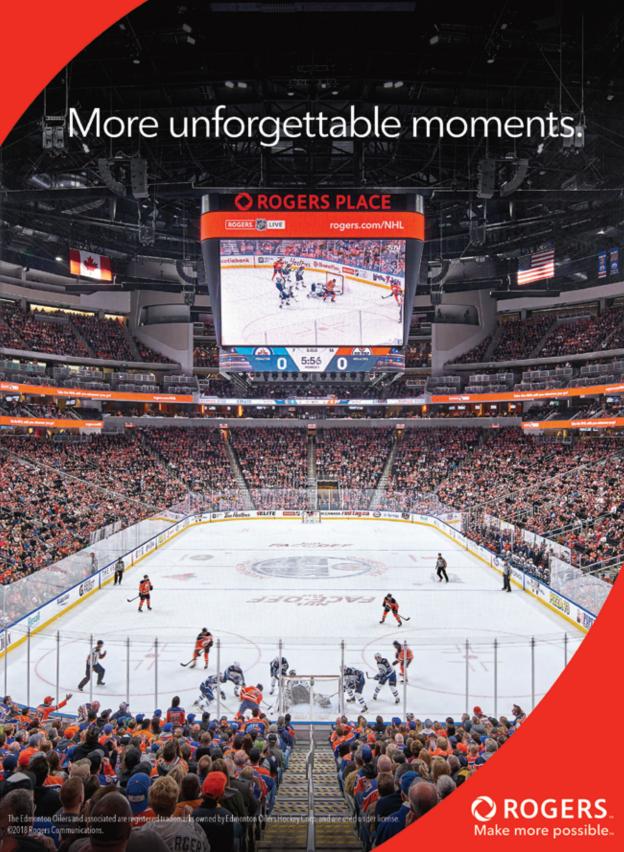




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## **9** THE GLOBAL GAME

The Oilers had the honour of opening the 2018-19 season abroad in Gothenburg, Sweden for the NHL Global Series as they took on the New Jersey Devils. The trip, which also included an exhibition game in Cologne, Germany, was a showcase of Oilers fandom on an international stage as hundreds of supporters travelled from North America to enjoy the unique opportunity, while loyalists living in Europe finally got to cheer their team on in person.

## 41 HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER

Throughout the month of November, all 31 NHL teams participated in the Hockey Fights Cancer campaign, with the Oilers hosting their game night on Sunday, Nov. 18 against the Vegas Golden Knights. The evening featured an emotional ceremonial faceoff with 13-year-old Ava DeGannes, who battled osteogenic sarcoma, as well as Oilers and Golden Knights players, coaches and support staff displaying "I Fight For" cards with personal names and causes written on them.

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directed to the Edmonton Down Syndrome Society and Special Olympics Edmonton.

Iconic Oilers dressing room attendant Joev Moss was celebrated for his 35th anniversary with the team and his 55th birthday at the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation's second annual Iron & Frost Gala on Thursday, Nov. 15 at Rogers Place. The gala featured a dinner, hot-stoye panels with current and former players and a mock casino with presentday Oilers serving as dealers. Proceeds were

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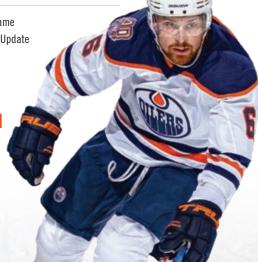
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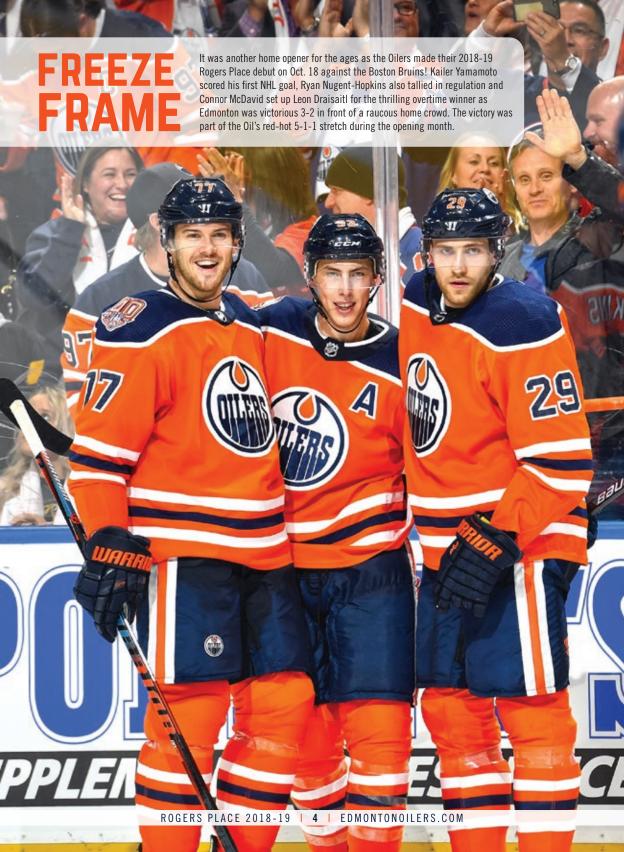
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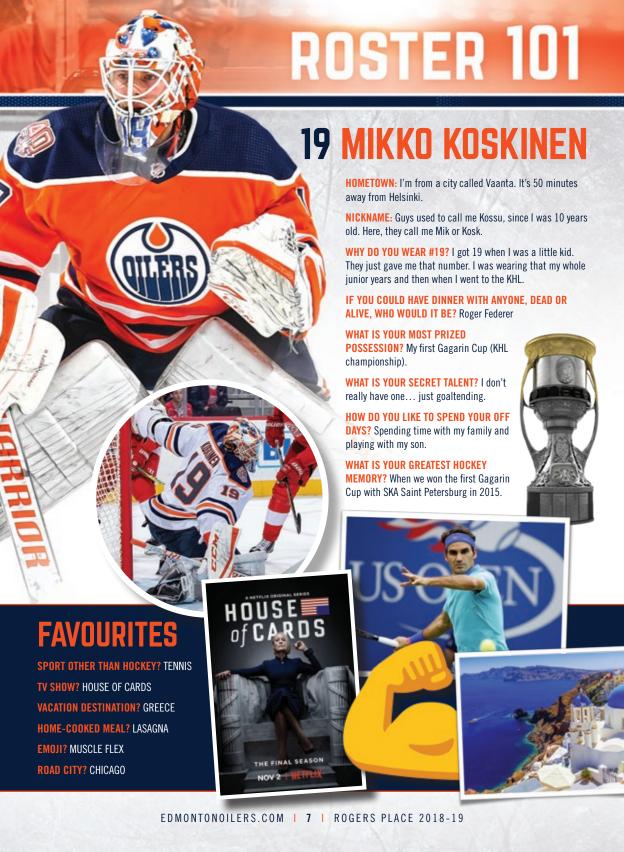


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# GLOBALGAME

BY RYAN FRANKSON

#### IT WAS THE PERFECT NHL GLOBAL SERIES MOMENT.

As if eight-year-old Isak Axelsson's day could have gotten any better.

Decked out in his brand new Global Series hat and bright orange and blue Edmonton Oilers hoodie, Isak and his mom had arrived at a Gothenburg pizza café a couple of blocks away from the Scandinavium arena.

They had just finished watching Isak's hockey heroes skate during their open practice at the Scandinavium, one day prior to their first 2018-19 regular season game against the New Jersey Devils.

Hockey. Pizza. Quality time with mom. How do you improve on that?

Enter Swedish-born defencemen Oscar Klefbom and Adam Larsson, arriving at the café to shoot an episode of Oilers TV's new series The Drill.

Oilers Senior Director of Hockey Communications J.J. Hebert was part of the contingent for the video shoot and noticed Isak and his mom in the café as Klefbom and Larsson took their seats and were prepped for their interview.

