

Luke

What is up everyone? Welcome to the die by the blade podcast where Josh and I sit down and talk about everything buffalo hockey. I'm the host Luke, the other guy. My screen is my co host, Josh, I want to get right on into another JAM PACKED episode.

Josh, what is up? How are you? Hi, Ben, we took a week off. We got a little busy. Yeah, we

Josh

took an all star break ourselves because we in fact, are all stars. No, I'm just kidding. I'm doing pretty good. I'm really tired because I'm working the morning shift at work right now. Like I'm covering for somebody and the past two days. I've gotten up at 350 in the morning, uh, yeah, it sucks. And I have to do that tomorrow and Friday, too. And then I have to get up at seven on Saturday and six on Sunday, but then all about the grind. But then Monday I get off kind of I have a basketball game later that night that I have to do, but I get to sleep in. So that's what matters. Um, other than that, it's been great. I've been having a grand old time watching the Olympics every morning. That's the one perk of waking up at the crack of dawn is watching the Olympics, even if they are in a nuclear wasteland. Um, that is a

Luke

okay. Okay, really quick, really quick. You know, this is a hockey podcast. We're gonna talk about some of the cons. Yeah. With their freestyle skiing location.

Josh

Yeah, that was a really bad pick on their part. I know. They kind of got to spread it around the country. But come on, you could have picked a different spot.

Luke

It I saw I saw a great meme of it. And it was just the Simpsons intro. Anyway, that's how the olympics are going apparently, real quick

Josh

before we get to more of that Olympic stuff, because we do have a quick little thing to hit here. Luke, how are you doing?

Luke

Uh, you know, like I said, we took a week off to go also break ourselves because we were swamped with work. As you heard from Josh, myself. It's an everyday occurrence. I get at least three phone calls a day minimum, minimum. Yes, I noticed that seem like a lot. But that's minimum, even on my days off, so I'm off today. And I got about seven today. So it's fine.

Josh

It's always fun. It's fun, isn't it?

Luke

Yeah. I'm not even supposed to be in charge yet. But that's besides the point. Because we're here to talk some hockey and that's where we're gonna gonna get into but I believe Josh, I think has some kind of question

Josh

for me first. Yes. So this question came into my head earlier this morning while I was at work watching the Denmark, Czech Republic. I think that's who was playing this morning Denmark in Czech Republic. And it came to me because I saw a familiar name. And it also kind of is perfect timing because Melissa Burgess wrote an article not too long ago on the day by the play website that you should go check out called savers prospects and alumni to watch at the Olympics because own power and Devin Levi are there but there are also some former savers. And now I pose the question to my co hosts, Lucas Seeley who are the former Sabres that are in the Olympics right now and can you name their teams? They're on

Luke

dude I know are 1234567

Josh

of them. Nope, sorry six. I can't count

Luke

It's okay. How many of them do I like legitimately No.

Josh

Oh you know all of them they are from there the farthest one back is from six years ago I got everyone else everyone else is doing the last within the last three years.

Luke

I have one minimum and that is Eric stall playing for Team Canada

Josh

that is correct. Nobody else really give me

Luke

I need I need give me the give me their countries give me the

Josh

Germany Germany has to Czech Republic has to Canada has won with Eric stall and Russia has won

Luke

not i It's not max. I know Max. ain't there no shot. No. I mean, we thought he could probably still could.

Josh

He's still playing the K hl. Exactly.

Luke

Okay, so Germany is Derek Roy there for some unknown reason.

Josh

Why would who would be there for no.

Luke

Germany Germany. Oh, Dominic Cahoon?

Josh

Yes, there you go.

Luke

Okay, so I got two out of what 7662 out of six I um,

Josh

three of them are former savers within the past three years. Two of them were sabers last year

Luke

where's the So Russia Germany so

Josh

right now you have to Czech Republic a Germany and a Russia

Luke

can check who's from the Czech?

