



# **Buffalo Sabres**

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## **Back to feeling like himself, Sabres' Okposo is back at practice**

The Buffalo News

By John Vogl

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As soon as Kyle Okposo felt the jarring blow to his head, he knew it was another concussion. He'd been hospitalized for one before, so he prepared for the worst.

Thankfully, the worst never came.

"The impact was really hard," the right winger said Friday. "I was just a little dizzy and, 'All right, just take your time, make sure that you're OK.'

"I was OK, then I was just waiting for symptoms to come on. When they didn't and I felt pretty good, I kind of went from there."

Eight days after the March 8 collision with Ottawa's Bobby Ryan, Okposo returned to the ice with his teammates. Though he won't play Saturday when Buffalo hosts Patrick Kane and the Chicago Blackhawks, he won't be spending time in a hospital like he did last spring.

"Yeah, that kind of runs through your mind, you know?" Okposo said in KeyBank Center. "Just, 'Oh, no. I hope it doesn't happen again,' and, 'Here we go.'

"But it wasn't really like that. I didn't have many symptoms. Mood wasn't affected, sleep wasn't affected, so I saw the people that I needed to, and I'm feeling good and ready to go."

Okposo wasn't the only one worried when he left the game in Ottawa. His trip to a neuro intensive care unit after a concussion and adverse reaction to medication last year sent shockwaves through the NHL, its players and its fans.

"Obviously, my teammates were worried," Okposo said. "I got a lot of texts from people and guys around the league, just wanting to make sure I was OK.

"I'm happy to report that I'm good to go."

The injury occurred out of nowhere. Okposo was skating through the neutral zone, keeping his eye on the Senators' puck-carrying defenseman. Ryan was also skating full speed through the neutral zone, and they hit hard.

"He saw me at the last second, but unfortunately I didn't see him," Okposo said.

The 29-year-old left the game but seemed himself while getting ready to fly home.

"From that night, I just thought he was in a pretty good spot," coach Phil Housley said. "I can see that he's responded really quickly getting back right now, and he's in a good area.

"It's really good to see him out there. He looks great. He's been progressing. This was a first really good step in practice to see where he's at. I really liked what he brought. He was sharp and clean."

The collision was a physical setback in a tough season mentally. With 11 goals, 38 points and a minus-29 rating in 65 games, Okposo is on pace for his worst statistical season in five years and one of the worst of his career.

The time off the ice gave him an opportunity to think.

"Being out a week, I've just been able to reassess the year and where I'm at and where my game's been at," Okposo said. "It was a really good time to just reflect and take some realizations in of what I need to do to get back to where I need to on a more consistent basis."

And what did he learn and realize?

"Maybe in my year-end meeting with you guys I'll share," he said with a smile.

The flicker in his eye showed Okposo really was feeling like himself.

"Obviously, with everything that happened last year, I wasn't going to push it," he said. "I was going to make sure that I was 100 percent and had no ill effects. I'm feeling good and happy to be back."

## **Sabres' Eichel practices again, remains game-time decision**

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Well after most Sabres had left the ice, Jack Eichel was still skating. He wants to get in game shape and play.

He might be ready Saturday against Chicago, but there's just as good a chance he won't be.

The center was a game-time decision after working out Friday. Eichel practiced fully, but he also was talking about the need to avoid further damaging his sprained ankle.

"I felt good," Eichel said in KeyBank Center. "I thought I took another step.

"It's tough. Obviously, as a competitor and a hockey player you want to be out there, and you want to be out there every night. But you also have to make the best decision for yourself and the team."

Eichel, who has been out since Feb. 10, has been talking with General Manager Jason Botterill and the coaching and training staffs about a return.

"Obviously, they don't want me to rush it back and then have another setback," Eichel said. "It's a tough situation, but I'm just trying to take it day-by-day and get to the point where I'm confident in it and feel like I can go out there and make a difference."

Back to feeling like himself, Sabres' Okposo is back at practice

The 21-year-old is looking to last season for help in his decision. He missed the opening 21 games with a high-ankle sprain. He's up to 15 this year.

"Going through it last year, it's a good experience for me, and I thought I took a lot from it and this rehab process," he said. "It's not something you want to rush into and set yourself back and then head into the summer behind the eight-ball."

