, and [Scheifele's] tip was that moment."

Alex Iafallo scored, and Connor Hellebuyck made 30 saves for the Jets (1-1-0). Gabriel Vilardi had two assists.

"We weren't happy with the last game (5-4 loss to the Dallas Stars on Thursday)," Scheifele said. "We know L.A. is a tough team. They make it a hard day all around. We knew we had to come out strong and we were happy with the way we started. We kind of had a little lull, but kudos to the boys for sticking with it."

Adrian Kempe had a goal and an assist, and Mikey Anderson scored for the Kings (1-2-0). Darcy Kuemper made 24 saves.

"They're really good team," Kempe said. "Their power play is one of the best in the league; they were last year. Other than that, they're tight games as they always (are) against Winnipeg. They're a good team, they play fast. They have some really highly dangerous guys up front and on the back end, and like I said, I think it came down to really small details today. And it usually does. Obviously not in our favor today."

Iafallo gave the Jets a 1-0 lead at 4:48 of the first period with a power-play goal when Kyle Connor found him alone in the low slot and he lifted the puck over Kuemper's blocker.

"We could have even had more looks; it easily could have been a 3-0 game early," Scheifele said. "Kuemper made some really big saves. That looked a lot better, especially against a good killing team and some good players over there, a good goalie. We just need to keep that up."

Anderson's point shot through traffic beat a screened Hellebuyck to tie it 1-1 50 seconds into the second period.

"They're a big, heavy team and we knew that," Arniel said of the Kings. "We were real good in the first, they were a lot better in the second. The third period was one of our best periods, where it was really a lot of commitment to playing how we need to play all the time."

Kempe made it 2-1 at 9:12, converting in front on a quick passing play from Andrei Kuzmenko and Anze Kopitar.

"The second period I thought we took a step in the right direction," Kempe said. "I thought we were the better team in the second period. In the third period, a little back-and-forth. We still did some good things but overall, I think a pretty even game. It usually is how it goes in here (Winnipeg). A one-goal difference is always tough. ... This one stings, for sure."

Scheifele tied it 2-2 at 18:57 after a turnover. Morgan Barron stole the puck from Quinton Byfield inside the Jets zone to create an odd-man rush, and Scheifele's attempt on a net drive redirected off Anderson and past Kuemper.

"[Barron] was in a good spot, kind of forcing that guy in the middle to be in a tough spot," Scheifele said. "Obviously, we kind of got a lucky bounce. Good play by 'Bear' there. I was the lucky one to get lucky."

NOTES: Scheifele's 60th career game-winning goal tied Connor for the most in Jets/Atlanta Thrashers history. ... Kempe scored his 195th goal, moving past Jeff Carter and Mike Murphy for sole possession of the 10th in Kings history. ... The Kings were the only team the Jets did not defeat last season (0-2-1). ... Winnipeg defenseman Haydn Fleury blocked a shot late in the second period and did not return. "He's pretty sore," Arniel said. "It caught him on the side of the knee cap. He'll wake up [Sunday] and we'll see how he is."

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Mark Scheifele Scores Tying, Winning Goals as Jets Beat Kings 3-2

By Jim Bender, The Canadian Press

Mark Scheifele scored his second goal of the game midway through the third period to give the Winnipeg Jets a hard-fought 3-2 victory over the Los Angeles Kings on Saturday afternoon.

Alex Iafallo also scored for Winnipeg.

Adrian Kempke and Mikey Anderson replied for L.A.

Connor Hellebuyck made 29 saves for Winnipeg, while Darcy Kuemper stopped 25 shots for Los Angeles.

Scheifele picked a Josh Morrissey pass out of the air and deflected it past Kuemper to give Winnipeg a 3-2 lead midway through the third period.

Scheifele tied the score 2-2 with 1:03 left in the second. In the tail end of killing a penalty, Morgan Barron stole the puck and fed Scheifele, who raced down the ice and his backhand deflected off Anderson past Kuemper.

The Kings took a 2-1 lead midway through the middle frame. Kempke finished off a pretty three-way passing play with Anze Kopitar and Andrei Kuzmenko at the 9:12 mark.