Josh

They surprised me honestly. I didn't know they were check from check. You know, I just tell you
Yeah, I'm

Luke

I'm out the other

Josh

German Tobias reader. Ah, I

Luke

see that one I might say I like

Josh

Tobias reader. I'm a upset that he left. Vladimir Sobotka Czech Republic I

Luke
thought he was Sweden. I thought

Josh
he was Russian. But anyway, Michael for leak check okay,

Luke
so I was gonna say Sobotka but I thought he was Sweden. That's why I didn't

Josh
Nope. Michael Furyk Czech Republic and the golden boy from 2011 McKell Gregor Ranko

Luke
forgot for Russia Miko as a thing.

Josh
So yes, there are six former sabers currently in the Olympics two current Well technically current sabers on power. Who's the third?

Luke
Is it is Rosen not playing with Sweden?

Josh
If he is I haven't seen him on any rosters. Um, yeah, that guy needs to get to the NHL right now because you know he needs actual playing time. One other thing that I noticed while looking through these teams to find our former beloved Buffalo Sabres, Finland is stacked with former NHL players. They have Mikko Ientinan Sami Vatanen, Valtteri, Filppula Marcus Granlund Leo Komarov like that team. All those guys right there are like a year removed from the NHL. That is a fantastic team, but they're not working out so well on the ice. Another fun one, Team China, who the US is playing tomorrow morning at eight in the morning for any of those wondering. Bet the over if you are a

Luke
Josh Hey, Josh over under 10 goals scored

Josh
over 20 But no, I don't think it's gonna be that bad, but the over under on FanDuel at least I think is six. So hammer the over, um, but China has only six actual Chinese players. The rest are Canadian and American. Jake Chelios. You know that last name. Chelios, the son of Chris Chelios. Yeah, he's apparently Chinese and playing for the Chinese national team in the Olympics. And you want to know why, because this team is the coolin Redstar team of the K gel. That is, all of these guys are from that team. Jeremy Smith, former NHL er Jake Chelios, as I

said, Son of Chris Chelios former NHL, or, I'm Ty Schultz, most likely former NHL or So yeah, that's a little interesting. But it does, you know, work out for Olympic rules, because they are residents of China. Which is interesting. I didn't know that was how it worked. Because in the World Cup for soccer, for example. You have to be have heritage in that country or have fun, like,

Luke

role for the Olympics, too. I thought so too. But I guess I wonder. I wonder if it's citizen. I wonder if they're all citizens, they are

Josh

well, they are tech they are citizens because they play for that team and they have to get paid by China. Her well,

Luke

they're citizens of that country. Which music right for that country?

Josh

Right. So like I said, in the World Cup. Usually it just goes back to your heritage. But sometimes it's national or its citizenship ship as well.

Luke

Olympics is Citizenship Now that nobody Yeah, yeah,

Josh

so yeah, so like I said, the Chinese team is mostly not Chinese. But good news for the US even though there are some former NHL players on there. coolin Redstar is the worst team in the K hl. They have won nine of 38 games this year. I'm a follow is that you? Yeah, right. They are the Buffalo Sabres of the K hl. So gonna be a fun game tomorrow for the US team. Probably going to see Mason McTavish and what's his name? Madison years just tear it up. But the real fun game that Sabres fans will want to watch his any team Canada game, because we will definitely see Oh, and power and maybe see Devin Levi in these Canada games. And Canada plays Germany tomorrow at eight in the morning, and they also play the United States on Friday, I believe at 11 o'clock at night.

Luke

So God dammit,

Josh

yeah, I'm set

Luke

I'll watch the replay Set your

Josh
DVRs or if anyone still use them set your VCRs um,

Luke
I mean, and Canada also takes on to Germany tomorrow at the same time as just takes on try that. Yeah, you did not mention Germany. I did. In fact say you mentioned Germany but okay.

Josh
All right. Whatever. Anyway, oh, I'll look back and I'll make fun of you in post edit.