Despite missing five weeks, Eichel still leads the Sabres with 22 goals and 53 points in 55 games. Buffalo has 12 games left, starting with the 1 p.m. visit by the Blackhawks.

"It was another good practice, a lot of bumping and grinding," coach Phil Housley said. "We'll see how his ankle responds to that."

## **Oh, baby: Sabres' Ullmark is a happy guy**

The Buffalo News

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Linus Ullmark returned to the Sabres after two days away. Part of him was still gone.

The goaltender and his wife welcomed a baby boy named Harry on Thursday. The arrival of their first child had the 24-year-old out of sorts.

"I've just been excited about what's happening on the off side of the ice," Ullmark said Friday. "So for me now coming back, it was a good opportunity to get the feel of it, being a parent and a hockey player at the same time.

"We're on Cloud Nine. What can I say? I'm speechless."

The Sabres recalled Ullmark from Rochester on Tuesday and planned to use him extensively down the stretch. He left at the start of Wednesday's practice, missed Thursday's game against Toronto and will watch Chad Johnson start Saturday against Chicago in KeyBank Center.

Ullmark will get his looks, though. He made one start in January, stopping 44 shots in a 3-1 victory over Columbus. He went back to Rochester as the Sabres started their bye week following the game.

"Luckily for me, I got the opportunity to come back up here, have good practices," Ullmark said. "I'm looking forward if I ever get to start a game."

While Ullmark was back, the Sabres practiced without forward Jacob Josefson and defenseman Rasmus Ristolainen and Casey Nelson because of maintenance days.

## **Sabres' Okposo returns to practice from a concussion**

It's not known if he or Jack Eichel will play Saturday

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Buffalo, NY (WGR 550) - Kyle Okposo and Jack Eichel both practiced fully on Friday, but we still don't know if they'll play Saturday against Chicago. Both players said practice went very well for them, but Okposo only filled in on defense and didn't have a line. Phil Housley said, "He still has to go through the protocol. This was the first step today in practice to see where he's at.

"I really liked what he brought today, he was sharp and clean and we'll see what's in store for him."

Housley wasn't here last year when Okposo had that really bad reaction to a concussion. He said, "That night I thought he was in a pretty good spot and I can see that he's responded really quickly and he's in a good area right now.

"Tomorrow will be another practice for him to get a chance to skate and continue his progression."

Okposo said the hit was just a freak thing where two players didn't see each until the last second. He admitted that when he left the ice, he was thinking about last season, "Yes, that runs through your mind thinking, 'Oh no, I hope it doesn't happen again' and then here we go, but it wasn't really like that, I didn't have many symptoms, mood wasn't affected, sleep wasn't affected, so I saw the people that I needed to and I'm feeling good and ready to get back at it."

Friday was Okposo's first day back on the ice since it happened in Ottawa. He said, "It's just been protocol, precautionary. Obviously with everything that happened last year, I wasn't going to push it and I was going to make sure that I was 100 percent and had no ill effects."

Many fans and teammates were worried about Okposo since we hadn't heard from him. He felt the good wishes, "Yes for sure, my teammates were worried and I got a lot of texts from just people, guys around the league just wanting to make sure I was OK."

Eichel has been on the ice with the team since Tuesday. On playing Saturday Housley said, "We'll re-evaluate that tomorrow, we'll see what the day brings.

"It was another good practice, a lot of bumping and grinding and we'll see how his ankle responds to that, so we'll know more further on into today and tomorrow morning."

Eichel has done a lot this week as he's the last guy off the ice on a daily basis. He said, "I'm trying to get back in shape, get my hands back to where I want them and just my overall game I think.

"It's not super easy to get it all back and it takes some time, so I'm just trying to do the right things."

Eichel seems to be on board with being careful not to return too soon. He said, "It's not something that you want to rush back from and set yourself back and then head into the summer behind the eight ball."

Eichel's competitive nature wanted him back playing Thursday against Toronto, but he knows that wouldn't have been the best decision. He said, "You want to be out there and you want to be out there every night, but you also have to make the best decision for yourself and the team. I've been talking with the trainers and coaches and Jason (Botterill) obviously doesn't want me to rush it back and then have another setback."

