

True North Sports and Entertainment | Owner

Kevin Cheveldayoff | Exec. VP, general manager

**\$340M**

**15,004**

Forbes 2013 valuation  
NHL rank: 16th

Average 2013-14 attendance  
NHL rank: 25th



Senior VP, dir. hockey operations, assistant GM  
**Craig Heisinger**  
Assistant general manager  
**Larry Simmons**  
Player development co-ord.  
**Jimmy Roy**  
Player development ass't  
**Mike Keane**

Head coach  
**Paul Maurice**  
Assistant coaches  
**Charlie Huddy**  
**Pascal Vincent**  
**Wade Flaherty** (goalies)  
**Matt Prefontaine** (video)  
Scouting directors  
**Mark Dobson** (pro)  
**Marcel Comeau** (amateur)

**2014-15 OUTLOOK**

Everywhere the Winnipeg Jets turn, they are surrounded by what they aspire to be.

Champions. Stanley Cup contenders. NHL heavyweights. The Jets' goal is to reach that same rarefied air; getting there is the tricky part.

"The division and the conference we're in right now, there's several teams that are certainly in the cycle to be considered Stanley Cup contenders," Jets general manager Kevin Cheveldayoff said. "It's an extremely competitive conference with L.A. winning the Stanley Cup, the Blackhawks' history of winning the Stanley Cup, with the competitive level of Anaheim, the competitive level of San Jose and certainly the competitive level of St. Louis. Those are all teams that each and every night, you're measuring yourself against the upper echelon of the National Hockey League."

So what does Cheveldayoff see when he watches his team take on the NHL's best?

"We're a young team that is looking for its players to take the next step in the progression," he said.

"We believe we have a lot of players in our group who have just kind of scratched the surface of where they are as players at the National League level, and are going to continue to grow."

Cheveldayoff estimated that Winnipeg was "the third youngest" team in the NHL in 2013-14, and his hope is that the Jets will grow and learn as they play together.

"You have to have the patience to allow those players to fit in the right places at the right times," Cheveldayoff said. "We're hoping to grow as a unit, to continue to expand the core of the team with top end young players."

The Jets began their second coaching cycle since moving from Atlanta when Paul Maurice took over from Claude Noel on Jan. 12 last season. Over their final 35 games, the Jets were 18-12-5, leading to Maurice signing a four-year extension. "Paul walked into the room as one man," Cheveldayoff said, "and immediately you could see he had the full attention of everybody, from top to bottom, from young guys to the most veteran guys."

Among Maurice's first acts after taking over for Noel was to announce that Dustin Byfuglien would serve as a hybrid forward/defence-man, dependent on game situations. As camp opened, Maurice reiterated Byfuglien will fill that role.

According to Cheveldayoff, Byfuglien will play forward at even strength, but revert to defence when the Jets are on the power play. "He's a very unique hockey player," Cheveldayoff said. "He's an impact player at the National Hockey League level, and for him to make an impact at forward and defence is a testament to just how talented he is."

Ultimately, the Jets will take an immediate step forward if goalie Ondrej Pavelec has a better season. He was tied for 45th and 69th, respectively, in save percentage (.901) and goals-against average (3.01) last season. The Jets picked up veteran backup Peter Budaj on Sunday to help address the situation in net.

The Associated Press

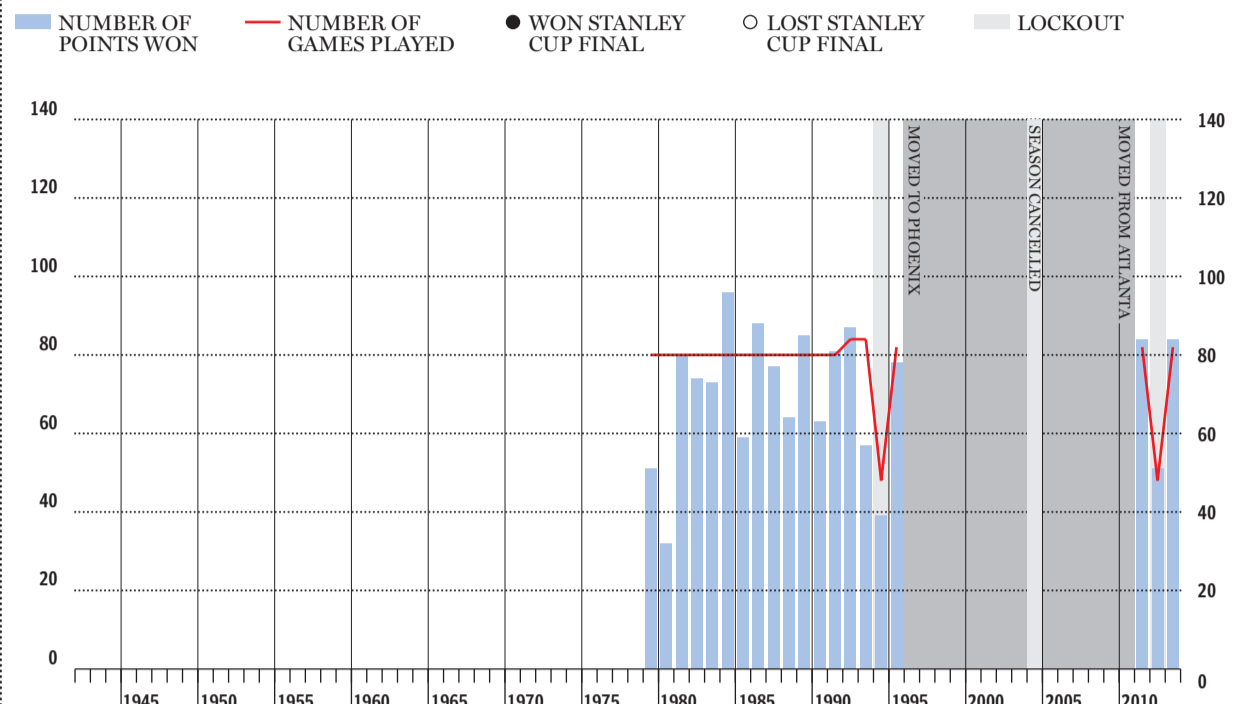
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**WINNIPEG JETS YEARBOOK**