Luke
It's fine. It's fine. So yeah, so the

Josh
Sabres prospects getting going former savers players, like I said, go check out that article Melissa wrote about the former Buffalo Sabres in the Olympics. But other than that, that's our little Olympic wrap up the US isn't doing too good. They only got they don't have that many medals yet. They just won their first gold today though. So that's great. Good for them. Hopefully they win a hockey goal a couple hockey goals. The women's team is doing pretty well I hear

Luke
they did lose to Canada in the prelims I did watch a very good game Japan

Josh
one their group which was cool. Japan one group B for women's hockey. Good for that.

Luke
I'd love to see it. I'm already you know, everyone already knows though. It's gonna end up being for women's hockey at least USA vers Canada. Nice see 99% chance that's gonna be that for the gold medal game.

Josh
I think Sweden has a chance

Luke
they have a chance but to make us because don't US Canada teams are just so fast. And so when

Josh
did those two teams meet those question? Do they meet before the gold medal around?

Luke
No, there they they make the brackets purposely purposefully so that US and Canada are facing gold medal games for both men's and women's? Well, that's no we do it. Oh, man.

Josh

Yeah, men's. They're in the same group right now. But I mean, so technically, they could have one could have been knocked out. But the other the other teams in the group are let me

Luke

see. I've got a US Canada us for the women's is one and two of their groups. So they're moving on.

Josh

Right so the men's group is Canada, China, Germany and the US so theoretically Germany could have pulled something off there. But I don't believe they did also Germany's coaches finish I don't understand how that works either. Less and China's coaches Italian that's the last I'm gonna say on it.

Luke

Yeah, okay. We can get into the logistics of the Olympics and what nationality these people actually are. But that's not our job that's well above our pay grade. So we get back down to our break paygrade and move off the Olympics and the Sabres hockey is back tomorrow. Yay. Before the all star break you saw them go down for one to Colorado and five to to Vegas. I'm not really shocked about it. Anderson Tokarski are both back and not though.

Josh

Yeah. Which is interesting. And it's very nice to see. Alex talk scored a goal and is returned to Vegas, which was nice. Who scored the other goal? That game? I couldn't tell you.

Luke

I don't remember. I

Josh

can't remember. It's so long. I haven't worked for that game too. I think it was John hate John Hayden. It was John Hayden because he deflected it in front of them that I

Luke

remember. There was Hayden I

Josh

know it was John Hayden. I don't remember. Um, so the Sabres go back or have been back to practice for a couple days now. They take on Columbus tomorrow night at seven. Columbus played last night and they came back against Washington but I think they lost. So Columbus looking to bounce back Sabres looking to just kind of get back into the groove here.

Luke

Columbus Columbus who won last night again. Oh, Washington. Interesting before that's fun and regulation. Oh, wow.

Josh

Okay, so they're coming in hot. Uh, but ya know, the Sabres coming back. Have a couple injuries coming back. Oh, co packer, Luke ihnen. has been back to practice, but he will not be playing tomorrow night. Don Granado said that, I think yesterday, but he clarified it for sure today. I'm Casey mittelstadt is back to practice in a yellow non contact jersey. Kind of just getting back into the swing of things making sure injury is gone for good this time. Of any history. hinostroza is close to coming back. He is like he was at practice yesterday and left early. So he's like right there, but he's not fully healed yet. Um, honestly, that's like the biggest things from the Sabres injury front. That's the biggest changes I should say. And as we said, Tokarski and Anderson are back but there's not really any movement. Jack Quinn is almost back to practicing. But he or he's almost back to skating. I should say not back to not close to practicing yet.

Luke

Yeah, there's, there's there's like at least some good news coming from the injury front and the fact that as we saw Anderson's back and Tokarski is back as well. So that's very good news to see up.