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Hebert brought Isak over to meet the Oilers players and as the youngster approached the defensive duo with wide eyes and a big smile, he asked them the burning question he had circulating in his mind.

"Do you know where Connor McDavid is?"

Classic. Klefbom, Larsson and everyone else sitting around the table enjoyed a collective chuckle before Oscar had to break the news to Isak that the Oilers captain wouldn't be joining them for lunch and they didn't know where he was at the time.

Though Isak was a little bit disappointed he didn't get to meet the two-time defending Art Ross Trophy and Ted Lindsay Award winner, he was beaming from ear to ear as Klefbom and Larsson signed his Oilers gear and took some photos with him after Oscar scooped him up off the floor and plopped him down between them in the booth.

At first, the Oilers players assumed their new little buddy was visiting Gothenburg from Edmonton, likely as part one of the many tour groups who made the journey to Germany and Sweden to watch the Global Series games. They were pleasantly surprised to find out that Isak was in fact a local and has been following the Oilers all the way from Sweden.

They conversed a bit more in their native language before Isak and his mom said goodbye to the Oilers players and returned to their table.

"I get this question a lot," laughed Klefbom, reflecting on Isak's inquiry regarding the whereabouts of their superstar teammate.

"Even if we were playing in my hometown (Karlstad, which is about a three-hour drive from Gothenburg) it would be, 'Hey, Oscar, where's Connor?' That's just how it is. I would be the same, so I don't blame them."

The endearing interaction between the pint-sized Oilers fan and two players from his favourite team was an appropriate microcosm of what the Global Series is all about — engaging with international hockey fans and raising the NHL's profile outside of its immediate demographic in Canada and the United States.

In September, the Calgary Flames and Boston Bruins played a pair of exhibition games in China as the NHL continues to embrace that rapidly-growing hockey market. Then, it was the Oilers and Devils turn to log some long hours on an airplane as they headed to Europe.

New Jersey's first stop was Switzerland as they played their final pre-season game against SC Bern in 2017 first-overall pick Nico Hischier's homeland before travelling north to Sweden to take on the Oil in the opener. Edmonton's final tune-up game was contested in Cologne, Germany, hometown of Leon Draisaitl, whose father Peter coached the Oilers opponent for the exhibition affair, the Kölner Haie.

The Oilers stayed right in the heart of Cologne for their four days in Deutschland, directly across the street from the train station and the city's famous cathedral. Each day, more and more Oilers jerseys could be spotted in the area, and by the time Wednesday's game rolled around, a crowd of about 100 fans gathered outside of the team hotel to bid the Oilers adieu as they departed for Lanxess Arena.

That impressive display was just the start of the German fandemonium as a sold-out crowd of 18,400 packed the largest hockey arena outside of North America and made the foundation shake throughout the Edmonton vs. Cologne matchup with raucous cheering.

"The fans like to be loud, they like to bring their drums and just chant the whole game," said Tobias Rieder, the other German on the Oilers roster who grew up in Landshut, about a five-hour drive from Cologne.

One of the loudest crowd eruptions came when Draisaitl set up his fellow countryman Rieder for the game's opening goal, paving the way for a thrilling 4-3 overtime victory for the visiting squad from Edmonton. Some Oilers players had prior experience with European crowds, having played in IIHF events earlier in their careers, but they were still blown away by the boisterous supporters.

"That was one of my favourite hockey memories to date," said Ryan Strome, who scored the game-winning goal with a crafty redirect during the sudden-death frame. "It's great for the game and great to see how much they love their team here... It's not every day we get that kind of experience, so we made sure to soak it in."

"The fans were unbelievable," echoed the team captain McDavid. "It was a fun environment to play in. They were loud. I'm sure the game and the score helped that. They were really, really fun to play in front of. European fans usually are."

"The atmosphere in the stands, the different emotion in the stands that we don't experience as much at home with the singing and that type of stuff... it was a great experience for our players," added Oilers Head Coach Todd McLellan.

Next stop: Gothenburg for the season opener against the Devils and even more NHL fanfare with not one but two big league teams converging on Sweden's second-largest city. Several hundred enthusiasts flocked to the Scandinavium for New Jersey and Edmonton's open practices the day before their game -ahealthy mix of Oilers fans who live in Europe and those from Edmonton who joined one of the many Global Series tours.

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The Oilers spearheaded one of those tours for fans in the Edmonton area, with Season Seat Holders getting the first opportunity to purchase the Germany and Sweden package. Spots didn't last long, according to OEG Executive Vice President Stew MacDonald.

"We thought, it's our first chance to go over to Europe to kick off a regular season in the franchise's story and there may be a few Oilers fans who may want to go," said MacDonald, who joined the group on the Euro trip. "We partnered with a travel company and thought there might be 20 or 30 seats sold, but we wanted to provide them with the opportunity. Within a day, all 100 seats had been spoken for."

Richard Carignan, an Oilers Season Seat Holder for the last 12 years, was one of the fired-up fans who jumped at the opportunity to cheer on his team abroad while also seeing the sights of Amsterdam, Cologne and Gothenburg.

"Right away we said let's go," said Carignan, sporting his bright orange McDavid jersey shirt during one of the group outings at a Cologne restaurant and beer hall. "We love watching the Oilers and this was the trip of a lifetime. We didn't want to miss it."

For some Oilers fans on the trip, the chance to have an international experience with their team was supplemented by some meaningful personal connections.

"It's been a dream of mine to watch them play in Sweden," said Mary-Lou Sinclair, another Oilers Season Seat Holder. "My ancestors are from Sweden and we are such Oilers fans so we didn't think twice about this opportunity."

No matter how far they travelled to be there or what their motivations were, Oilers fans were out in full force at both NHL Global Series games, providing their team with a home-away-home-ice advantage.

"You look at it from both sides," said MacDonald. "It's cool to be here and have European fans wearing their Oilers jerseys who are following the team and fans of the team from thousands of miles away. But to have this many fans say hey, this is going to be my vacation this year, I'm going to jump on a plane, come over to see a bit of Europe but be there for two games for the Oilers and, most importantly, the regular season kick-off, really feels good for not just us as an organization, but even the players have commented extensively about it, having the orange jersey in the stands in both of these cities."

Unfortunately for the Swedish Oilers players, the team wasn't able to cap off the trip with a win over the Devils — in front of 12,000+ at the Scandinavium — but they didn't let the result sour an experience they wouldn't have even imagined possible a short time ago.

Klefbom and Larsson agreed the NHL's popularity in their home country has skyrocketed since they entered the league, due in large part to increased online accessibility to games and highlights.

"It's crazy... if we would have come here even five years ago, Connor wouldn't be that big like he is today," said Klefbom, shortly after the comical interaction with the diminutive Oilers fan Isak. "It's crazy to see how big of an impact social media has had and how easy it is now to see highlights, to see games online. It's crazy how fast the league has just exploded over here."

Neither Klefbom nor Larsson watched a big league game in its entirety until they traveled to North America for their respective World Juniors experiences, Larsson in Buffalo in 2011 and Klefbom in Edmonton and Calgary the following year.

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The blueliners said when they were growing up it was much tougher for people in Europe to be fans of the NHL, considering the majority of games were contested in the wee morning hours local time.

"I did not follow the NHL too much to be honest with you," admitted Larsson. "When you're a kid, you're kind of looking up to the local hockey players. Or that's what I did, at least. Our hometown team. NHL was so hard to see on TV, being up at night. You just didn't do that as a kid. I didn't get into the NHL until I was probably 15 or 16.

"The NHL is getting more popular over here the last couple of years. Nowadays, it's so much easier to watch highlights and games."

"Back in the day, you couldn't stay up all night to watch an NHL game and then go to school," added Klefbom. "That was probably the biggest difference. I would have probably seen a lot of NHL games if it was like today and you had the option to stream the games whenever you want.

"It's not the same nowadays. Young players are looking up to Connor, Crosby, Ovechkin. We didn't really do that. It was so hard for us to follow."