Anderson knotted the score at 1-1 just 50 seconds into the second period. His screened shot from the point got by Hellebuyck. Drew Doughty and Kempke assisted.

Winnipeg had taken a 1-0 lead into the second period.

Iafallo opened the scoring on the power play early in the first period when he was set up by Kyle Connor alone in front of the net. Gabriel Vilardi also assisted.

Takeaways

Jets: They dominated play in the first period, outshooting L.A. 14-8 and scoring the only goal. After struggling through most of the second, they came back to life in the third.

Kings: After an incredibly slow start, they dominated Winnipeg in the second period, outscoring the Jets 2-1. But they were on the heels in the third, surrendering Winnipeg's winning goal.

Key moment

Scheifele tied the score 2-2 just after killing off a penalty late in the second period to revive the struggling Jets. His backhand got banked in past Kuemper off a defenceman.

Key stat

Hellebuyck made a number of brilliant saves, especially late, to hold off the Kings.

Up next

The Jets will face the Islanders in New York on Monday.

The Kings will play the Wild in Minnesota on Monday

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***Inside job: Late tip from Scheifele gives Jets first win
Winnipeg locked it down while short-handed in game's final moment***

By: Ken Wiebe

Mark Scheifele went to the hard areas and his brilliant hand-eye coordination took care of the rest.

With the game tied just past the midway point of the third period, the Winnipeg Jets forward got inside position on defenceman Cody Ceci and then deftly redirected the puck out of the air after a point shot/pass from Josh Morrissey for what turned out to be the game-winning goal in a 3-2 victory over the Los Angeles Kings on Saturday afternoon.

"I'm not much of a talker on the ice anyway, but he's a pretty good player," Scheifele said of Morrissey, quickly deflecting praise. "He knew what he was doing."

Scheifele and Morrissey have spent many hours working out together during recent off-seasons and this play was another example of how some of that extra work can pay dividends.

"I just tried to get it through for a forward to get a stick on it and change direction as that is probably not going in on most goalies from the corner of the blue line," said Morrissey. "But, with a stick in front it makes it tough, so it was a great play by him and crazy hand eye, a big goal for us."

It was an impressive play that wouldn't have been possible without the determination to win a one-on-one battle in front of the net.

"You know what, it comes down to a moment and (Scheifele's) tip was that moment," said Jets head coach Scott Arniel, who was much happier with the overall effort compared to the 5-4 loss to the Dallas Stars in the season opener.

The Jets, now 1-1-0, open a two-game road trip on Monday afternoon against the New York Islanders.

It's well known that Scheifele wants to get off to a good start this season and while his focus is on helping the Jets succeed, and a hot start will enhance his opportunity to suit up for Canada at the Olympics in February.

You can be certain that Team Canada general manager Doug Armstrong and the rest of the management team has noticed that Scheifele is already up to two goals and five points after just two games.

Let's take a closer look at what transpired in the contest:

CLOSING IT OUT: There was a hang-on-for-dear-life element to the final two-and-a-half minutes, as the Jets had to survive a roughing minor to Neal Pionk and then an extra-attacker that was eventually a six-on-four after Tanner Pearson was called for tripping with 18 seconds to go in regulation time.

But rather than give up the equalizer, the Jets did a great job of blocking a bunch of shots — including three by defenceman Logan Stanley — and keeping most of the quality chances the Kings generated to the outside.

"It took a lot of sacrifice," said Scheifele. "(Stanley) even took a saucer pass off the head. A lot of big blocks."

Paying the price is something great teams do, whether it's Game 2 of the regular season or Game 7 of a playoff series.

“Yeah, that’s just commitment, doing the tough things to win a hockey game,” said Morrissey. “Guys are putting their bodies on the line. It was awesome. That’s the kind of stuff you need to do to win games.”

POWERFUL STUFF: After going zero-for-four with the man-advantage in the season opener against the Stars, the Jets power play struck on the second chance on Saturday.

Thanks to some nifty passing in tight spaces by Kyle Connor and Gabe Vilardi, the Jets were able to get the puck in front of the net to Alex Iafallo, who had plenty of time to bury his shot past Darcy Kuemper.