Josh

How's this? How's there should be out of COVID protocols? I think he actually went down to Rochester, so I shouldn't so should be back to playing down there and pretty soon

Luke

yeah, and as we saw paying, grabs him to samisen come back up, if the all star break ending so they'll be back in the lineup. Not many changes during ces mittelstadt. Probably back with the next two weeks hinostroza limped off practice, but nothing went to worse than his injury. So who knows at this point?

Josh

Honestly, I want mittelstadt to stay.

Luke

Oh yeah, I want almost another month.

Josh

I kind of want him to wait until after the trade deadline not for purposes of a trade or anything obviously but just to be healthy. and just that's like in the next date in the NHL.

Luke

Yeah, like I said another month.

Josh

Yeah, yeah, pretty much. Oh, deadlines that close. Yeah, yeah of the Midwest to start cooking up a trade deadline episode coming up soon. To a couple of those. That'll be fun. I don't even I don't even know

Luke

where I'd be a lot of questionable trades from both of us. Probably mainly from Joshua. I just put that out there for y'all. Ouch. Um, I am I wrong?

Josh

Who has the better franchise and chill anyway? Oh, no. So, Rasmus. Darlene had himself a little bit of a fun weekend in Vegas. Did he not?

Luke

Yes, he very much did. He did he ended up winning the Nike shooting contest.

Josh

He was in force.

Luke

Ah, he finds out so pretty. He felt

Josh

quickly because I mean, everyone before him was just everyone everyone before him was not very good and everyone after him, like I think, no, they didn't hit him for four but they were very very quick. I don't remember who ended up winning and there was a hoe who hit as a surprise for for four and like 12 seconds which is nuts.

Luke

It was funny because I saw I saw a video I saw the video of it and I saw comments with it saying like those passes were mad slow and I'm looking at I watched video again I'm like they were kind of slow, competent dolly will do probably once those passes a little bit faster.

Josh

doline did hits four targets on six shots in about 17 seconds. So that was like, like I said it was good enough for fourth place in the accuracy shooting challenge, which is good. I mean, it's good to see him get involved and it's good to see him get out there. Um, but like he this is this is these kinds of experiences are good for players. In a situation like this on teams that are in the situation like the Sabres are where the seasons done pretty much and you're just kind of playing to get better for next season and try to get chemistry with your group. And this is like a good like stress relief for guys like Dolly, especially at a young age like that to wear a lot of pressures on him. He gets to spend a lot of time with these veterans around the league and stuff like that.

Luke

Oh, yeah, most definitely. It's definitely a good chance his first All Star game, and even players his own age. Yeah. And it's such a good opportunity, a fun weekend to get away from the game, quote unquote, a little bit. You're more there to have fun, show off your skills and whatnot. And we saw we saw some of that in probably my favorite competition in the All Stars challenge. Yeah. Because it's the competition that in reality means the least and it's just guys going out there and having fun and doing dumb shit to try to score on a goalie, including one that's done some crazy shit this season already in Trevor's eagerness. The fact that that average Joe blindfolding himself doing some weird stuff with the puck and just getting it around in blind football, dodge balls are being thrown at him. You just love to see it. The NHL

Josh

wanted him in the All Star game so bad. They were literally just like, hey, man, we're inviting you for a special event. Bring your A game like he wasn't even picked as a last man in he wasn't. Or was he? I don't think he was picked as an all star.

Luke

Oh, who else would go from Anaheim? Troy Terry went

Josh

ah,

Luke

ah. Oh.

Josh

Let me let me let me do this. Well, Troy, Terry has had one heck of a season as well.

Luke

Yes. But Trevor's egress. Well, but

Josh

see, I don't know. I don't know. This is Oh, John Gibson. John Gibson was the first like D selection and then someone either dropped out or Troy Terry was voted as the last man in so there was no opportunity for

Luke

Troy Terry was voted as the last man and now that

Josh

Yeah, yeah. So yeah,

Luke

I mean, they do that though. They pull some guys for just the competition's themselves.

