

LA KINGS CELEBRATE FROZEN FURY WITH SHUTOUT WIN OVER AVS

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LAS VEGAS — If this year's installment of their Frozen Fury exhibition is a precursor for what is to be expected this season, then the Los Angeles Kings should have a solid 2015-16 campaign. As for the club's ever-loyal fanbase, they packed the 5,000-seat MGM Grand Arena on Saturday night to watch their team close out the preseason in grand fashion: a 4-0 victory over the Colorado Avalanche.

This was the 17th installment of the annual Frozen Fury and those in Las Vegas this weekend for the big game certainly got their money's worth as the Kings dominated the Avs from start to finish, ending the preseason with an impressive 4-1-1 record.

Opening the scoring, it was the captain, Dustin Brown, who beat Colorado's Reto Berra at the 8:36 mark of the opening frame to get the silver-and-black out in front. Dwight King and Nick Shore — the latter of which is still fighting for an opening-night roster spot — provided the assists. But the Kings weren't finished there.

At exactly the 15-minute mark of the first, Kyle Clifford scored his second of the preseason to give Los Angeles a two-goal cushion. Defenseman Derek Forbort — who is also fighting for a roster spot — recorded the lone assist on the goal.

In the second, Trevor Lewis potted his second of the preseason — unassisted — at the 5:17 mark to put the Kings up by three. Marian Gaborik then scored at the 12:34 mark of the third — from Anze Kopitar — to give the silver-and-black the four-goal lead.

While it certainly wasn't the most physical showing by either side, this game was nonetheless entertaining with Jonathan Quick provided his own excitement in goal. While not as busy as his counterpart, Quick was flawless, stopping all 15 shots he faced to improve to 1-1-0 on the year. Saturday night was Quick's first full game of the preseason. Needless to say, Kings fans will hope to see more of said performance this coming season.

Overall, the atmosphere was electric and the end result only made it better.

Now, the Kings will be busy finalizing their roster as they head back to Los Angeles preparing for their season-opener on Wednesday night, playing host to the San Jose Sharks.

