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Buffalo Sabres (29-28-8, sixth in the Atlantic Division) vs. Winnipeg Jets (33-28-6, fifth in the Central Division)

Winnipeg, Manitoba; Tuesday, 8 p.m. EST

BOTTOM LINE: Jack Eichel leads Buffalo into a matchup against Winnipeg. He ranks 10th in the league with 77 points, scoring 35 goals and recording 42 assists.

The Jets are 17-14-3 on their home ice. Winnipeg has scored 39 power-play goals, converting on 19.7% of chances.

The Sabres are 10-18-4 in road games. Buffalo has scored 36 power-play goals, converting on 19.6% of chances.

Buffalo took down Winnipeg 2-1 in the last meeting between these teams on Feb. 23. Kyle Okposo scored two goals for the Sabres in the win.

TOP PERFORMERS: Kyle Connor leads the Jets with 33 goals and has totaled 67 points. Mark Scheifele has five goals and six assists over the last 10 games for Winnipeg.

Eichel leads the Sabres with 42 total assists and has recorded 77 points. Okposo has four goals and two assists over the last 10 games for Buffalo.

LAST 10 GAMES: Sabres: 5-5-0, averaging 3.1 goals, 5.3 assists, 1.8 penalties and 3.6 penalty minutes while giving up 2.9 goals per game with a .906 save percentage.

Jets: 4-5-1, averaging 2.8 goals, 5.1 assists, 2.9 penalties and eight penalty minutes while giving up 2.5 goals per game with a .920 save percentage.

INJURIES: Jets: Sami Niku: out (lower-body), Patrik Laine: day to day (lower body), Josh Morrissey: day to day (upper body).

Sabres: Victor Olofsson: day to day (undisclosed).

As disappointing trip closes, Ralph Krueger wants Sabres to maintain intensity

By Mike Harrington

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WINNIPEG – Coach Ralph Krueger has spent lots of time this season pushing aside all the negative history surrounding the Buffalo Sabres and trying to forge new chapters. He's about to have his biggest test yet.

The Sabres' playoff chances are nil, barring some major winning streak. They've annually been one of the NHL's worst teams in March in recent years, and the the month that comes in like a lion starts here Tuesday night against the Winnipeg Jets. Krueger said he is expecting his team to have the same roar it has shown at times in all three games it has lost on its current road trip.

"It's just really important we keep communicating," Krueger said after practice in Bell MTS Place. "Lots of communication going on between the coaches and the players and the players and each other. And we keep everybody active so nobody starts feeling sorry for themselves and loses their eye on the ball. And the ball is that we're developing a culture here. We're developing an identity and we all believe in that."

This was a trip that could have kept the Sabres in the playoff race well into March. Instead, they lost at Colorado and Vegas when both games were tied at the second intermission. Then they fell apart Saturday in Arizona as a 2-0 lead turned into a 5-2 defeat.

"One of our pieces we need to learn right here and right now," Krueger said, "is managing games and managing momentum in games when it's on our side, like it was for us in both those games and we let it slip away. ... It was probably us wanting it too much."

Krueger said his club's defensive breakdowns on the trip have been a product of pushing too hard at the offensive end of the ice.

"We've felt comfortable in the games but instead of maintaining the defensive stance, we've been pushing too hard to score to force the wins in Colorado and Vegas, especially," Krueger said. "And we slipped defensively, instead of continuing to frustrate the opposition by neutralizing them defensively and letting the offense grow out of that."

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While the Sabres' forward lines will stay the same for Tuesday's game, meaning Michael Frolik will remain the healthy scratch, there could be a change on defense.

Krueger wasn't ready to reveal his plans but Lawrence Pilut, a healthy scratch the last two games after a recall from Rochester, was paired with Rasmus Ristolainen at practice and could be getting back in the lineup. Colin Miller and Henri Jokiharju were sharing shifts with Jake McCabe, and Miller could be scratched in favor of Pilut. If Miller plays, it would be his 300th career NHL game.

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The Sabres are 6-3 in their last nine games against the Jets, including their 2-1 win Feb. 23 in KeyBank Center. They have not played here in more than 15 months, since a 2-1 shootout win on Nov. 16, 2018. That came in the midst of Buffalo's 10-game winning streak that tied the franchise record.