Josh

Yeah, yeah. Oh, not always. They've done

Luke

it in years past especially when they want a certain player there for said competition.

Josh

Yeah, that's Yeah. Yeah. Trinitarian John Gibson. So John Gibson was the original selection and like I said, I think someone dropped off

Luke

No, Trey was last was voted last man in Oh, okay. Yeah, yeah, try to avoid last minute but I got Zeger is just doing unbelievable stuff. Yeah and and all star game

Josh

and the chemistry between him and Jack Hughes. Like if those two aren't on a team at some point in their careers. It will be a travesty to the game of hockey but it'll be so much fun to watch them against each other.

Luke

Yes, but again, I've Desi grace is bounds ahead of us.

Josh

Yeah, in the skills in the skills Yes. I think I think he uses more of a leader

Luke

in a way I could see what you're saying with that

Josh

he's just seems like one of those one of those guys that you could go to as like a boy Yeah. But yeah, Zegers just looks like he's like the clown of the locker room makes it easy he's

Luke

the kid having fun oh yeah he cuz he's a kid having fun

Josh

yeah and now we see why we couldn't get him as a piece of a Jack Eichel trade he would have been VPs in the jungle train.

Luke

Yeah. And I'm made it made a smart choice there in my opinion.

Josh

But hey, this is this is just proof to show that in a few years when the Boston's of the league and the admin 10s of the league well admin things kind of still down in the dumps but when those teams that have been around forever start to fall off teams like Anaheim, la hopefully buffalo Florida like they're gonna start betting Florida is already good but those teams that drafted well and have all these exciting prospects they're going to start getting more of the limelight whereas teams like Boston Pittsburgh teams that are getting older they're going to start their rebuilds which is interesting to see

Luke

anymore the spotlight What did I say? Limelight no Limelight is for the people that are like second class. Oh, spotlight is oops, these guys

Josh

like I said I'm very tired my brain is on like 20%

Luke

are beyond the limelight right now. The Sabres are Yeah, they're below the limelight that's that's that's where we fall into. Um, I want to I want to I want to talk about this so with with Darlene you know, coming from the all star game back to the Sabres organization, they have a game tomorrow, like, Do you think he's bringing like he got he was able to talk to some of the veterans there and get some advice to bring back to his team even to kind of again continue to change ship and what? You know what we've expected in Buffalo Sabres for the past couple years.

Josh

I think so because, I mean, you look at some of the other veteran players that were there that he would play with. Just look at the Atlantic roster. I mean, he's playing with Steven Stamkos. He's playing with doster has evicted awesome and it

Luke

was there. I don't think he ended up. I don't remember. I didn't watch any All Star game.

Josh

I don't think and I didn't get a chance to either, because I was busy as well. But, um, but no. Yeah. Like, like Victor hadn't been right there. That's all you really need to say like,

Luke

Well, yeah, and Victor Hammond has already come out has been asked in interviews like, Oh, what are your thoughts Valley and he's like, he's gonna be he's gonna be a great player in this league.

Josh

Yeah. And and I mean, Victor Hedman is not really an outspoken guy. Not to say that that's super outspoken, but like, that's not something that usually comes from a guy like Victor Hedman. So that's, I personally take a lot of stock in that. Um, so the Atlantic Division that

Darlene played with was Patrice Bergeron, Jonathan Huberdeau, Dylan Larkin Austin Matthew Steven Stamkos, Nick Suzuki, British Chuck Victor Hedman, Jack Campbell and Andre Vasilevsky.

Luke
lost me and Nick Suzuki.

Josh
There was only two defenseman that they play threes. All right, you're right. You're right. You're right. Yeah, so the two defenseman were Darlene and Hetman, which that's like we said, it's very good company to be in.

Luke
That's a scary defensive core if dallies on top of his game.