Klefbom said his childhood hockey heroes played just down the road from him, rather than across the Atlantic Ocean.

"If someone asked me when I was younger, 'If you could dream a little, where do you see yourself in a couple years?' it was not the NHL," he said. "It was Färjestad, my hometown team. That was the deal. But the older you got, the more you learned about the NHL, the big league overseas. It was so far away but then when you start getting older and playing with the national team and getting more information about what's happening overseas, you start figuring out, "that's where I want to be, that's where I want to end up."

NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly spoke in Cologne as the Oilers played their Global Series Challenge game against Peter Draisaitl's club. He said the league is committed to engaging with more international fans and introducing the NHL to fledgling hockey markets.

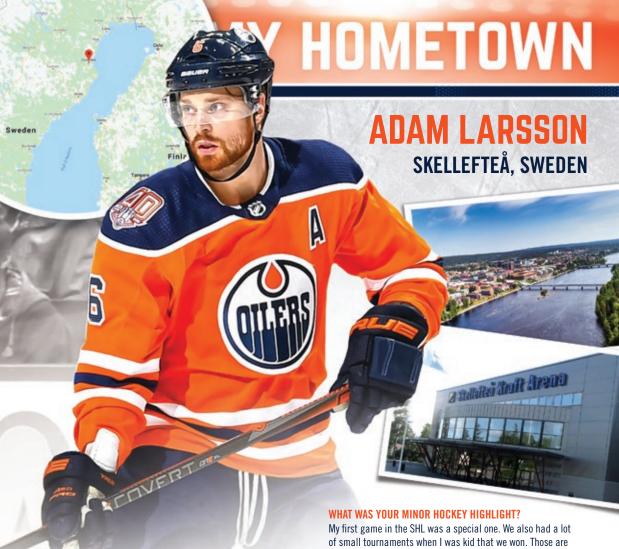
"The buzz that a National Hockey League team and a National Hockey League game can create can do a lot for the sport, can lift the sport, can lift the importance and relevance of the sport," said Daly.

"There are markets where hockey is relevant and significant but may not be the most popular or among the most popular sports. And then there are markets where we want hockey to be relevant and we want to kind of plant the seeds."

It's only a matter of time until there are mini fans like Isak Axelsson all over the world, cheering on their favourite hockey team from afar and hoping to one day have a chance encounter with their hockey heroes.



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#### HOW DID YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARRIVE IN SKELLEFTEÅ?

It's a lot of generations of my family in that city. As far as I've been looking back, we've either been in that city or some of the smaller cities around Skellefteå.

#### WHAT IS YOUR SKELLEFTEÅ MINOR HOCKEY STORY?

I was so lucky to have been able to live at home with my parents and play for my hometown team ever since I started playing hockey. I was able to stay in Skellefteå for under-18, under-20 and then the SHL. It worked out pretty good for me.

FACT:

LARSSON, SELECTED FOURTH OVERALL IN 2011, IS THE HIGHEST OF FOUR FORMER FIRST-ROUND NHL DRAFT PICKS TO PLAY FOR SKELLEFTEÅ AIK, JOINING MATS LINDGREN (15TH OVERALL, 1993, WINNIPEG), DAVID RUNDBLAD (17TH OVERALL, 2009, ST. LOUIS) AND TIM ERIXON (23RD OVERALL, 2009 CALGARY).

My first game in the SHL was a special one. We also had a lot of small tournaments when I was kid that we won. Those are moments I'll probably never forget with some of my buddies from my childhood.

#### WHAT IS SKELLEFTEÅ'S MOST FAMOUS LANDMARK?

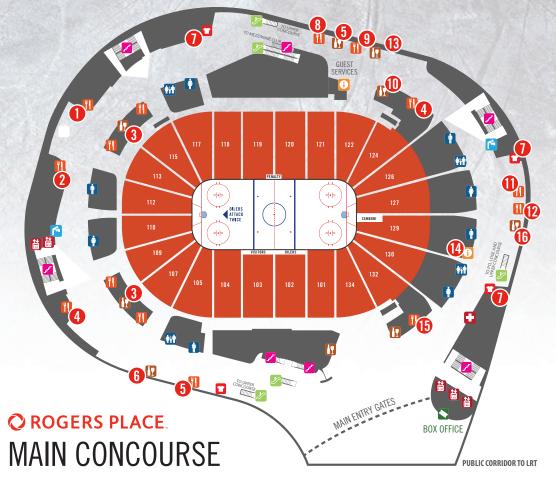
Hockey is very big in that city so the most famous landmark is probably Skellefteå Arena. When it's game day, everyone knows. It's also way up north so there's lots of trees all around the city.

#### WHAT DID YOU DO FOR FUN AS A CHILD?

We played all different kinds sports... lots of soccer, tennis and floor bandy, which is basically floor hockey but you use a plastic ball with holes in it.

#### DO YOU STILL SPEND ANY TIME THERE?

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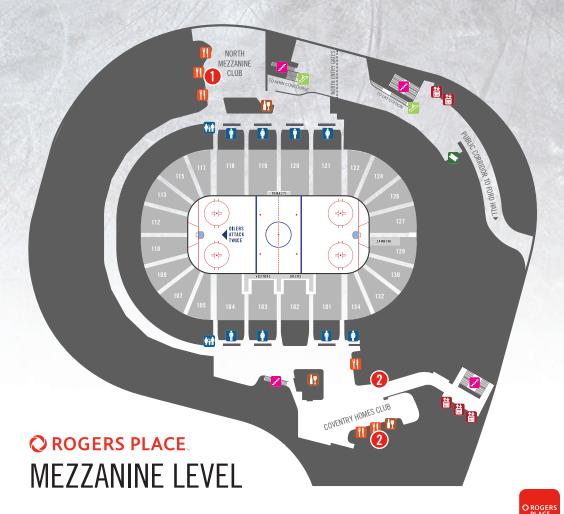
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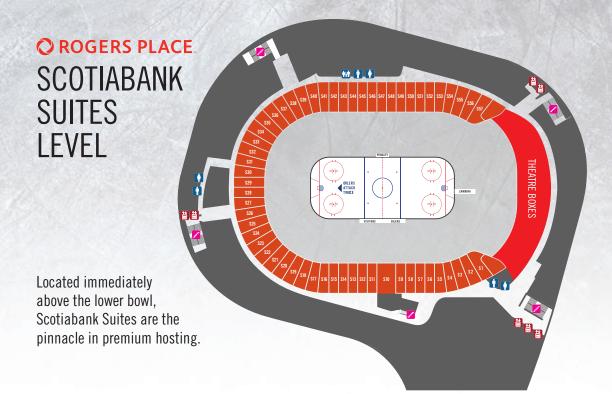
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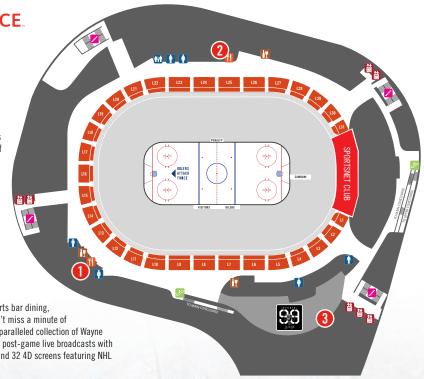
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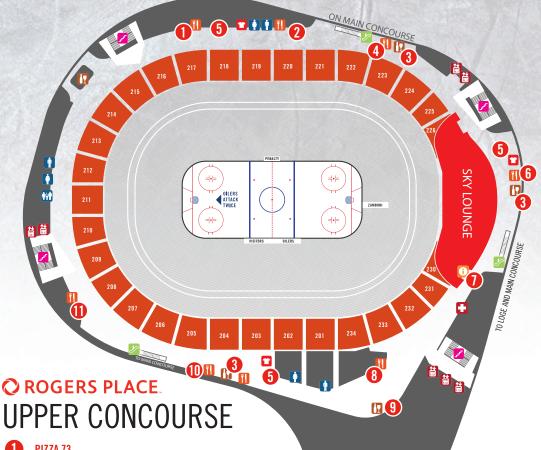
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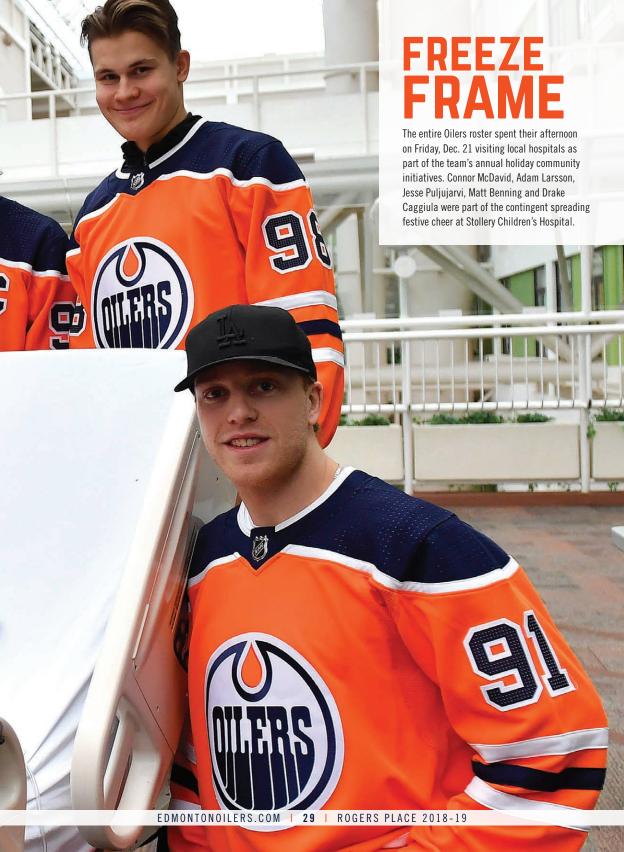
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The New Year's Eve clash marks the conclusion of the three-game season series between the prairie rivals, and it will also be the rubber match as Edmonton emerged with a thrilling 5-4 overtime victory on Oct. 16 in Winnipeg before the Jets got their revenge with a 5-4 OT win of their own, also on home ice on Dec. 13. The Jets held a 4-1 lead on the Oilers through 40 minutes in their first meeting, but the visitors scored three times in the final frame before Darnell Nurse delivered the sudden-death winner. Connor McDavid scored twice with two assists in the comeback effort, while Ryan Nugent-Hopkins assisted on four of the team's five tallies. Adam Lowry scored twice for Winnipeg in the defeat. When the teams last met 18 days ago, it was the Oilers who led 4-3 through two periods, but Mark Scheifele tied the game in the third and set up Josh Morrissey's OT winner.