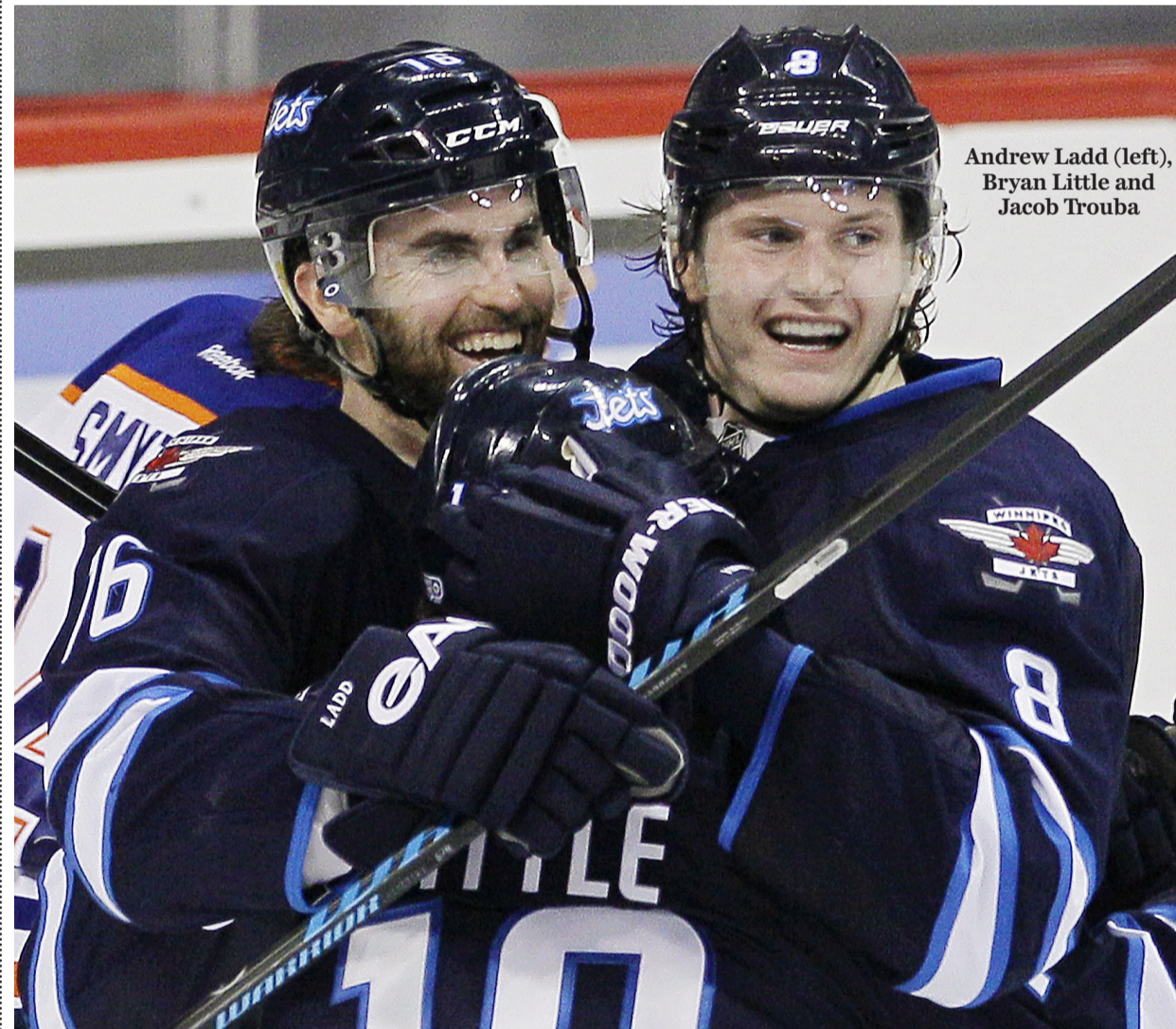
**2013-14 | 84 points (37-35-10), seventh in Central | 2.67 goals per game (15th); 2.82 goals allowed per game (22nd) 0.95 5-on-5 goal ratio (18th) | 15.4% power play (25th); 83.2% penalty kill (10th) | +0.6 shot differential per game (15th) 2013-14 post-season | Did not qualify**