Josh
Yeah, but one thing that I noticed was, you see in some of the pictures and just in the highlights, he played a lot with Dylan Larkin, and it looked like those two kind of like clicked a little bit. Dylan Larkin is going to be a free agent soon. We're

Luke
not getting done like, Detroit is not moving. Dylan Larkin.

Josh
What if Detroit doesn't want to resign? Or what if Dylan Larkin doesn't want to resign to Detroit?

Luke
Detroit's heading upwards? There's no real Larkin, Larkin. He's

Josh
always like, 25. I thought he was older than that.

Luke
Now he is Detroit.

Josh
That's fair. Yeah. That's right. No, he's still got a year left. He's got a year left after this year. Larkin has 44 points in 42 games. It's i I'm looking. I'm looking.

Luke
You're a little too optimistic. But that one,

Josh
I'm looking miles ahead here, but like, yeah, like you said, I'm a little optimistic there. But

Luke

lacking is Detroit. And there's no doubt that Eisenman wants them around for a long time

Josh

right and it's but it's still good for him to like it's still good for d'alene develop relationships with these guys you can train with them in the offseason them and just become one of the guys you know, like that's kind of like what this all star game helps young players do. And it's even like you even look around like the rest of the all star teams. I mean, some of the other defenseman Adam Peleg, Zach Werenski Roman Yossi Kale McCard and Alex Betray Angelo, like that. Those are good guys to be around. Also, Alex Betray Angela was the only defenseman for the Pacific.

Luke

One exam No, no think about the Pacific. It makes sense.

Josh

Yeah, I guess you're right. Yeah. I mean, if they're doing it by cap space, it makes a lot of sense. But

Luke

uh, honestly, I think that there's a lot of good information that DeLeon God is gonna be able to bring back. And again, it's not something we're gonna see immediately.

Josh

Not even necessarily just information, just confidence to Yeah. And like, like I said earlier, like a sense of like, relaxation, not relaxation, but just like, you're you're rested. You're, you're, you took some time off, you know, like, you had that time to just go have some fun. I mean, I saw just other savers in general Dylan Cousins. And I think, I can't remember who it was. It was Dylan Cousins. And like two other players. They took a fishing trip down in like, Florida or Mexico or something. Like, I don't I don't know who was with him, but I know Cousins and two other Sabres went, so that's cool. I mean, good to see the guys bonding off the ice like that. Speaking of Dylan Cousins, it's his birthday today. He's finally 21 Good for him. Wow, he's 21 That's crazy.

Luke

Yeah, I saw that today and it kind of hurt my soul a little bit

Josh

but didn't hurt my soul made me happy means that young and he's this good already. So

Luke

ya know, I was looking at it from just a pure age perspective.

Josh

Oh no. Yeah,

Luke

I That hurt my soul a little bit like I know I'm only three years older than him but like it still bothers me a little bit. Yeah, where he's at and I'm at where I'm at

Josh

OKC Middlesex the same age as me.

Luke

Yeah, yeah. Almost over half this roster right now is probably younger than I am and I'm only 24 and that kind of hurts me.

Josh

Yeah, that makes sense. Cuz Yeah. I mean, like he can Okposo Skinner talk. That's Millard ogre

Luke

is same age as me

Josh

think he's 23 I don't it doesn't matter

Luke

order by again but very very young team and it kind of hurts my soul a little

Josh

but ya know So one other thing that with Darlene here is I heard Granado say today he said to Darlene when he came back he said Look kid like like he had a talk with him pretty much he just had a nice conversation where we said look you're a legit all starting out you are selected for a reason. Like no disrespect to any of the previous all stars the Sabres fan selected like Jack Eichel is a great example. He is an all star. But like when Girgensons was selected, he looked like an all star Yes, but that was because we were one of the worst. We were the worst team in NHL history pretty much Girgensons was great that first year had 30 points in a lockout season. But you compare him to the rest of the All Stars that you see in this selection this year. And he that that year's zemgus Girgensons wouldn't make any of these teams so I think that it shows that the Sabres have a legitimate all star again. I mean they like I said they didn't Jack Eichel but now that Michaels gone they still have one and I think they have multiple to be honest. I mean stage Thompson was the last man in candidate

Luke

I'm sure I'm sure you know say he was we got him at being a year and he was healthy. We talked about for all star game he probably won't be for next season honestly.