Winnipeg is in the thick of what is a ridiculous race for the Western Conference wild cards. When play started Monday, there were five teams within three points and the Jets were tied for the second spot with Nashville – but the Predators had three games in hand.

Winnipeg winger Patrik Laine did not practice Monday due to a lower-body injury and his status will be determined at Tuesday's morning skate. Laine is third on the team this season in both goals (26) and points (59).

Top-pair defenseman Josh Morrissey, a late scratch for the last week's loss in Buffalo, is back at practice and said here Monday he should be fine for Tuesday night.

Good news for bedraggled Sabres: Victor Olofsson, Linus Ullmark return to practice

By Mike Harrington
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WINNIPEG – The standings tell a depressing tale, but the Buffalo Sabres still had plenty of life at practice late Monday afternoon in Bell MTS Place.

There was speed, chatter, spirit and byplay throughout the 45-minute workout as the team came directly to the rink off the plane from Arizona. Coach Ralph Krueger said newcomers Wayne Simmonds and Dominik Kahun have added life to help the group dynamic, and the team was also buoyed by the presence of two other players on the ice nobody expected to see here.

Winger Victor Olofsson was in his normal spot on a line with Jack Eichel and Sam Reinhart, a surprising development after most observers thought his season might be over when he hobbled to the bench during Saturday's loss to the Coyotes.

And goaltender Linus Ullmark was on the ice with the team for the first time since suffering a right leg injury when he caught his skate in a crease rut during the Jan. 28 loss to Ottawa.

Olofsson will be in the lineup Tuesday night against the Winnipeg Jets. Ullmark, meanwhile, was just undertaking the next step in his return-to-play progression and is not ready for game action.

The Sabres, of course, would love to get Ullmark back as soon as they can. The goaltending tandem of Carter Hutton and Jonas Johansson has simply not been good enough on this trip, posting a mediocre .890 save percentage in losing all three games.

Ullmark, meanwhile, was playing some of the best hockey of his career. Until the injury, he was 5-3 in January with a 2.17 goals-against average and .929 save percentage. He already has a career-high 16 wins.

"Especially off breakdowns and second chances, he just stayed strong and solid and calm, and we loved that about his game," said Krueger. "We need to find that back really quickly."

Krueger said the Sabres wanted Ullmark to get back into practice to take shots from NHL players, something that's not possible while working with the club's rehab team. Ullmark agreed with that notion but said the trip here was a big mental boost for him as well.

"It's more to being around the boys; that's the biggest thing for me right is to be around the guys socializing," he said. "When you're injured, you're kind of in your own bubble trying to work on things you need to do to get back as soon as possible so you don't really hang around the boys now. That's one of the things I really enjoy doing. We're all sociable people. It's been a challenge, so it's nice to be back."

Ullmark's injury came on a freak play, as he crumbled in the crease trying to push off when no other player was near him. Losing five weeks of the season at crunch time was difficult to accept.

"Obviously every injury is tough. Doesn't matter how big or how small it is," he said. "You want to be in the game, playing games, helping the boys out and you want to win. Once you get injured and you're sitting there watching and not being a part of it, it's tough."

"I had good conversations with the medical teams at all times what to expect, what to work on going forward. I just took it day by day. ... I have a lot of gratitude towards the guys who helped me during this time."

Krueger said Ullmark will take more shots Tuesday morning and again at practice on Wednesday. Thursday's home game against Pittsburgh still seems a bit premature for a return, but perhaps the club pushes for Saturday's game in Philadelphia or next Monday's visit by the Washington Capitals.

"I don't know. You take it day by day. This is my first team practice," Ullmark said. "We'll see how tomorrow goes, the next day after that and we'll take it from there."

Olofsson collided with Arizona's Brad Richardson and hobbled off the ice with no weight on the ankle he sprained Jan. 2 that cost him 15 games. It was much like when Jack Eichel suffered a similar issue in 2016; players returning often tear scar tissue and go into a brief shock thinking they have reinjured their foot.

"I felt good yesterday on the day off, felt like I was able to practice today and felt good on the ice," Olofsson said. "I'm good to go. It happens once in a while. It's just you have to be a little bit more cautious. We didn't want to force anything."

"It looks like he felt good today and we're really pleased," Krueger said. "We all had no idea which way this was going to go, and it's gone in the right direction. ... There is some synergy evolving in the lines so we want to leave them together. Getting Victor back in the lineup is a big bonus for us."