The puck movement was crisp and the Jets could have easily added another goal (or two), had it not been for the play of Kuemper, who finished with 28 saves in the contest.

“It easily could have been a 3-0 game early. Kuemper made some really big saves,” said Scheifele. “That (power play) looked a lot better, especially against a good killing team and some good players over there, a good goalie. We just need to keep that up.”

The Jets finished one-for-four and are now one-for-eight through two games.

THE KEY PLAY

Scheifele’s redirection of Morrissey’s point shot at 11:47 of the third period proved to be the game-winner.

THE THREE STARS

Mark Scheifele, Jets – Scored twice, including the game-winner.

Adrian Kempe, Kings – Delivered a goal and an assist, adding five shots on goal and four hits.

Connor Hellebuyck, Jets – A 29-save performance included several during a late flurry by the Kings.

THE INJURY

The hits just keep on coming for the Jets, as defenceman Haydn Fleury is the latest player to suffer an injury.

Already without Dylan Samberg, Adam Lowry and Cole Perfetti, Fleury blocked a heavy shot by Adrian Kempe and suffered a lower-body injury.

Fleury finished the shift but went down the tunnel late in the second period and while tested it on the ice before the third period began, he made his way back to the room for further evaluation and did not return.

Fleury took 15 shifts for 11:42 of ice time, recording three hits and three blocked shots.

“Yeah, he got hit with that shot. He’s pretty sore,” said Arniel. “It caught him on the side of the knee cap. He’ll wake up (Sunday) and we’ll see how he is, see how he’s doing.”

Depending on the severity of the injury, the Jets might have to recall another blue-liner for the road trip.

EXTRA, EXTRA

Jets forward Gabe Vilardi recorded his first two assists of the season, had five shots on goal and 10 shot attempts in the contest.

The Jets scratches were defenceman Colin Miller and forwards Brad Lambert and Parker Ford.

The Manitoba Moose opened the American Hockey League season with a 4-1 victory over the Laval Rocket on Friday night. Jets forward prospect Brayden Yager scored his first professional goal to open the scoring on his first shift, with Colby Barlow supplying the primary assist. Danny Zhilkin scored a goal and added an assist, Walker Duehr scored a goal and goalie Dom DiVincentiis made 36 saves. The Moose and Rocket play again at Canada Life Centre on Sunday afternoon.

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Scheifele scores twice as Winnipeg Jets outlast Kings 3-2 for first win of season

By Christian Aumell Global News

It wasn't pretty, but the Winnipeg Jets have notched their first win of the season.

The Jets picked up a 3-2 victory over the L.A. Kings Saturday afternoon, evening their record at 1-1.

The Jets opened the scoring less than five minutes into the game. With the Kings shorthanded, Kyle Connor found Alex Iafallo wide open in front of the net and Iafallo roofed it past Darcy Kuemper.

Winnipeg had two more power play looks as they dominated the opening 15 minutes of the game but were unable to get another goal before L.A. started to wake up.

The Jets carried the 1-0 advantage into the second along with a 14-9 edge in shots on goal, though at one point the shots were 14-2.

The Kings drew level just 50 seconds into the middle frame when a Mikey Anderson point shot found its way past Connor Hellebuyck.

L.A. took their first lead of the game at the 9:12 mark of the second when Adrian Kempe finished off a nice passing play with a front-door tap-in as he escaped the coverage of Dylan DeMelo.

It appeared that the Kings were in control, keeping the puck in Winnipeg's end for long stretches but after a late-period penalty kill, Mark Scheifele brought the Jets back level.

Morgan Barron got the play started in the Jets' end, breaking up a play and sending the puck over to Scheifele. He carried the puck through the neutral zone and into the Kings' end before falling and attempting to get a shot on goal that was partially deflected by Anderson and through Kuemper to tie the game with 63 seconds remaining in the period.

L.A. outshot the Jets 12-8 in the second and were the better team in the period but the game was tied heading to the third, though the Jets would have to finish the game without Haydn Fleury, who was injured blocking a shot.