Josh

Yeah, I'll talk

Luke

Jupiter eventually and cousins probably will be too.

Josh

Yeah, so and power eventually at some point. Maybe even Devin Levi, what if we get a goaltender back at the All Star game? First one since Ray Miller. Also cool bit about Darlene. He is the first defenseman since Brian Campbell to be an all star

Luke

for the Sabres for the same reason. Sorry. Um, no, it's fun to see. And honestly, before we get into Sabres look ahead for this next week. Last thing I want to say in the All Star break was my favorite moment. From the all star break from the All Star Weekend was Steven Stamkos. his interview with his son. Yeah, that was I haven't seen it. Please go watch it. It is so adorable. His son ruined the interview by continuously saying he wanted to go see this. Oh, he made it better. No, no, they finish which made Sam good to be like, Yeah, we're gonna go see the SAM Zamboni. I'm leaving. It's great. It's great. You just love to see it. And that was one of the things I love All Star Weekend is just it's just for fun. Yeah, families and friends just coming together and playing some hockey together.

Josh

Right? That's like the good the cool part of all star weekend's for like any sport, honestly, like, I mean, it's just to see like how these people are not when they're not in the zone. I mean, we see

Luke

they're not under not under the pressure that they are in normal game. It's like, Hey, don't play an all star game. Okay?

Josh

Right. Yeah, they're just having fun with it. They're doing more crazy things. Real quick before we, before we bounce to the week ahead, I just wanted to do a quick prospects update for the Rochester Americans. Mateus Samuelsson in his 23 games that he's been down there because he's been up and down, has 13 points pretty good for a defenseman or two rooster lineman who was sent down a little while ago. 13 games played 13 points. So he's definitely taking that send down of like, Hey, don't take this as a bad thing. Take this as a good thing.

Luke

Because like, if he can stay on this trend, he'll become a very fordable. So explain bottom six player.

Josh

I made a mistake. I was very confused because I didn't see Jack Quinn or JJ Patrika on here. I was looking at

Luke
the NHL. Well, no, I was looking

Josh
at the last year statistics because for some reason, it just went to that tab. So that makes a lot more sense. Thank you. Okay, there it is. Yeah, so Jack Quinn has 35 points in 24 games, but like Luke said, he's technically in the NHL. He is injured as well. But JJ Pataka is not injured. Still playing 34 games played 34 points. That's a really and he has a no he does not. He has a shooting percentage of 100% this is incorrect.

Luke
Yeah, I'm gonna say that that's wrong. Yeah, no. 10%

Josh
Oh, I'm sorry. No, he is 100% shootout percentage. Ah, so two for two in the shootout for JJ Patrika. Along with that, Linus. We Spock. guy out of Wisconsin. 31. games played 20 points. Okay, first game or first year in the HL two. So good for him. Spectable are two Ristolainen actual statistics. 22 games played 17 points.

Luke
And like I said, very affordable. Third Fourth line guy bottom six player,

Josh
right? Yeah. Um, no other real prospects to look at here. I mean, it's kind of hard to tell because everyone's been so up and down. And this has literally everyone who's been on this team on the rosters. So it's hard to tell sometimes. But Michael Marsh still leading the team 39 points in 40 games. Good for him. He's a real leader down in Rochester too.

Luke
I'm just more questioning how he's anyway. Moving on. Moving on love to see that the A is still putting it together. I believe they're still being their division down there. Maybe not. I forgot about the goaltending struggles they're having because they struggles.