Victor Olofsson, Linus Ullmark return to Sabres practice

By Mike Harrington

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WINNIPEG – After losing the first three games of their road trip, the Buffalo Sabres are in the market for any good news they can get and there's definitely some of that late Monday afternoon in Bell MTS Place.

As the team's practice started just before 5 p.m. EST, goaltender Linus Ullmark was on the ice with the team for the first time since injuring his ankle in the Jan. 28 loss to Ottawa. And winger Victor Olofsson, who appeared to suffer a serious right leg injury Saturday night in Arizona, was also a surprise participant.

Ullmark suffered a freak injury in the goal crease against the Senators, getting his skate caught in a rut and going down without colliding with any other player. He had established himself as the team's No. 1 goalie, posting a 16-14-2 record with a 2.72 goals-against average and .914 save percentage. Coach Ralph Krueger said Ullmark is here to get shots from NHL players and won't play in Tuesday's game against the Winnipeg Jets.

The Sabres host Pittsburgh on Thursday, play Saturday at Philadelphia and host Washington on Monday. It is realistic for Ullmark to play at some point in that stretch?

"I don't know. You take it day by day. This is my first team practice," he said. "We'll see how tomorrow goes, the next day after that and we'll take it from there."

Asked how close to normal Ullmark felt, he said, "Not that close to normal yet but better than I thought it would be. Definitely."

Olofsson, meanwhile, collided along the boards in front of the Arizona bench with Coyotes forward Brad Richardson and was immediately left with searing pain in his right leg. He hobbled to the bench and teammates helped him over the boards before he went down the tunnel to the locker room and did not return.

"I felt good yesterday on the day off, felt like I was able to practice today and felt good on the ice," Olofsson said. "I'm good to go. It happens once in a while. It's just you have to be a little bit more cautious. We didn't want to force anything."

Olofsson was skating in practice on his normal spot with Jack Eichel and Sam Reinhart. He had just returned to the lineup Feb. 13 after missing 15 games with a high ankle sprain.

Even with that prolonged absence, he's third on the team in goals (19) and points (40). He's also third among NHL rookies in goals behind Chicago's Dominik Kubalik (29) and Los Angeles' Denis Gurianov (20), and is fourth in points behind defensemen Quinn Hughes of Vancouver (51) and Cale Makar of Colorado (47).

West Seneca native Sean Malone slowly regaining Sabres' prospect status

By Bill Hoppe

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ROCHESTER – It took much longer than Americans center Sean Malone anticipated to reach this stage in his development.

Last year, fresh off a strong rookie season, injuries nearly derailed the West Seneca native's career. The physical toll and accompanying mental anguish sapped his confidence and left him searching for answers.

After appearing in only 38 games as a second-year pro, the Buffalo Sabres did not offer Malone a contract. Instead, the Amerks signed him to an American Hockey League deal.

But Malone, 24, has enjoyed a comeback campaign, morphing into one of coach Chris Taylor's most trusted forwards.

"I love the game again," Malone said.

While Malone said he never lost his love for hockey, missing so much action last season and rarely feeling like himself when he managed to play wore heavily on him.

"I know I had another gear, and I just wasn't able to turn it on," said Malone, who has stayed healthy all season. "I think stepping away and working on the issues I had this summer and coming back stronger is really paying off."

Malone has 11 goals, a career-high 28 points and a plus-14 rating in 54 games.

"Maybe I'm developing a little later than I would've imagined," said Malone, who has the highest rating among Amerks forwards.

While Malone is in his mid-20s and doesn't have an NHL contract, he could be earning back his prospect status.

"He's really coming back to what we thought he was going to be as a player," Taylor said. "He's opening up not just his coaches' eyes, but his peers' eyes. Everybody that's around him understands (not only) how good of a player he is, but how much he's grown and how (dedicated he) has been this year. He's getting rewarded for it."

Taylor has rewarded Malone with an expanded role. In last Wednesday's 3-2 shootout loss to Utica, Taylor utilized him on the power play, to take a critical faceoff in the waning seconds of overtime and in the shootout.

"It's nice being relied on in important situations," Malone said. "Even today out there I went on the three-on-three to take an important faceoff with 15 seconds left. It's things like that, I think, that separate me from some guys. I want to keep doing that."