After a back-and-forth stretch of play, Scheifele got his second of the game at the 11:47 mark when he deftly deflected a Josh Morrissey shot that was deliberately going wide.

The Jets held on from there with several players blocking shots in a late Kings flurry.

Hellebuyck turned aside 30 shots to earn his first win of the season.

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<https://www.tsn.ca/nhl/video/2025/10/12/is-scheifele-motivated-to-make-team-canada/>

Is Scheifele motivated to make Team Canada? (VIDEO)

Mark Scheifele carried the Jets to a win over the Kings on Saturday with two goals, and has five points through two games so far. Is the Canadian Olympic team a key motivator for Scheifele this season? Craig Button discusses that and how Connor Hellebuyck looked in his second start.

<https://www.tsn.ca/nhl/video/2025/10/11/morrissey-on-jets-motivation-youre-never-satisfied-until-youve-won-a-stanley-cup/>

Morrissey on Jets' motivation: 'You're never satisfied until you've won a Stanley Cup' (VIDEO)

Jets defenceman Josh Morrissey sits down with TSN Hockey Insider Darren Dreger to discuss the excitement surrounding the team heading into the season, finding chemistry with the new additions on the roster, the importance of Kyle Connor's long-term extension with the club, the team's motivation to win it all this season, and more.

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Exhausted Jets make the late sacrifice to hold off the Kings

By Gordon Anderson

What a furious fight to the finish.

The Jets needed to withstand an extended offensive push late in the third period by the Los Angeles Kings to squeeze out a 3-2 win on Saturday afternoon at Canada Life Centre.

“That was just a commitment to doing the tough things to win a hockey game,” head coach Scott Arniel said.

After Mark Scheifele gave the Jets a 3-2 lead at 11:47 of the third period, objective No. 1 was to hang on and pick up the first victory over the season. Mission accomplished, but it didn't come easy as the Jets had to hunker down after taking two penalties in the final 3:30 of the game.

First up, Neal Pionk was assessed a roughing penalty in front of the Jets net when he tackled Brandt Clarke at 16:30.

The Kings buzzed the tower for the entirety of the power-play, firing eight shots at the Winnipeg net. Four shots missed the cage, two were stopped by Connor Hellebuyck. Tanner Pearson and Logan Stanley each blocked one.

After Pionk left the box and got back into the defensive zone, the Kings worked the puck around as the exhausted Jets defenders were getting in the shot lanes, Stanley laying on the ice to stop passes near the net and trying to block shots as the Jets were in survival mode.

The Kings also had a nine second 6-on-4 advantage after pulling Darcy Kuemper for the extra attacker with 99 seconds remaining in the game.

"They're dead tired and then (Pionk) got out there (as a forward) and they pulled their goalie," Arniel said. "You're already tired and then it's (about) shot lanes, you're going to have to get in front of a couple, like we did. On the other side of it, when those shots get into Hellebuyck, then there's going to be rebounds, and you're going to have to find a way to whack them, to get them out of the net front."

During the 6-on-5, Dylan DeMelo, Vlad Namestnikov, and Stanley were credited with blocks during the hectic pace as the Kings zipped the puck around the perimeter looking for a clear lane to the net.

"It's early in the year, so we haven't had a lot of time to talk about our 6-on-5 defence, and I thought they executed what we wanted and what we talked about," defenceman Josh Morrissey said. "It was awesome to see Stanley with some huge blocks. DeMelo, great stick. I mean, Vladdy and Pearson, it was awesome. So that's the kind of stuff you need to do to win games."

Stanley's final shift lasted 2:35. He was credited with two shot blocks. DeMelo's final shift was three seconds longer than Stanley's and he blocked another shot.

"It took a lot of sacrifice," Scheifele added. "Stanley took a saucer pass off the head. You need that in those moments to get a win."

Morrissey, who was stapled to the bench during the wild melee in the defensive zone, loved the early-season intent.

"It's Game 2, but guys are putting their bodies on the line," he said.

After the Jets finally got the puck out of the defensive zone, Pearson missed a chance when he whiffed a shot at the open net, taking a penalty by tripping Adrian Kempe at the Kings blue line with 18 seconds left.