#### PLAYERS TO WATCH

JUJHAR KHAIRA has had a massive month of December, scoring two goals and six assists in 10 games prior to serving a two-game suspension for a cross-check he delivered on Dec. 18 against the St. Louis Blues. The 24-year-old forward recorded five assists in his first 23 games of the season, but he's thrived under Head Coach Ken Hitchcock and will look to close out his productive month with one more matchup on tap tonight vs. Winnipeg. One of Khaira's goals this month came against the Jets on Dec. 13 as he redirected a Jesse Puljujarvi pass to tie the game at 3-3 in the middle frame. Khaira had a big December last season as well, scoring five of his 11 goals in the first 11 games of that month.

BLAKE WHEELER embodies the season of giving as he currently ranks third in the NHL in assists with 43 in 37 games to go along with his five goals, slotting him second on the Jets in points this year. Winnipeg's captain has been a model of consistency over the course of his NHL career, scoring 23 or more goals and 61 or more points in each of the past five seasons. The 32-year-old seems to be getting better with age as his most productive campaigns have been his last three, highlighted by career-best totals in assists (68) and points (91) during the 2017-18 season. Wheeler finished eighth in voting for the Hart Trophy last season, earning one first-place vote and a pair of second-place votes.



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#	# NAME I		SHOOTS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE					
8	TY RATTIE	RW	R	6' 0"	183	FEB 5, 1993	CALGARY, AB, CAN					
16	JUJHAR KHAIRA	LW	L	6' 4"	212	AUG 13, 1994	SURREY, BC, CAN					
22	TOBIAS RIEDER	RW	Ls	5' 11"	186	JAN 10, 1993	LANDSHUT, DEU					
23	RYAN SPOONER	C	L	5' 11"	191	JAN 30, 1992	OTTAWA, ON, CAN					
27	MILAN LUCIC (A)	LW	L	6' 3"	231	JUN 7, 1988	VANCOUVER, BC, CAN					
28	KYLE BRODZIAK	C	R	6' 2"	205	MAY 25, 1984	ST. PAUL, AB, CAN					
29	LEON DRAISAITL	C	+ L	6' 2"	208	OCT 27, 1995	COLOGNE, DEU					
39	ALEX CHIASSON	RW	R	6' 4"	208	OCT 1, 1990	MONTREAL, QC, CAN					
44	ZACK KASSIAN	RW	R	6' 3"	211	JAN 24, 1991	WINDSOR, ON, CAN					
73	VALENTIN ZYKOV	LW	R	6' 0"	220	MAY 15, 1995	ST. PETERSBURG, RUS					
91	DRAKE CAGGIULA	LW	L	5' 10"	176	JUN 20, 1994	PICKERING, ON, CAN					
93	RYAN NUGENT-HOPKINS (A)	С	L	6' 0"	184	APR 12, 1993	BURNABY, BC, CAN					
97	CONNOR MCDAVID (C)	С	L	6' 1"	193	JAN 13, 1997	RICHMOND HILL, ON, CAN					
98	JESSE PULJUJARVI	RW	R	6' 4"	201	MAY 7, 1998	ALVKARLEBY, SWE					

#### **DEFENCE**

#	NAME	SHOOTS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE
2	ANDREJ SEKERA	L	6' 0"	200	JUN 8, 1986	BOJNICE, SVK
4	KRIS RUSSELL	L	5' 10"	170	MAY 2, 1987	CAROLINE, AB, CAN
5	KEVIN GRAVEL	L	6' 4"	211	MAR 6, 1992	KINGSFORD, MI, USA
6	ADAM LARSSON (A)	R	6' 3"	208	NOV 12, 1992	SKELLEFTEÅ, SWE
10	CHRIS WIDEMAN	R	5' 10"	183	JAN 7, 1990	ST. LOUIS, MO, USA
13	JASON GARRISON	L	6' 1"	218	NOV 13, 1984	WHITE ROCK, BC, CAN
25	DARNELL NURSE	L	6' 4"	221	FEB 4, 1995	HAMILTON, ON, CAN
77	OSCAR KLEFBOM	L	6' 3"	216	JUL 20, 1993	KARLSTAD, SWE
82	CALEB JONES	L	6' 1"	194	6 JUN 1997	ARLINGTON, TX, USA
83	MATT BENNING	R	6' 1"	203	MAY 25, 1994	EDMONTON, AB, CAN

## **GOALTENDERS**

#	NAME	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE
19	MIKKO KOSKINEN	6' 7"	202	JUL 18, 1988	VANTAA, FIN
33	CAM TALBOT	6' 4"	196	JUL 5, 1987	CALEDONIA, ON, CAN

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President & Vice Chair OEG	Bob Nicholson
Vice Chair OEG / Alternate Governor	Kevin Lowe
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Assistant General Manager	Keith Gretzky
Vice President, Player Personnel	Duane Sutter
Vice President, Player Development	Scott Howson
Director of Salary Cap Management	Bill Scott