Robin Lehner left practice early, but Housley claims it's a maintenance day. He also said it was the same for Rasmus Ristolainen and Jacob Josefson who both missed practice.

Housley announced that Chad Johnson will get the start in goal against the Hawks.

On Saturday, join Brian Koziol for the pregame show at noon when he'll be joined by Phil Housley, Kyle Okposo, Jack Eichel and Linus Ullmark.

In the first intermission, Koziol will be joined by Western New York Olympic Gold Medalist Emily Pfalzer. The former captain of the Beauts will drop the puck in a ceremony both before the Sabres game with the Chicago Blackhawks and the Beauts playoff game vs Boston at HarborCenter.

Friday's lines:

Girgensons Eichel Pominville

Nolan Larsson Bailey

Wilson O'Reilly Reinhart

Griffith Rodrigues Baptiste

Scandella Okposo

Guhle Nelson

Beaulieu Antipin

Gorges Falk

## **Sabres' Kyle Okposo practices, feeling healthy after concussion**

Olean Times Herald

Bill Hoppe

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**BUFFALO** – When Sabres winger Kyle Okposo suffered his second concussion in less than a year, his mind raced back to his frightening experience last season.

Last March, a concussion forced Okposo, 29, to be hospitalized in intensive care. So following his collision with Senators winger Bobby Ryan last week in Ottawa, he thought the worst.

“That kind of runs through your mind, ‘Oh no, I hope it doesn’t happen again,’ and, ‘Here we go,’” an upbeat Okposo said Friday after practicing with his teammates for the first time since getting hurt March 8. “But it wasn’t really like that.”

Unlike last season, Okposo said he didn’t have many symptoms. Naturally, he felt dizzy – “The impact was really hard,” he said – immediately after the hit. But the concussion never affected his mood or sleep.

“When I was OK, then I was waiting for symptoms to come on,” Okposo said. “Just when I didn’t (feel them), I felt pretty good and I kind of went from there.”

Of course, Okposo and the Sabres want to make sure he takes the proper time to recover.

“It’s just protocol and precautionary,” Okposo said of the process. “Obviously, with everything that happened last year I wasn’t going to push it, I was going to make sure I was 100 percent and had no ill effects. I’m feeling good and happy to be back.”

Sabres coach Phil Housley said Okposo hasn’t been cleared to play, so he’ll miss this afternoon’s tilt against the Chicago Blackhawks at KeyBank Center.

While Okposo went through a full session Friday inside HarborCenter, he skated at defense.

Housley said last week he was encouraged by how Okposo looked shortly after the hit, a sign his recovery could be short.

“That night I thought he was in a pretty good spot,” Housley said Friday. “I can see that he’s responded really quickly getting back right now. He’s in a good area right now.”

Given what Okposo endured after suffering a concussion last March, the NHL community was concerned for him.

“Obviously, my teammates were worried,” Okposo said. “I got a lot of texts from just people, guys from the league wanted to make sure I’m OK. I’m happy to report that I’m good to go.”

Okposo, who’s often critical of his game, tried to use the time off to his advantage and evaluate his game.

Following a slow start this season – he mustered only two assists in his first 10 outings – he caught fire, looking like his old self offensively. He has scored 11 goals and 38 points in 65 games.

Still, he has struggled defensively, compiling a ghastly minus-29 rating, which is tied for last among NHL forwards.

“Being out a week, I’ve been able to reaccess the year and where I’m at and where my game’s been at this year,” he said. “It was a really good time to just reflect and kind take some realizations in on what I need to do to get back to what I need to (do) ... on a more consistent basis.”

In other injury news, top center Jack Eichel, out the last 15 games with a high right ankle sprain, went through his third full practice this week. He pivoted Zemgus Girgensons and Jason Pominville on Friday, a regular line, a sign he could be nearing a return.

“We’ll reevaluate that tomorrow, we’ll see what the day brings,” Housley said. “It was another good practice, a lot of bumping and grinding. We’ll see how his ankle responds to that.”

Eichel said: "Felt good today, I thought I took another step, so same old."

The same old Blackhawks aren't making their annual visit to Buffalo. At 30-33-8 with only 68 points, they rank seventh in the Central Division. The graying team with three Stanley Cup victories since 2010 will almost certainly miss the playoffs.