Taylor said Malone's confidence handling the puck has been his biggest area of growth.

"He's just not just throwing pucks in to get it in deep," he said. "He's making plays, he's making really good plays, sound plays. He's reliable on the defensive side of the puck, too. He's always underneath it supporting."

"He's one of those guys I can trust putting out in all different situations."

Malone, a sixth-round pick by the Sabres in 2013, 159th overall, seemed to develop quickly earlier in his career.

He earned a spot on the U.S. National Development Team as a teenager, played four years at Harvard and jumped directly to the NHL just days after his college career ended.

But other than one game he played with the Sabres just hours after signing his entry-level contract in 2017, he has stayed in Rochester.

Following a strong rookie campaign with the Amerks in 2017-18, Malone injured a knee in the Sabres' preseason opener last season before battling upper- and lower-body injuries.

"A couple of the injuries I had really set me back," said Malone, who said he underwent a "procedure" during the offseason. "I didn't feel like myself. To get those (injuries) out of the way, it feels good, it feels back to how I felt in college and before that."

A year ago at this time, Malone had just returned from a five-week absence and hadn't scored a goal in more than two months.

"He had a lot of injuries and he just couldn't find that groove," Taylor said. "And every time he kind of got back for two or three games he got injured again. I think just staying healthy this year gave him that consistency that he needed. But he worked hard all summer for it."

Malone said this season compared to last one is "like night and day."

"I went through a little mental battle, got in contact with the right people and sorted it out," said Malone, who wouldn't reveal with whom he spoke. "I'm just feeling good this year and grateful to have another opportunity with Rochester."

He added: "It was really tough for me mentally, and to be able to get past that, I think that makes me a better person. I just feel like my character's a little bit better."

Ullmark and Olofsson on the ice for the Sabres today

By Pat Malacaro

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The Buffalo Sabres took to the ice at Bell MTS Place for practice on Monday afternoon, fresh off the plane from Phoenix, and still fresh off their third straight loss of the road trip.

The team did get some good news with Linus Ullmark joining the blue and gold for the first time since suffering a lower body injury on January 28. The goaltender took part with Carter Hutton and Jonas Johansson but is not ready when the team plays the Winnipeg Jets on Tuesday.

The goalie was happy to be back with his teammates more than anything, saying "it's more to be being around the boys, I think that's the biggest thing for me" Ullmark continued, "when you're injured you're kind of in your own bubble trying to work on things that you need to do to get back as soon as possible, so you don't really hang around with the boys anymore, so that's one of the things that I really enjoy doing." The goaltender is 16-14-3 in 33 starts for the Sabres this season.

Head coach Ralph Krueger thought that Ullmark looked better than expected, adding that it "is the next step for him, to see NHL shots, there's only so much our rehab team can do as far as getting a goalie ready, so it's important to get him into practices" Krueger continued "it's the beginning of the next phase." He added that Ullmark is not an option to go in goal against the Jets.

Krueger also praised the effort level of his team during the skate. The team had a full day off on Sunday before leaving for Manitoba. After practice the bench boss said that, "we like the spirit of the group right now, yes we've lost a few in a row right now but you don't feel it in this group, they have a lot of fight in this group and I know we're going to be fighting hard here in this building tomorrow. The Sabres beat Winnipeg at KeyBank Center last Sunday 2-1.

The forward lines remained the same as the past two games of the road trip, with Olofsson joining Jack Eichel and Sam Reinhart. Michael Frolik worked in as the extra forward throughout the practice. The other lines were:

Olofsson-Eichel-Reinhart
Skinner-Lazar-Simmonds
Vesey-Marcus Johansson-Kahun
Girgensons-Larsson-Okposo

Krueger said that the defensive pairings will be determined tomorrow. Lawrence Pilut and Colin Miller alternated with Jake McCabe during the skate. The other blue line pairings were:

Montour-Jokiharju
Dahlin-Ristolainen
McCabe-Miller/Pilut

The Jets are dealing with a rash of injuries, Patrik Laine will take part tomorrow morning during the morning skate to test out his injured foot, according to head coach Paul Maurice. He missed Saturday night's 3-2 loss to the Edmonton Oilers after blocking a shot late in the team's win last Thursday. Winnipeg has not played since their loss on Saturday night.