Director of Player Personnel	Bob Green
Head Coach	Ken Hitchcock
Assistant Coach	Glen Gulutzan
Assistant Coach	Trent Yawney
Assistant Coach	Manny Viveiros
Goaltending Coach	Dustin Schwartz
Goaltending Development Coach	Sylvain Rodrigue
Video Coach	Jeremy Coupal
Skating Coach	David Pelletier

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# NAME PO		SHOOTS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE						
ANDREW COPP	C L 6'1"		206	JUL 8, 1994	ANN ARBOR, MI, USA							
BRANDON TANEV	LW	L	6' 0"	180	DEC 31, 1991	TORONTO, ON, CAN						
17 ADAM LOWRY C		ADAM LOWRY C		L	6' 5"	210	MAR 29, 1993	ST. LOUIS, MO, USA				
BRYAN LITTLE	NOV 12, 1987	EDMONTON, AB, CAN										
19 NIC PETAN LW L			5' 9"	179	.79 MAR 22, 1995 DELTA							
BLAKE WHEELER (C) RW R 6' 5"		6' 5"	225	AUG 31, 1986	PLYMOUTH, MN, USA							
NIKOLAJ EHLERS	NIKOLAJ EHLERS LW L (		6' 0"	172	FEB 14, 1996	AALBORG, DNK						
JACK ROSLOVIC	С	C R 6'1" 18		187	JAN 29, 1997	COLUMBUS, OH, USA						
PATRIK LAINE RW R		R	6' 5"	206	APR 19, 1998	TAMPERE, FIN						
BRENDAN LEMIEUX	LW	L	6' 1"	210	MAR 15, 1996	DENVER, CO, USA						
MARK SCHEIFELE (A)	С	R	6' 3"	207	MAR 15, 1993	KITCHENER, ON, CAN						
KYLE CONNOR	LW	L	6' 1"	182	DEC 9, 1996	SHELBY TWP., MI, USA						
MASON APPLETON	С	R	6' 2"	193	JAN 15, 1996	GREEN BAY, WI, USA						
MATHIEU PERREAULT	LW	L	5' 10"	188	JAN 5, 1988	DRUMMONDVILLE, QC, CAN						
	ANDREW COPP BRANDON TANEV ADAM LOWRY BRYAN LITTLE NIC PETAN BLAKE WHEELER (C) NIKOLAJ EHLERS JACK ROSLOVIC PATRIK LAINE BRENDAN LEMIEUX MARK SCHEIFELE (A) KYLE CONNOR MASON APPLETON	ANDREW COPP  BRANDON TANEV  LW  ADAM LOWRY  C  BRYAN LITTLE  C  NIC PETAN  BLAKE WHEELER (C)  NIKOLAJ EHLERS  JACK ROSLOVIC  C  PATRIK LAINE  BRENDAN LEMIEUX  MARK SCHEIFELE (A)  C  KYLE CONNOR  LW  MASON APPLETON  C	ANDREW COPP C L BRANDON TANEV LW L ADAM LOWRY C L BRYAN LITTLE C R NIC PETAN LW L BLAKE WHEELER (C) RW R NIKOLAJ EHLERS LW L JACK ROSLOVIC C R PATRIK LAINE RW R BRENDAN LEMIEUX LW L MARK SCHEIFELE (A) C R KYLE CONNOR LW L MASON APPLETON C R	ANDREW COPP C L 6' 1" BRANDON TANEV LW L 6' 0" ADAM LOWRY C L 6' 5" BRYAN LITTLE C R 6' 0" NIC PETAN LW L 5' 9" BLAKE WHEELER (C) RW R 6' 5" NIKOLAJ EHLERS LW L 6' 0" JACK ROSLOVIC C R 6' 1" PATRIK LAINE RW R 6' 5" BRENDAN LEMIEUX LW L 6' 1" MARK SCHEIFELE (A) C R 6' 3" KYLE CONNOR LW L 6' 1"	ANDREW COPP C L 6' 1" 206 BRANDON TANEV LW L 6' 0" 180 ADAM LOWRY C L 6' 5" 210 BRYAN LITTLE C R 6' 0" 191 NIC PETAN LW L 5' 9" 179 BLAKE WHEELER (C) RW R 6' 5" 225 NIKOLAJ EHLERS LW L 6' 0" 172 JACK ROSLOVIC C R 6' 1" 187 PATRIK LAINE RW R 6' 5" 206 BRENDAN LEMIEUX LW L 6' 1" 210 MARK SCHEIFELE (A) C R 6' 3" 207 KYLE CONNOR LW L 6' 1" 182 MASON APPLETON C R 6' 2" 193	ANDREW COPP C L 6'1" 206 JUL 8, 1994 BRANDON TANEV LW L 6'0" 180 DEC 31, 1991 ADAM LOWRY C L 6'5" 210 MAR 29, 1993 BRYAN LITTLE C R 6'0" 191 NOV 12, 1987 NIC PETAN LW L 5'9" 179 MAR 22, 1995 BLAKE WHEELER (C) RW R 6'5" 225 AUG 31, 1986 NIKOLAJ EHLERS LW L 6'0" 172 FEB 14, 1996 JACK ROSLOVIC C R 6'1" 187 JAN 29, 1997 PATRIK LAINE RW R 6'5" 206 APR 19, 1998 BRENDAN LEMIEUX LW L 6'1" 210 MAR 15, 1996 MARK SCHEIFELE (A) C R 6'3" 207 MAR 15, 1993 KYLE CONNOR LW L 6'1" 182 DEC 9, 1996 MASON APPLETON C R 6'2" 193 JAN 15, 1996						

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#	NAME	SHOOTS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE
5	DMITRY KULIKOV	L	6' 1"	204	OCT 29, 1990	LIPETSK, RUS
6	CAMERON SCHILLING	L	6' 2"	182	OCT 7, 1988	CARMEL, IN, USA
7	BEN CHIAROT	L	6' 3"	219	MAY 9, 1991	HAMILTON, ON, CAN
8	JACOB TROUBA	R	6' 3"	202	FEB 26, 1994	ROCHESTER, MI, USA
33	DUSTIN BYFUGLIEN (A)	R	6' 5"	260	MAR 27, 1985	ROSEAU, MN, USA
44	JOSH MORRISSEY	L	6' 0"	195	MAR 28, 1995	CALGARY, AB, CAN
57	TYLER MYERS	R	6' 8"	229	FEB 1, 1990	HOUSTON, TX, USA
70	JOE MORROW	L	6' 0"	196	DEC 9, 1992	EDMONTON, AB, CAN
83	SAMI NIKU	L	6' 1"	176	OCT 10, 1996	HAAPAVESI, FIN

### **GOALTENDERS**

#	NAME	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	DATE OF BIRTH	BIRTH PLACE
30	LAURENT BROSSOIT	6' 3"	204	MAR 23, 1993	PORT ALBERNI, BC, CAN
37	CONNOR HELLEBUYCK	6' 4"	207	MAY 19, 1993	COMMERCE, MI, USA

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Assistant Coach	Charlie Huddy
Assistant Coach	,
Assistant Coach	Todd Woodcroft
Video Coach	Matt Prefontaine
Director, Player Development	Jimmy Roy
Assistant, Player Development	Mike Keane