**THE FRANCHISE INDEX: THE JETS IN THEIR VARIOUS INCARNATIONS**



SOURCE: HOCKEY-REFERENCE.COM

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Andrew Ladd (left), Bryan Little and Jacob Trouba

JOHN WOODS / THE CANADIAN PRESS

**DEPTH CHART**

LEFT WING					CENTRE					RIGHT WING				
GP	G	A	TOI		GP	G	A	TOI		GP	G	A	TOI	
Evander Kane	63	19	22	20:17	Mark Scheifele	63	13	21	16:21	Blake Wheeler	82	28	41	18:41
Andrew Ladd	78	23	31	19:44	Bryan Little	82	23	41	20:00	Michael Frolik	81	15	27	16:40
Adam Lowry*	64	17	16	n/a	Mathieu Perreault*	69	18	25	13:52	Dustin Byfuglien	78	20	36	23:05
T.J. Galiardi*	62	4	13	14:37	Jim Slater	27	1	1	10:38	Chris Thorburn	55	2	9	8:57

DEFENCE					GOAL									
GP	G	A	TOI		GP	G	A	TOI						
Zach Bogosian	55	3	8	22:55	Jacob Trouba	65	10	19	22:26	Ondrej Pavelec	57	3.01	.901	1
Mark Stuart	69	2	11	18:38	Tobias Enstrom	82	10	20	23:54	Peter Budaj*	24	2.51	.909	1
Paul Postma	20	1	2	16:08	Grant Clitsome	32	2	10	19:47	Michael Hutchison	3	1.64	.943	0

**DEPTH PLAYERS**

RW Matt Halischuk, RW Anthony Peluso, D Keaton Ellerby, D Adam Pardy

**ROOKIE WATCH**

C Nicolas Petan, LW Nikolaj Ehlers

\* Acquired in off-season, stats are with previous team; † acquired during 2013-14 season, stats are with Winnipeg only; ^ rookie, 2013-14 stats are from AHL