The core stars of those championships clubs – captain Jonathan Toews (29 years old) and defensemen Duncan Keith (34) and Brent Seabrook (32) – are starting to age.

South Buffalo's Patrick Kane, however, has compiled 25 goals and 67 points in 71 games this season.

The Blackhawks started strongly this season. But they're 13-20-3 since starting goalie Corey Crawford (concussion) last played.

"Anytime your starting goalie misses a substantial amount of time it's difficult to recover from that," Okposo said. "I'm sure they didn't envision this happening."

## **Linus Ullmark back with Sabres after birth of son**

Olean Times Herald

Bill Hoppe

March 16, 2018

BUFFALO – About 10 days before Linus Ullmark’s wife, Moa, gave birth to a baby boy, the goalie started giving a physical therapist in Rochester his phone during practices in case she went into labor.

After the Sabres recalled Ullmark from the Americans on Tuesday, he let Michael Adesso, the Buffalo’s assistant athletic trainer and physical therapist, hold his phone when he was on the ice.

Early during Wednesday’s session inside HarborCenter, the loquacious Ullmark said “a big, long text message” arrived.

“Obviously, he didn’t understand Swedish, so I had to read it,” Ullmark said today inside KeyBank Center.

So Ullmark, 24, left the ice and began talking on the phone with all his equipment on.

“It turns out that she thought the water broke at that time, so I just buzzed off ... to Rochester,” he said.

On Thursday, Moa had Harry, the couple’s first child.

“I’m speechless,” Ullmark said. “You’re standing there, you can’t do anything without giving your wife your support and even that isn’t enough sometimes through all the pain and suffering. But it was worth it in the end. ... We’re on cloud nine.”

Ullmark said he did well during the labor.

“She didn’t snap at me or anything,” he said.

The Sabres, of course, recalled Ullmark, their top goalie prospect, to play. Chad Johnson, however, will start Saturday afternoon’s home tilt against the Chicago Blackhawks.

Sooner or later, Ullmark, who wasn’t with the team Thursday, will receive some action.

“I’ve just been excited about what’s happening on the other side of the ice,” he said. “So for me now coming back, it was a good opportunity to get the feel of it, being a parent and a hockey player at the same time. I’m looking forward to it.”

Right now, they have three healthy goalies. Housley said regular starter Robin Lehner left today’s practice for maintenance. Defenseman Rasmus Ristolainen had the day off for maintenance.

## **Okposo, Eichel may return for Sabres vs. Blackhawks**

Fox Sports

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BUFFALO, N.Y. — Following yet another lackluster performance, the Buffalo Sabres may get two of their best offensive weapons back in the lineup heading into Saturday's matinee against the visiting Chicago Blackhawks.

The two teams are set to square off at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Buffalo (22-36-12) is coming off a 5-2 loss to the rival Toronto Maple Leafs on Thursday night and has lost three of its last four games. But the Sabres may get some reinforcements back with winger Kyle Okposo and center Jack Eichel each nearing a return.

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After suffering a serious concussion last season, Okposo suffered another concussion on March 8 following a collision with Ottawa's Bobby Ryan. This concussion has not been nearly as intrusive, however, according to Okposo — who returned to practice on Friday and participated fully.

"That kind of runs through your mind, oh no, I hope that doesn't happen again, and here we go ... but it wasn't really like that," Okposo said, according to the team's website. "I didn't have many symptoms. Mood wasn't affected, sleep wasn't affected, so I saw the people that I needed to and feeling good and ready to get back at it."

Okposo is fourth on the team in scoring with 38 points (11 goals, 27 assists) in 38 games.

"This was a first really good step today in practice to see where he's at," Sabres coach Phil Housley said, according to the team's website. "I really like what he brought today, sharp and clean."

Eichel is nearing a return after missing several weeks with an ankle injury. Buffalo's top scorer skated once again with the team on Friday after returning to practices earlier in the week and is a possibility to return to the lineup against Chicago.

"We'll reevaluate that (Saturday), we'll see what the day brings," Housley said, according to the team's website. "It was another good practice, a lot of bumping and grinding. We'll see how his ankle responds to that."