Josh
They are third in the North Division. They're still in a playoff spot. Yeah, they're behind the Toronto Marlies and Utica comets. They're only two points behind the Marley's, but they are a lot of points behind the comments. And they're 10 points ahead of the low ball rock. So they have a lot of cushion room and they're pretty close to second. So hopefully we'd like to see them make it and then obviously probably Quinn Patrika.

Luke
will cry down there. You'll see you'll see Quinton crabs go and Samuelsson go back down in the playoffs.

Josh

Honestly even UPL probably maybe yeah, depending

Luke

it's probably bullshit like that then yeah,

Josh

I don't see I don't think he would have to yet um, I don't think so either. It's only a second after

Luke

the deadline so like I don't remember how but with a look ahead for some of these Sabres games before we get out of here. Like I said, Columbus tomorrow night Thursday, seven o'clock at home. I see a win out of that.

Josh

What's your prediction? Score predictions go

Luke

score prediction for three buffalo okay.

Josh

Now the next game that we have on the schedule besides that one is against the New York Islanders actually or I'm sorry Montreal Canadiens yes well 30 on Super Bowl Sunday Yeah.

Luke

Sunday luckily for those that you know want to watch Super Bowl and make themselves sad here in Buffalo and watch Joe burr take on Matthew Stafford you can see your beloved Sabres take on Montreal before that at 1230

Josh

Yeah, hopefully they'll win um What's the what's

Luke

actually honestly honestly score prediction for this one is five to five to Buffalo just because Montreal is just a dumpster fire. Yeah, they're weird. They're just got fired their head coach in a tank season so good job Montreal.

Josh

year a year removed from the Stanley Cup final Honestly, let's just take a moment and laugh at the Toronto Maple Leafs for losing these guys in the first round last year

Luke

and then lastly Tuesday they take on the islanders seven o'clock at home. We knew that's like a three to one loss because it's the islanders.

Josh

I hate how the islanders play so yeah, I agree with you. I hate watching islanders game we

Luke

hate we hate how they play, but they will I mean, not this season, not this season, but usually it does help them win games. Right? Because they do very good defensively. That's true defense wins championships here with that though, we're getting to the end of the die by the blade podcast and Josh What is one thing you are looking forward to in the next week or one thing that happened the past week that you enjoy that's hockey or not hockey related being that we took that week off?

Josh

Um, God I can't even think about the last week it's just kind of a blur for some reason. I'm probably because I'm just dying for sleep right now. But no looking forward. I'm glad to Sabres are back. I mean, I love just I love watching hockey. I don't care how bad they are, how good they are. It's it hockey is hockey. Didn't really know what to watch while the all star game or All Star break was going on. Because there was no games for a week. And that sucked. Um yeah, I don't really have not that I don't have anything to look forward to. But there's not too much coming up. So yeah, just looking forward to get back into hockey and get back into the swing of things.

Luke

How Hello, yeah, hi. Yeah, myself. Um you know, last Saturday I had the nice nice little little date night thing with my parents for dinner with the lady that went down to canal sigh when I skinny so it was nice little date night. And ah, you know, this week I had like, I'm looking forward to the Super Bowl as much as it's gonna pay me to watch. I do want to see what Joe sheisty Joe Berg can do. In a another championship game this this this year for him. Well, not this year. But you know, I know he doesn't lose he just doesn't lose but you know, this is mad staffers year he deserves it. So I'm rooting for him. I just also just don't want to get the narrative Joe baru getting a bowl before Josh Allen so I don't think it'll be next year.

Josh

I was gonna say I don't think it'll be that I think it'll be more Patrick mahomes. But then I forgot, you know, mahomes has won a Super Bowl. So

Luke

he got one. Yeah. But with that, it's been another fun episode of The Dybala Bay podcast. Go check out. Olympic hockey USA China tomorrow, Canada, Germany in tomorrow, Canada, US on Friday. Women's Hockey is also going on. So go check that out. And go Washington Sabres hockey tomorrow night.

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