<https://winnipegstar.com/sports/mark-scheifele-steps-up-with-two-goals-as-jets-earn-first-win-of-young-season>

Mark Scheifele steps up with two goals as Jets earn first win of young season

By Gordon Anderson

Mark Scheifele is filling a leadership vacuum with captain Adam Lowry on the sidelines for the foreseeable future.

He's also contributing on the ice, scoring twice, including the game-winner just past the midway point of the third period as the Jets beat the Los Angeles Kings 3-2 on Saturday afternoon at the Canada Life Centre.

Including his three assists in the 5-4 loss to the Dallas Stars in the season opener on Thursday, the club's top centre has produced five points through his first two games.

Scheifele scored late in the second period on Saturday, a pass intended for Morgan Barron deflecting off Mikey Anderson and between the legs of Los Angeles keeper Darcy Kuemper at 18:57, sending the game to the third tied at 2-2.

"He's our leader," Jets head coach Scott Arniel said of Scheifele. "He's one of our leaders and he's having to do a little bit more with (Adam Lowry) being out, with the leadership in our room. His play on the ice has been really good. He's certainly driving some offence there."

Lowry is expected to return in the next three to four weeks. He had hip surgery back in May, days after the club was knocked out of the playoffs in six games by the Stars. The Jets haven't provided an official update on Lowry's status since the commencement of training camp last month.

Scheifele's game-winner occurred after he redirected a Josh Morrissey shot behind Kuemper at 11:47.

The shot-pass was in front of Scheifele, but somehow No. 55 managed to redirect the puck with the shaft of his stick towards the net, and, lo and behold, it floated over the left arm of Kuemper.

"They try to get traffic, and Scheifele is great at connecting," Morrissey said. "I just tried to get it through for a forward to get a stick on it and change direction as that is probably not going in on most goalies from the corner of the blue line. But, with a stick in front, it makes it tough, so it was a great play by him and a crazy hand-eye, a big goal for us."

But the Jets had to hunker down from there as they took two penalties in the final 3:30 of the game.

Neal Pionk was assessed a roughing penalty in front of the Jets net when he tackled Brandt Clarke at 16:30.

After a successful penalty kill, including a lengthy 6-on-5 for the opposition with Darcy Kuemper on the bench for the extra attacker, Jets' Tanner Pearson was flagged for tripping at 19:42.

Prior to the penalty, Pearson had a chance to ice the game, but fanned with his attempt at the empty net, taking down Adrian Kempe at the Los Angeles blue line in the process.

The Kings went 0-for-5 on the power play. Through two games, the Jets have allowed one power-play goal in nine chances.

“The other night and tonight, I’ve been very impressed with (the penalty kill),” Arniel said.

The Jets managed to clear on the ensuing faceoff to secure their first win of the season. The club now heads out for a two-game road trip, starting Monday on Long Island against the Islanders.

“We weren’t happy with the last game,” Scheifele said. “We know L.A. is a tough team. They make it a hard day all around. We knew we had to come out strong, and we were happy with the way we started. We kind of had a little lull in the (second period), but kudos to the boys for sticking with it.”

Former Jets forward Jeff Mallott and Luke Schenn dropped the gloves on the Kings side of centre at 9:26 of the first period.

After four seasons with the Jets organization, Mallot signed with the Kings at the completion of the 2023-24 season. Mallot played in one game with Winnipeg during the 2020-21 campaign, scoring 82 goals in 237 games with the Manitoba Moose. Mallot skated on a Kings line with Alex Turcotte and Joel Armia.

Mallott and Jets centreman Morgan Barron were teammates for three seasons with the Cornell Big Red.

After going 0-for-4 against the Stars in the season opener on Thursday, the power play responded with one goal on four chances as Alex Lafallo found the top of the net over the right shoulder of Kuemper to open the scoring at 4:48 of the first period.

After allowing five goals on 37 shots in the home opener, Connor Hellebuyck stopped 30 of 32 shots for the win.

Anderson and Kempe scored second-period goals for the Kings.

Kuemper turned aside 24 of 27 shots in defeat.