Eichel's return would mark a significant boost for the Sabres, who have struggled to mount a consistent offensive attack all season long. Eichel leads the team in scoring with 53 points (22 goals, 31 assists) in 55 games despite having played 15 fewer games than some of his teammates.

Backup goalie Chad Johnson will get the start in Buffalo against Chicago. Johnson has a save percentage of .896 in 27 games played.

The Blackhawks (30-33-8) are in the midst of a surprising campaign that has seen more struggles than successes. Chicago had a winless streak of eight games in February and is coming off a 6-2 loss to the Winnipeg Jets on Thursday night. Chicago also had a 7-4 loss to the Boston Bruins last Saturday.

"Let's be tighter defensively," Blackhawks coach Joel Quenneville said, according to the team's website. "Let's try to tighten that up."

Buffalo native Patrick Kane returns home, where he's had plenty of success against the Sabres. Kane has 15 career points (eight goals, seven assists) in his career against Buffalo. Chicago captain Jonathan Toews also has 15 career points against the Sabres.

## **Okposo returns to practice with Sabres**

Eichel takes another step forward; Ullmark returns

by Jourdon LaBarber

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Kyle Okposo feared the worst, just like the rest of us.

When Okposo stayed down on the ice following a collision with Ottawa Senators forward Bobby Ryan on March 8, it was hard not to think back to a year ago, when a concussion cost the forward the final six games of his season and eventually landed him in the Neurosurgical Intensive Care Unit at Buffalo General.

Okposo, too, thought back to last season. But while he was diagnosed with a concussion following the collision with Ryan, he quickly noticed that his symptoms weren't as severe. Reports from Phil Housley were positive, and on Friday Okposo was back on the ice with the Buffalo Sabres as a full participant at practice.

"Yeah, that kind of runs through your mind, 'Oh no, I hope it doesn't happen again,' and, 'Here we go,'" Okposo said. "But it wasn't really like that. I didn't have many symptoms. Mood wasn't affected, sleep wasn't affected, so I saw the people that I needed to and feeling good and ready to get back at it."

Sabres Now (3/16/18)

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Okposo left the door open for a potential return to the lineup against Chicago on Saturday, but Housley said he remains in concussion protocol and still must be cleared.

"This was a first really good step today in practice to see where he's at," Housley said. "I really like what he brought today, sharp and clean."

Okposo ranks fourth on the Sabres with 38 points (11+27) in 65 games and has been critical of his own game at times this season. He said the silver lining of his week-long absence has been the opportunity to reassess his game.

"Being out a week, I've been able to reassess the year and where I'm at and where my game's been at this year," Okposo said. "It was a really good time to just reflect and kind of take some realizations in on what I need to do to get back to where I need to on a more consistent basis."

Phil Housley (3/16/18)

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With 12 games remaining, the Sabres may also have their leading scorer back in the lineup before long. Jack Eichel skated with the team for the fourth day in a row and has not been ruled out for Saturday's game against the Blackhawks.

"We'll reevaluate that tomorrow, we'll see what the day brings," Housley said. "It was another good practice, a lot of bumping and grinding. We'll see how his ankle responds to that."

Ullmark returns to the ice

Linus Ullmark is expected to receive some time in net for the Sabres before the end of this season. If does, it will only be the second-best thing to happen to the goaltender in the month of March.

Ullmark was back on the ice with the Sabres on Friday after his wife, Moa, gave birth to their first-born son on Thursday morning. The always-cheery goaltender was even happier than usual when describing the experience to reporters.

"What can I say? I'm speechless," Ullmark said. "You're standing there, you can't do anything [other than] giving your wife your support and even that isn't enough sometimes through all the pain and suffering. But it was worth it in the end. I talked to her a lot afterwards and like I said, we're on cloud nine."

Ullmark was recalled from Rochester on Tuesday, and - while it will be Chad Johnson in net for Buffalo on Saturday - Housley has said that the plan is to get him some games down the line. Even one start will be more than he expected.

Ullmark felt he had been playing well in Rochester and, with the Calder Cup playoffs quickly approaching, expected to be with the Amerks for the remainder of the season.