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STA	ATS AS (	OF DEC.	28, 2018	3			15								
PLAYER	GP	G	A	Р	+/-	PIM	PPG	PPP	SHG	SHP	GWG	OTG	S	\$%	F0%
CONNOR MCDAVID	35	19	33	52	4	12	6	17	0	0	5	1	120	15.8	46.6
LEON DRAISAITL	36	17	26	43	4	16	4	13	0	0	4	2	93	18.3	49.75
RYAN NUGENT-HOPKINS	36	12	21	33	-6	12	3	13	1	1	1	0	102	11.8	43.34
ALEX CHIASSON	30	16	4	20	6	14	5	6	1	1	0	0	50	32	36.36
DARNELL NURSE	36	5	11	16	-6	34	1	2	0	0	1	1	90	5.6	0
OSCAR KLEFBOM	31	3	12	15	1	8	1	6	0	0	2	1	93	3.2	0
JUJHAR KHAIRA	33	2	11	13	2	32	0	0	0	1	0	0	29	6.9	44.68
ADAM LARSSON	36	1	10	11	-2	24	0	0	0	1	0	0	51	2	0
DRAKE CAGGIULA	28	7	3	10	-6	14	0	0	1	1	2	0	49	14.3	26.67
KRIS RUSSELL	31	1	7	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	3.6	0
MILAN LUCIC	36	1	6	7	-9	37	1	3	0	0	0	0	39	2.6	44.44
MATT BENNING	31	1	6	7	3	19	0	1	0	1	0	0	39	2.6	0
TOBIAS RIEDER	23	0	7	7	-2	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	43	0	27.27
KYLE BRODZIAK	34	3	2	5	-8	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	35	8.6	51.32
JESSE PULJUJARVI	25	3	2	5	-6	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	10	66.67
TY RATTIE	20	2	2	4	2	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	34	5.9	33.33
ZACK KASSIAN	33	2	1	3	-4	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	5.9	0
RYAN SPOONER	16	2	1	3	-4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	11.1	45.28
KEVIN GRAVEL	21	0	2	2	-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	0
JASON GARRISON	17	1	0	1	1	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	16	6.3	0
CALEB JONES	4	0	1	1	-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
CHRIS WIDEMAN	3	0	1	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
VALENTIN ZYKOV	4	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GOALTENDER	GP	GS	W	L		T O	T	SA	GA	GAA	5	5 5	SV%	<b>SO</b>	MIN
MIKKO KOSKINEN	18	17	11	5		0	1 5	44	41	2.34	503	3	.925	3	1,052
CAM TALBOT	19	19	7	10		0	2 5	556	59	3.21	497	7	.894	0	1,103

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		NAT P	(0. c)						STATS	S AS OF	DEC. 28,	2018			10
PLAYER	GP	G	Α	Р	+/-	PIM	PPG	PPP	SHG	SHP	GWG	OTG	S	<b>S</b> %	F0%
MARK SCHEIFELE	37	22	27	49	16	24	7	15	0	1	5	3	96	22.9	47.46
BLAKE WHEELER	37	5	43	48	7	27	0	18	1	1	0	0	103	4.9	42.31
PATRIK LAINE	37	23	7	30	-8	22	10	12	0	0	3	0	133	17.3	45.45
KYLE CONNOR	37	13	15	28	-3	6	6	10	0	0	2	0	110	11.8	0
DUSTIN BYFUGLIEN	31	4	24	28	5	52	1	15	0	0	1	0	88	4.5	0
NIKOLAJ EHLERS	37	15	12	27	8	13	1	6	0	0	3	0	92	16.3	50
JOSH MORRISSEY	35	4	17	21	5	12	2	7	0	1	2	1	59	6.8	0
BRYAN LITTLE	37	6	14	20	-5	14	2	3	0	0	2	0	61	9.8	52.41
MATHIEU PERREAULT	37	8	7	15	0	12	3	5	0	0	1	0	53	15.1	55.26
JACOB TROUBA	37	3	12	15	11	24	1	1	0	0	1	1	69	4.3	0
BRANDON TANEV	37	7	6	13	3	28	0	0	1	1	0	0	56	12.5	66.67
ADAM LOWRY	35	6	5	11	0	13	0	0	1	2	2	0	53	11.3	57.84
TYLER MYERS	37	3	7	10	6	39	0	3	0	0	0	0	63	4.8	0
BEN CHIAROT	37	3	4	7	0	36	0	0	0	1	1	0	43	7	0
JACK ROSLOVIC	36	2	5	7	-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	8	44.25
ANDREW COPP	24	2	2	4	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	8	59.57
BRENDAN LEMIEUX	22	1	1	2	-1	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	6.7	25
MASON APPLETON	13	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	6.7	0
NIC PETAN	13	0	2	2	-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	62.5
DMITRY KULIKOV	16	0	1	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
CAMERON SCHILLING	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
JOE MORROW	19	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	0
SAMI NIKU	5	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
GOALTENDER	GP	GS	W	ı	L	Т	OT	SA	GA	GAA	1	s :	SV%	SO	MIN
LAURENT BROSSOIT	10	9	8		1	0	1	342	21	2.11	. 32	1	.939	1	597
CONNOR HELLEBUYCK	28	28	16	10	)	0	1	867	79	2.91	. 78	8	.909	0	1,630



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5 J. GAUDREAU, CGY	3 COLORADO	38	19	13	6	44	19	130	117	+13	8-5-3	11-8-3	0-1	3-6-1	L3
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1 A. OVECHKIN, WSH 2	29 1 CALGARY	38	23	12	3	49	23	131	104	+27	11-4-3	12-8-0	0-2	6-3-1	W1
2 J. SKINNER, BUF 2	26 2 SAN JOSE	39	20	12	7	47	20	128	117	+11	12-4-4	8-8-3	0-3	6-2-2	W1
3 G. LANDESKOG, COL 2	24 3 VEGAS	40	21	15	4	46	20	119	113	+6	12-3-3	9-12-1	1-1	5-2-3	W1
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5 D. PASTRNAK, BOS 2	23 WILD GARD 1 ANAHEIM	39	19	15	5	43	16	97	113	-16	10-4-5	9-11-0	3-2	5-5-0	L4
ASSISTS	2 DALLAS	38	19	16	3	43	19	101	102	-10	11-5-1	8-11-2	0-0	4-6-0	W1
	44 3 VANCOUVER	40	18	18	4	41	17	121	102	-6	9-9-1	9-9-3	1-2	7-2-1	W1
,	44 4 EDMONTON	37	18	16	3	3 <b>9</b>	17	104	115	-11	10-7-1	8-9-3	1-2	5-4-1	L4
,	43 5 MINNESOTA	36	17	16	3	37	17	105	104	+1	10-7-1	7-10-0	0-1	3-6-1	L1
	38 6 ST. LOUIS	35	15	16	4	34	15	100	115	-15	9-9-2	6-7-2	0-1	6-3-1	W2
5 C. MCDAVID, EDM 3	35 7 ARIZONA	37	16	19	2	34	14	94	103	-13	7-10-1	9-9-1	2-0	3-7-0	L1
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# HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER

BY JESSICA KENT

AS KIDS, MANY OF US COULDN'T WAIT TO GROW UP AND LIVE OUT OUR CHILDHOOD DREAMS.

For youth fighting for their life at the Kids with Cancer Society, they're forced to grow up too fast.

"I don't know too many adults who can take on what these kids take on. It's so beautiful to watch," said Melissa Bandi, mother to Ava DeGannes, a 13-year-old battling cancer. "I think the worst part as a parent is you can't help them, and you have to answer questions like, 'Will I die?'"

"These kids become adults very quickly," explained Val Figliuzzi, Executive Director of the Kids with Cancer Society. "A lot of them endure in a very short period of time what adults won't ever have to face, and they take it in stride."

Taking it in stride with hope on their mind.

"Hope is the one thing that's stronger than fear because it's the happiness and strength in everybody," DeGannes continued. "It gives people the will to keep moving forward."



Over the last 20 months, DeGannes fought off osteogenic sarcoma - a type of bone cancer - with tumors continuing to appear in her lungs.

On Sunday, Nov. 18, she dropped the ceremonial puck at the Oilers game against the Vegas Golden Knights as part of the team's Hockey Fights Cancer festivities in conjunction with the NHL-wide initiative throughout the month.

"I'm done chemo treatment, that's why these luscious locks have grown back," joked DeGannes while brushing her fingers through her brunette curls. "I've been through an eight-hour surgery, a knee replacement, four lung surgeries, chemo, biopsies... literally name anything and I've probably been through it."