Sabres' Victor Olofsson, Linus Ullmark return from injuries, practice

By Bill Hoppe

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Winger Victor Olofsson and goalie Linus Ullmark both practiced today in Winnipeg, where the Buffalo Sabres close their four-game road trip Tuesday against the Jets.

Olofsson, one of the NHL's top rookies, left Saturday's 5-2 loss after his lower body became tangled with Coyotes forward Brad Richardson in front of the Arizona bench.

Sabres coach Ralph Krueger told reporters Olofsson will face the Jets.

"It looks like he felt good today and we're really pleased," he said. "We all had no idea which way this was going to go and it's gone in the right direction, so we're happy to be able to keep the lines together."

Meanwhile, Ullmark hadn't practiced since suffering a lower-body injury Jan. 28. He won't play Tuesday.

"This is the next step for him, is to see NHL shots," Krueger said. "There's only so much our rehab team can do as far as getting a goalie ready, so it's important to get him in practices, have him see some shots today, see some shots tomorrow.

"There's no timeline here. It's the beginning of the next phase."

Krueger said Ullmark, who has missed the last 15 games, could play in the next week.

How do you fix the Buffalo Sabres?

By Ryan Kennedy

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Once again, the Buffalo Sabres are dragging themselves to the end of an NHL season, hopes of a playoff run dashed – if not mathematically, then at least spiritually. A team that held such hope early in the season has fallen apart and the fanbase has rightly been up in arms about the lack of progress during the Jack Eichel era.

So what can be done over the summer? A lot of fan ire has been directed at GM Jason Botterill, who took over the reins in 2017 and has yet to deliver any post-season berths in Buffalo. Will the Pegulas pull the plug on his tenure, or keep pitching forward? Either way, whoever is making the roster decisions this summer actually has a lot of room to work with. Let's look at the landscape right now.

OFFENSE

The Sabres have a bottom-10 offense in the NHL right now, despite employing an elite No. 1 center in Eichel. Victor Olofsson proved to be a great running mate for Eichel, but the rookie's season was mercilessly interrupted by a lower-body injury. Jeff Skinner, Botterill's marquee acquisition/re-signing, was a complete bust in his second season with the team, but Skinner has a history of down years and could very well rebound to 35-40 goal territory next season. So you're potentially adding another 20 goals to the offense with him alone. Factor in growth and full health from Olofsson and you get at least 10 more goals from the Swedish left winger, too.

Now here's where it gets interesting: the Sabres have a ton of free agent forwards this summer and I say you let the majority walk. Michael Frolik, Jimmy Vesey, even home-grown products Zemgus Girgensons and Johan Larsson can all be replaced. None of them will be the secondary scorers the Sabres need. Maybe you re-sign Wayne Simmonds for leadership and toughness, but only if the price is right (ie inexpensive). Dominik Kahun, recently acquired from Pittsburgh? He could be a keeper. Potential rookies for 2020-21 include Dylan Cozens and Matej Pekar, but both would have to prove themselves and neither should be gifted a roster spot. And it's OK if Casey Mittelstadt has to spend more time with AHL Rochester. I honestly don't know what you do with Kyle Okposo's contract, other than hope you can eventually get Seattle to take it by giving them a draft pick or two. A big-name free agent would be nice, but this is a bad summer for UFAs, outside of Taylor Hall – who will be in high demand elsewhere. Better to keep the mistakes to a minimum.

THE PENALTY KILL

Even more so than offense, special teams have been a disaster in Buffalo. The power play started the year as No. 1 in the NHL and has since fallen to mid-pack, at best. But the penalty-kill has been a black hole, worst in the league. This is where the Sabres can really make some impact moves that won't break the bank. Two very good penalty-killers just so happen to be up for unrestricted free agency this summer: Derek Grant and Vlad Namestnikov. The fact both were traded to playoff teams at the deadline (Philadelphia and Colorado, respectively) gives you a sense of their worth league-wide, but if Buffalo could grab one or both on the open market, the Sabres' PK woes would be helped dramatically.

GOALTENDING

Give the starter's job to Linus Ullmark. Injury has him out of the mix right now, but in terms of Goals Saved Above Average, he was light years ahead of Carter Hutton this year. While Ullmark is a respectable 23rd in the NHL at 4.56, Hutton is way down at 57th at -10.05. Hutton's contract isn't too bad – he has one more year with a cap hit of \$2.7 million left after this season – so maybe you find a taker for him and use Jonas Johansson as the backup while star prospect Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen continues to develop in Rochester.