"We were playing pretty solid in Rochester too, we didn't really have the success that we were having in the beginning of the season but I felt that we were doing the right things and I felt like I was getting my flow back," he said. "So, I thought I was going to be there for the rest of the season."

"Luckily for me, I got the opportunity to come back up here, have good practices and I'm looking forward if I ever get to start a game."

#### Friday's practice

Jacob Josefson, Casey Nelson and Rasmus Ristolainen stayed off the ice for maintenance days. Robin Lehner left the ice shortly into practice, which Housley said was also for a maintenance issue. All are expected to be ready come Saturday.

Here's how the lineup looked at practice:

20 Scott Wilson - 90 Ryan O'Reilly - 23 Sam Reinhart  
28 Zemgus Girgensons - 15 Jack Eichel - 29 Jason Pominville  
67 Benoit Pouliot - 71 Evan Rodrigues - 13 Nicholas Baptiste / 25 Seth Griffith  
17 Jordan Nolan - 22 Johan Larsson - 95 Justin Bailey  
21 Kyle Okposo

Defense: 4 Josh Gorges, 6 Marco Scandella, 41 Justin Falk, 45 Brendan Guhle, 82 Nathan Beaulieu, 93 Victor Antipin

40 Robin Lehner  
31 Chad Johnson  
35 Linus Ullmark

## Sharpen Up: March 16, 2018

by Chris Ryndak

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Buffalo lost to the Toronto Maple Leafs last night 5-2. They fell into an early 2-0 hole they couldn't climb out of. Sam Reinhart and Jason Pominville were your goal scorers, with each of them tallying on the power play.

They'll be back at practice today at HarborCenter as they prep for an afternoon matchup against the Chicago Blackhawks tomorrow at KeyBank Center. We'll have full coverage for you.

Here's what you need to know.

About last night

Sabres fall to Maple Leafs, 5-2

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From the Lexus Postgame Report...

Nathan Beaulieu's hatred for the Toronto Maple Leafs stems back further than the two games he's played against them as a Buffalo Sabre this season. It even dates back further than his six seasons playing for Toronto's chief rival, the Montreal Canadiens.

Beaulieu's aversion for the Maple Leafs, he said, goes all the way back to his upbringing in Strathroy, Ont. But it wasn't some long-burning hatred that fueled his fight with Toronto's Matt Martin in the first period on Thursday night, when the Sabres trailed 2-0 and were playing like a team that had been off for five days.

Nathan Beaulieu Postgame (3/15)

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By challenging Martin, Beaulieu was simply trying to give his team a spark.

"Sometimes it's just something you need to do," the defenseman said. "A lot of respect over there to give me that opportunity. He's a tough customer. Just trying to wake the boys up, get them going. Unfortunately, it didn't go the distance. But sometimes you just got to set the tone."

Phil Housley Postgame (3/15/18)

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Beaulieu was able to get the spark he wanted - Sam Reinhart opened the scoring for the Sabres less than two minutes later and they went on to outshoot the Maple Leafs 29-21 in the second and third periods - but the damage was already done. The Sabres were unable to complete the comeback in a 5-2 loss.

Jason Pominville Postgame (3/15)

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"You could tell that we'd been off for a few days," alternate captain Jason Pominville said. "We didn't get the start, got behind the eight ball and were kind of chasing it after, never found a way to get back into it. Bottom line, we've got to have a better start and we've got to find a way to score 5-on-5, which we didn't do tonight."

Sam Reinhart's goal gives him 10 points (3+7) in his last 10 games against the Maple Leafs, extending his point streak against Toronto to five games (3+4).

With his goal, Pominville now has five points (2+3) in his last five home games and three points (2+1) in two meetings with Toronto this season.

Robin Lehner Postgame (3/15/18)  
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The team will be selling St. Patrick's Day themed pucks prior to tomorrow's game against the Blackhawks, with all proceeds going directly to the Buffalo Sabres Foundation.

The special autographed pucks will be sold for \$20 in the 100 Level concourse prior to the 1 p.m. game. Sabres wives and girlfriends will be on hand to assist with the sale.

Also on Saturday, the Sabres will wear green St. Patrick's Day themed jerseys for warmups against Chicago. The jerseys will be auctioned off immediately following the game here with the auctions running until 9 p.m. on Sunday, March 25.

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