Oilers defenceman Darnell Nurse escorted her to centre ice, where captain Connor McDavid was waiting to take the ceremonial faceoff before embracing her with a hug.

DeGannes was beaming as she received an emotional standing ovation from the capacity crowd at Rogers Place.

"That was literally the best moment of my entire life!" she exclaimed as she walked with her cane to her mom after the puck drop.

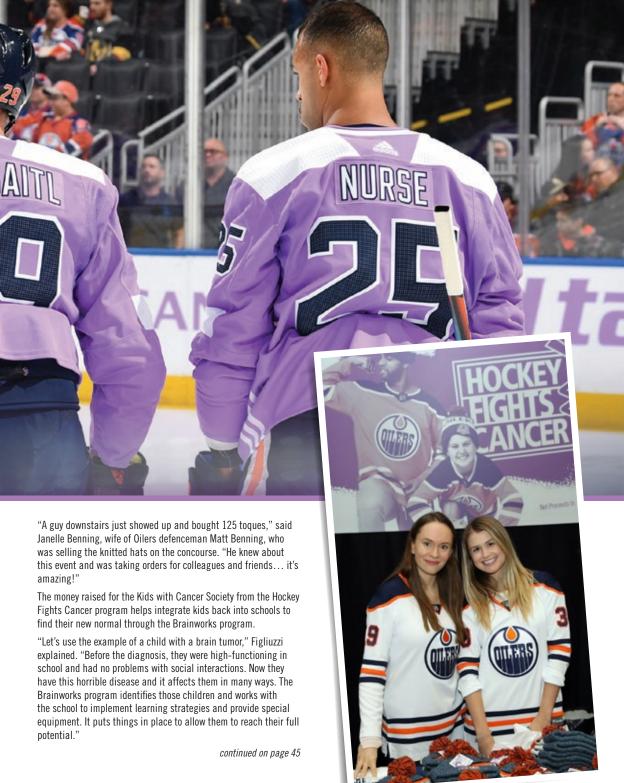
"She's been through so much, so to just feel the support of the entire arena was pretty spectacular," Bandi said.

For the better part of the last decade, Hockey Fights Cancer has been providing much-needed funds and awareness for the Kids with Cancer Society and the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation (EOCF).

This year, Oilers 40th anniversary toques were sold on the concourse for \$20 and fans purchased all 5,000 before the first period had ended.

The amount of support the event gets from Oil Country is always inspiring to Figliuzzi.

"From our perspective, we feel so much gratitude for this event," she said. "The EOCF saw the potential in this program and really allowed us to grow it into what it is today."



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cancer."

For DeGannes, and the many other kids just like her, they may have to push the pause button on their childhood experiences, but they'll never stop dreaming of what life could look like.

"I really want to be a pediatric oncologist so I can help the kids that I once was."





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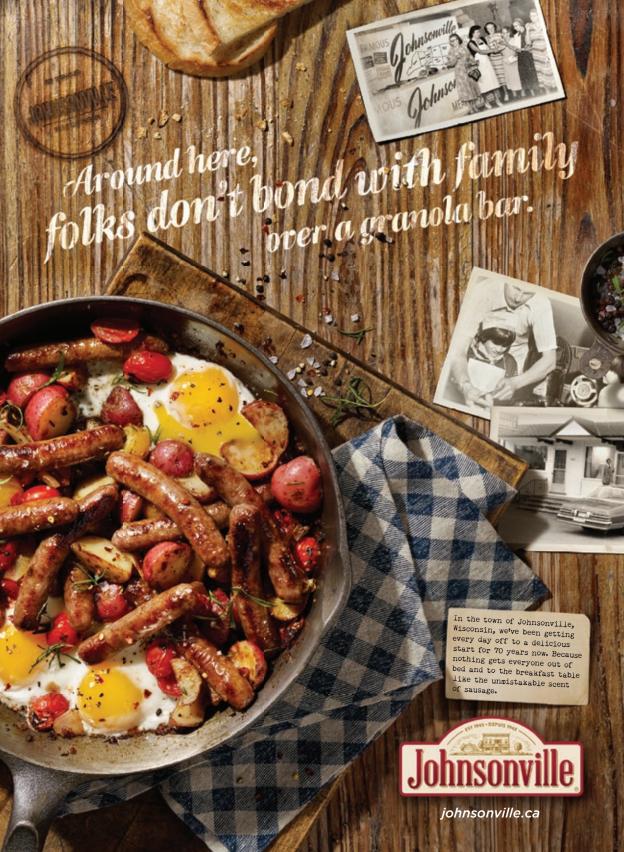
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In addition to the emotional ceremonial faceoff, Hockey Fights Cancer's signature colour, lavender, was evident throughout Rogers Place at the Nov. 18, with rink boards and in-bowl lighting. Oilers players also used lavender tape during warmup and donned special Hockey Fights Cancer helmet decals during the game.

For the first time, Oilers players took to the ice in lavender warmup jerseys, which will be available for auction via OilersFoundation.ca. Oilers management and coaches showed their support by wearing the official lavender Hockey Fights Cancer ties and pins. The 50/50 beneficiary for the night was the Canadian Cancer Society, and local charities who assist in the fight against cancer were also invited to attend the game.

Oilers and Golden Knights players also honoured their cancer heroes and causes as they held up "I Fight For..." cards during the pre-game ceremony. The crowd joined in to shine a light on the cause and Rogers Place fell silent for a moment of support.





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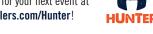




#### **HUNTER SPOTLIGHT**

Our lovable lynx Hunter had quite an exciting first two months of the season! On Saturday, Oct. 20, he got to meet acclaimed film-maker, actor and comedian Kevin Smith. Hunter celebrated Halloween at our Tuesday, Oct. 30 game by dressing up as Elvis. Throughout the month of November, he grew a moustache in support of Movember and donned a special lavender jersey for Hockey Fights Cancer on Sunday, Nov. 18.

Book Hunter for your next event at **EdmontonOilers.com/Hunter!** 





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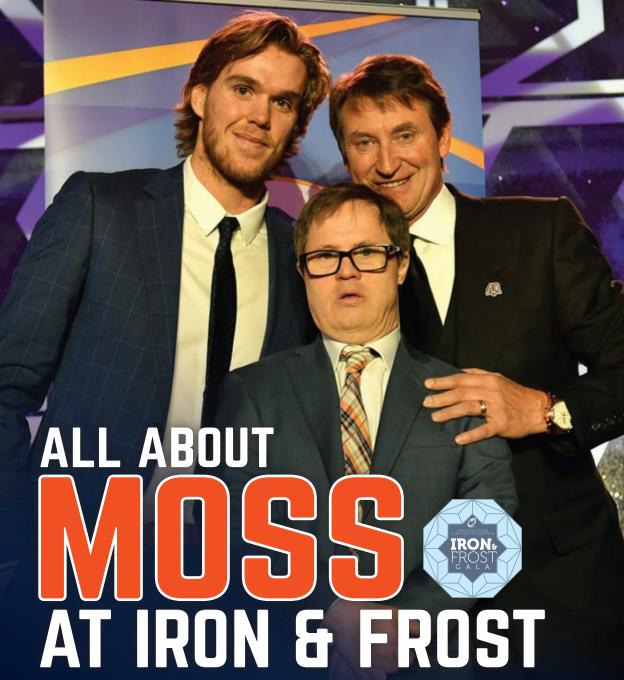




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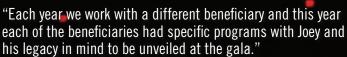


BY JAMIE UMBACH

OILERS DEFENCEMAN ADAM LARSSON REVEALED THE INSIDE OF HIS JET-BLACK BLAZER, SHOWING HIS NAME EMBROIDERED ABOVE THE POCKET ON THE LEFT SIDE SURROUNDED BY A POCKET WATCH PATTERN OF GOLD AND BLACK.

The momentous occasion of honouring Joey Moss, who has been a staple in the Oilers dressing room for 35 years, required an extraspecial touch.