If all that makes you skittish, the other option is to go big with a UFA. Would Robin Lehner return to Buffalo? He's certainly put in the work since he last wore a Sabres jersey. If the Canucks can't re-sign Jacob Markstrom, he'd be another good one – though you have to think about term (which Markstrom can surely command) versus Luukkonen's future, because you don't want the kid sitting around for years waiting for his turn once he's ready.

Defensively, continued growth from Rasmus Dahlin and internal help from a rookie such as Jacob Bryson will help the transition game and by extension, give the goalies more of a break too.

Are these new Sabres world-beaters? Not yet – but they'd at least be a playoff team with some hope.

Olofsson, Ullmark practice in Winnipeg

By Jourdon LaBarber

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WINNIPEG -- Linus Ullmark was back at practice with the Buffalo Sabres on Monday for the first time since sustaining a lower-body injury on Jan. 28.

Ullmark's presence was one of two pieces of good news for the Sabres, who also had Victor Olofsson back in his usual spot on a line with Jack Eichel and Sam Reinhart after the rookie winger left Saturday's game in Arizona during the second period with an apparent injury.

While Olofsson is expected to play Tuesday in Winnipeg, coach Ralph Krueger said the best case for Ullmark is to see him back sometime in the next week.

"This is the next step for him, is to see NHL shots," Krueger said. "There's only so much our rehab team can do as far as getting a goalie ready so it's important to get him in practices, have him see some shots today, see some shots tomorrow. There's no timeline here. It's the beginning of the next phase."

Ullmark's injury occurred during the third period of a loss to Ottawa at KeyBank Center. The goaltender was following the action behind his net when his left skate appeared to collide with the post, forcing him to fall awkwardly on his right leg.

Krueger said the coaching staff felt pleasantly surprised by how sharp Ullmark looked in his first practice back. Ullmark said he felt better than expected, though not 100 percent. He was particularly enthused about being back around his teammates after being separated through the first three stops of their Western Conference road trip.

"I think that's the biggest thing for me right now is just to be around the guys, socializing," he said. "When you're injured, you're kind of in your own bubble trying to work on things you need to do to get back as soon as possible so you don't really hang around with the boys anymore. So, that's one of the things that I really do enjoy doing."

Ullmark had started 18 of Buffalo's last 20 games prior to his injury. He's posted a .914 save percentage in 33 games this season and his 16 wins are a career high.

"He just developed a calm and a confidence trusting, number one, his positional play, especially off breakdowns and second chances," Krueger said. "He just stayed strong and solid and calm and we loved that about his game."

"We need to just find that back really quickly because it was that combination of being aggressive in the right moments but also understanding when he needed to just use his size and his positional play to defend. He looked really good in practice today, I have to say."

Monday's practice

Krueger said he was pleased with the attitude of the team on the heels of three disappointing road losses, two of which were tied entering the third period. The Sabres will look to salvage the final game of the trip tomorrow against the Jets, a team they beat at home just eight days ago.

"We just keep everybody active so that nobody starts feeling sorry for themselves or loses their eye on the ball, and the ball is that we're developing a culture here and we're developing an identity," Krueger said.

"We all believe in that. How hard we work here is going to be critical wherever this future goes and that's something we can feel in the team. We feel it in the spirit and we feel it in the work ethic of a practice like today where you don't see anybody with their heads down."

Here's how the Sabres lined up.

Forwards

68 Victor Olofsson - 9 Jack Eichel - 23 Sam Reinhart
28 Zemgus Girgensons - 22 Johan Larsson - 21 Kyle Okposo
53 Jeff Skinner - 27 Curtis Lazar / 67 Michael Frolik - 17 Wayne Simmonds
13 Jimmy Vesey - 90 Marcus Johansson - 95 Dominik Kahun

Defensemen

10 Henri Jokiharju, 19 Jake McCabe, 24 Lawrence Pilut, 26 Rasmus Dahlin, 33 Colin Miller, 55 Rasmus Ristolainen, 62 Brandon Montour

Goalies

40 Carter Hutton
34 Jonas Johansson
35 Linus Ullmark