**FRANCHISE RECORDS**

\*Records are for players competing in a Winnipeg Jets uniform only

**GAMES PLAYED, CAREER**

1. Thomas Steen | 1981-95 950
2. Dale Hawerchuk | 1981-90 713
3. Doug Smill | 1980-91 691

**GOALS, CAREER**

1. Dale Hawerchuk | 1981-90 379
2. Thomas Steen | 1981-95 264
3. Paul MacLean | 1981-88 248

**GOALS, SEASON**

**76**

Teemu Selanne | 1992-93

**ASSISTS, CAREER**

1. Thomas Steen | 1981-95 553
2. Dale Hawerchuk | 1981-90 550
3. Paul MacLean | 1981-88 270

**ASSISTS, SEASON**

**79**

Phil Housley | 1992-93

**POINTS, CAREER**

1. Dale Hawerchuk | 1981-90 929
2. Thomas Steen | 1981-95 817
3. Paul MacLean | 1981-88 518

**POINTS, SEASON**

**132**

Teemu Selanne | 1992-93

**PLUS-MINUS, SEASON**

**+31**

Robert Picard | 1984-85

**PENALTY MINUTES, SEASON**

**347**

Tie Domi | 1993-94

**GOALIE WINS, CAREER**

1. Bob Essensa | 1988-94 116
2. Ondrej Pavelec | 2011-14 72
3. Brian Hayward | 1982-86 63

**GOALIE WINS, SEASON**

**33**

Brian Hayward | 1984-85  
Bob Essensa | 1992-93

**GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE, CAREER**

1. Ondrej Pavelec | 2011-14 2.92
2. Nikolai Khabibulin | 1994-96 3.22
3. Bob Essensa | 1988-94 3.38

**GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE, SEASON**

**2.80**

Ondrej Pavelec | 2012-13

**SAVE PCT., CAREER**

1. Nikolai Khabibulin | 1994-96 .904
2. Ondrej Pavelec | 2011-14 .904
3. Bob Essensa | 1988-94 .894

**SAVE PCT., SEASON**

**.910**

Bob Essensa | 1991-92

Sources: Hockey-Reference.com, Jets.NHL.com, NHL.com, Forbes.com, Capgeek.com

**SCHEDULE**

All times Central

Oct. 9	at Arizona, 9 p.m.	TSN3	Nov. 18	New Jersey, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 8	at Arizona, 8 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 24	Dallas, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 11	at San Jose, 9 p.m.	SN	Nov. 20	Detroit, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 10	at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.	HNIC	Feb. 26	St. Louis, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 12	at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.	TSN3	Nov. 23	St. Louis, 3:30 p.m.	TSN3, TVA	Jan. 11	at Anaheim, 8 p.m.	TSN3	March 1	Los Angeles, 3 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 17	Nashville, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Nov. 25	at Columbus, 6 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 13	Florida, 7 p.m.	TSN3	March 4	Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.	SN, TVA
Oct. 19	Calgary, 6 p.m.	CITY	Nov. 26	at Buffalo, 6 p.m.	SN1	Jan. 15	at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.	TSN3	March 7	at Nashville, 6 p.m.	HNIC
Oct. 21	Carolina, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Nov. 28	at Boston, 6 p.m.	TSN3, TVA2	Jan. 16	at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.	TSN3	March 10	at St. Louis, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 24	Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 3	Edmonton, 8 p.m.	SN, SN1	Jan. 18	Arizona, 6 p.m.	CITY	March 12	at Florida, 6:30 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 26	Colorado, 2 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 5	Colorado, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 21	Columbus, 8 p.m.	SN1	March 14	at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.	HNIC
Oct. 28	at NY Islanders, 6 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 7	Anaheim, 2 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 27	at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.	TSN3	March 17	San Jose, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Oct. 30	at New Jersey, 6 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 9	at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 29	at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.	TSN3	March 19	St. Louis, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Nov. 1	at NY Rangers, 6 p.m.	SN	Dec. 11	at Colorado, 8 p.m.	TSN3	Jan. 31	Dallas, 6 p.m.	HNIC	March 21	Washington, 6 p.m.	HNIC
Nov. 2	at Chicago, 8 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 13	Anaheim, 6 p.m.	HNIC	Feb. 2	at Calgary, 8 p.m.	TSN3, SN-W	March 23	at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.	TSN3, SN-W
Nov. 4	Nashville, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 16	Buffalo, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 3	at Vancouver, 9 p.m.	TSN3, SN-P	March 24	at Vancouver, 9 p.m.	SN
Nov. 6	Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 19	Boston, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 6	Chicago, 7 p.m.	TSN3	March 26	Montreal, 7 p.m.	TSN3, SN-E RDS
Nov. 8	at Ottawa, 6 p.m.	HNIC	Dec. 21	Philadelphia, 8 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 8	Colorado, 5 p.m.	TSN3, TVA	March 29	Chicago, 6:30 p.m.	CITY
Nov. 11	at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.	TSN3, SN-E, RDS	Dec. 23	at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 10	Minnesota, 7 p.m.	TSN3	March 31	NY Rangers, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Nov. 13	at Carolina, 6 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 27	at Minnesota, 6 p.m.	HNIC	Feb. 12	at Nashville, 7 p.m.	TSN3	April 4	Vancouver, 2 p.m.	TSN3, SN-P
Nov. 15	at Nashville, 6 p.m.	HNIC	Dec. 29	Minnesota, 7 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 14	at Detroit, 6 p.m.	HNIC	April 6	at Minnesota, 7 p.m.	TSN3
Nov. 16	at Minnesota, 4 p.m.	TSN3	Dec. 31	NY Islanders, 4 p.m.	TSN3	Feb. 16	Edmonton, 7 p.m.	TSN3, SN-Oil	April 7	at St. Louis, 7 p.m.	TSN3
			Jan. 3	Toronto, 6 p.m.	HNIC	Feb. 19	at Washington, 6 p.m.	TSN3	April 9	at Colorado, 8 p.m.	TSN3
			Jan. 5	San Jose, 7 p.m.	TSN3, TVA	Feb. 21	at Toronto, 6 p.m.	HNIC	April 11	Calgary, 2 p.m.	TSN3, SN-W

National telecasts 12 Hockey Night in Canada (station to be announced) | 5 Sportsnet | 3 SN One | 3 CITY | 5 TVA/TVA2  
Regional telecasts 60 TSN3 | 2 SN Pacific | 3 SN West | 2 SN East | 2 RDS (blackouts may apply)

67,636 Travel kilometres (6th) 9 Back-to-back game sets  
Source: Dirk Hoag's Super Schedule