

Sure, I could have skipped Ramblings this week. But where's the fun in that? As long as the

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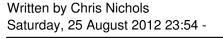
fingers are willing and the heart continues to beat, the show must go on. #gamer #donottrythisathome

A story out of Russia suggests that if (when?) there is a lockout, Dynamo will try to get Alex Ovechkin. Dynamo general manager Andrey Safronov said, "We will talk with Ovechkin. It will be up to the head coach." Ovechkin spent four seasons with the team before beginning his NHL journey and let's go out on a limb and guess that if the only thing standing between Ovechkin and a spot on Dynamo's roster were the coach saying yes, the coach would say HELL YES! Count on a ravenous Ovi wherever he plays.

thoughts

defending Neuvirth when that story first broke. I haven't actually been able to watch the Neuvirth video yet. Hospital WiFi apparently is like hotel WiFi - awful.

Not a shocker here, but with Nicklas Lidstrom gone the Wings are going to need increased efforts across the board on D. Included in that bunch will be Kyle Quincey, who sees an opportunity to <u>play a bigger role</u> with the team. The guy definitely has offensive skills and passing last year's total of 26 points (split between the Avs and Wings) should be reasonable. Considering he only had three points in 18 starts with the Wings, it's all but guaranteed he'll pass that particular pace in Detroit. As of today, the Wings would seemingly use Niklas Kronwall and Ian White on PP1. Quincey would then man the second unit, but don't discount his ability to sneak in with the first group.



It's all about hockey now for Taylor Fedun and he couldn't be happier to have <u>femur rehab</u> behind him . He

was back on skates (gingerly) in February and now basically begins back at Square One in terms of proving himself with the Oilers. While that may be true, the guy has already proven he has heart. Tough road to come back from something like that, but he's done it.

We've seen mostly all positive in terms of the NHL's return to Winnipeg and a new report indicates the area should be fine to support both the NHL and CFL for years and years to come

Loved this quote from that article: "Everybody in the country knows you guys feel much better about yourselves right now. There's a nice glow over Winnipeg when you fly over it."

Twitter has actually been an excellent forum to soak up the enthusiam Winnipeg's return brought last season. From players to reporters to fans in attendance, virtually every single home game had a plethora of excited tweets where you could really feel the passion, regardless of how far away you were. Let's hope it's not January before we hear the 'Peg's vocal cheers again.

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