"I actually got it today, so I would say it's a special suit for a special night," Larsson said. "Every time he walks into the locker room, everyone gets in a good mood. He brings a lot of happiness and a lot of fun moments, and I think just seeing how happy he is around the team makes everybody smile a bit more."



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**COREY SMITH, EOCF** 

The Swedish blueliner was among Oilers alumni, players and special guests at Rogers Place on Thursday, Nov. 15 as members of the best-dressed crowd in the city for the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation's second annual Iron & Frost Gala, this time in support of the Edmonton Down Syndrome Society (EDSS) and Special Olympics Edmonton (SOE).

In honour of the icon's 35 years with the organization and 55th birthday, Joey's commitment to the team and the community were celebrated at the event. The glamorous, Vegas-style evening included dinner and hot-stove interviews in Ford Hall with players and alumni, a silent auction and a casino on the ice surface with players dealing cards and rolling dice at the blackjack, poker and craps tables.



specific programs with Joey and his legacy in mind to be unveiled at the gala."

The night's fundraising will be used to create the Special Olympics Edmonton Joey Moss Invitational Floor Hockey Tournament and the Edmonton Down Syndrome Society Joey Moss Literacy Centre for Excellence.







Oilers legend and Hockey Hall of Fame member Wayne Gretzky, who was instrumental in welcoming Joey to the Oilers family 35 years ago, spoke to the support Edmontonians and the hockey club have shown throughout the years towards notable causes and members in their community.

"Edmonton has always been a front-runner in regards to doing special events," Gretzky said. "One of the great things about the city and the Oilers organization is that they've always reached out, so this is a wonderful night for Special Olympics [Edmonton] and of course for people like Joey. It's a night we can all get together and raise a lot of money and awareness.

"At the end of the day, it's really tremendous the current team will be a part of this event. For them to take the night out and be a part of this night makes it all worthwhile. For the older players, it's nice for us to come in and have a reunion."

Moving to the casino floor on the ice surface of Rogers Place, players took to their positions at their respective tables with guests flocking to them with chips in hand. Oilers captain Connor McDavid drew a big crowd at the craps table throughout the night.







"People don't really get the game, but we're having fun anyway." joked McDavid. "But it was a great event. Obviously it's something that touches very closely to my heart and the team's heart having Joey in our room, so it was a really fun night and it's great to see him have such a great night."

Goaltender Cam Talbot, despite being one of the dealers, was more on the side of the participants.

"I'm dealing blackjack and it's going really well for me, unfortunately for the unlucky people that came here," the Oilers netminder quipped. "I like to see the table win.

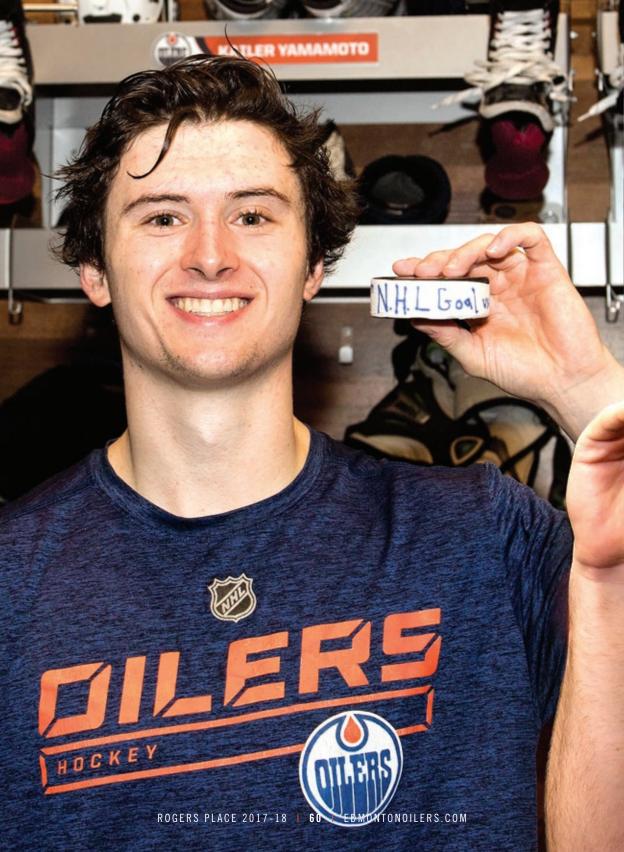
"This is a great event and has been a lot of fun these past few years. It's something we look forward to every year getting to interact with people and have a little fun doing it."

Cam's wife Kelly is an EOCF board member and echoed her husband's sentiments on the evening.

"We're so lucky we get to be a part of this," she said on behalf of the Oilers Ladies. "We get to dress up, the guys get to dress up. It's so fun, such a great cause and everyone is having such a great time."

For the Moss family, this year's Iron & Frost Gala was yet another example of the mutual admiration and partnership the Oilers have had with Joey over the past 35 years.

"He's just had so much support and love," his brother Stephen said. "Our family is so blessed to have been brought up in Edmonton, It's such a fabulous community for support."





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#### BY ALYSCIA WARNER

The Edmonton Oil Kings are off to their best start in modern franchise history, and that team success has come hand-in-hand with some individual achievements by a number of players.

Two players in particular have shone bright through the opening months of the season, and their play has not only garnered them the opportunity to play on the international stage, they excelled while doing so.

Sixteen-year-old rookie forward Jake Neighbours leveraged his potent offensive start to the season by being named to one of three Canadian squads at the World Under-I7 Hockey Challenge in Quispamsis and Saint John. New Brunswick.

A member of Team Canada White, the Airdrie native was dubbed captain of the team prior to the start of the tournament. He registered three goals and six points in five games played, guiding the team to three straight wins out of the gate before they dropped a 4-3 heartbreaker in a shootout to Finland in quarterfinal action.

Although coming up short from his ultimate goal of winning for his country, his time at the tournament certainly wasn't for naught as he gained valuable experience against other nations' top talent, and saw his leadership skills grow larger.

By mid-November, his work ethic and tenaciousness had him near the top of the WHL's rookie scoring race, and earned him occasional ice time on a line alongside his captain here in Edmonton, Trey Fix-Wolansky.

Fix-Wolansky has also seen his fair share of international attention through the opening months of the season as the 19-year-old, homegrown Edmonton product was named to Team WHL for the Canada-Russia Series in early November. He earned an assist on the game-winning goal of Game 1, helping the team earn a split against Team Russia.

The tear he's been on as a member of the Oil Kings this season has been nothing short of remarkable to watch, as he led all WHL players in points at the mid-mark of November producing at better than a two-points-pergame pace.

The Columbus Blue Jackets draft pick may be diminutive in stature at 5-foot-7, but what he lacks in height, he more than makes up for in determination, grit and downright blue-collar attitude as the winger has made himself the talk of the town – and the Canadian Hockey League – with his results.

With players like Fix-Wolansky and Neighbours turning heads the way they are, the Oil Kings are a team that hockey fans can't afford to miss this season. ▶



PRE-SEASON PRE-SEASON

### 2018-19 SEASON SCHEDULE

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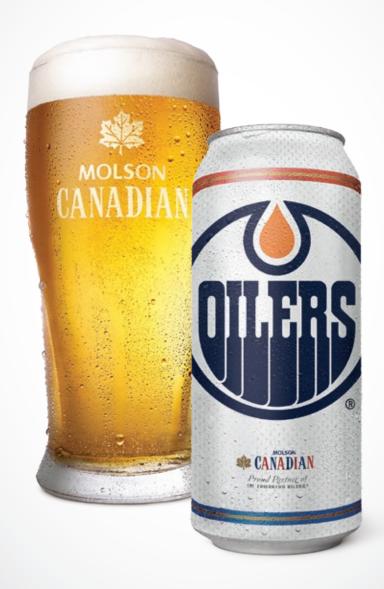
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