

CLIPPER SPORTS

High School Hockey Round-Up

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Sabres Girls Advance

The Springfield Sabres girls advanced to the Manitoba Womens High School Hockey League semi-finals after sweeping the JH Bruns Broncos last week.

On Feb. 26, Grace Wozney made 20 saves for the shutout, while Lily Hurley and Kera Lesuk provided the firepower in a 2-0 victory. Despite only taking seven shots on goal, the Sabres made them count as Wozney stopped everything sent her way.

The Feb. 28 rematch was a back-and-forth affair that began with Alexis Campbell giving the Sabres a 1-0 lead after the first period. The Broncos tied it 1:19 in the second, but the deadlock lasted only 20 seconds before Miley Sorin scored unassisted to regain the lead for the Sabres.

It took a mere seven seconds in the third period before the Broncos tied the score again, but from there, it was all Sabres as Hurley, Bella Magura, and Journey Atamanchuk iced a 5-2 win.

Wozney was strong again, making 42 saves. Springfield took 22 shots.

Springfield faces the first-place CPET Canadiennes in the semi-finals. The Habs went 19-3 in the regular season. They led the league in goals scored and allowed the fewest against. Springfield lost all three games against the Canadiennes by 3-1, 4-2 and 4-0 scores.

Game 1 scheduled for March 4 was postponed due to weather, leaving the series opener in Oakbank on March 6 at 3:30 p.m. The series reverts to Transcona on March 8.

Sabres sniper Alexis Campbell was named Division 3 Player of the Week for the week ending Feb. 16. She was cited for three

points in two games and for leading the team in scoring.

Barons Season Over

While the École Edward Schreyer Barons girls inaugural season is over, they did not go quietly, but fell in straight games to Murdoch Mackay.

The series began on Feb. 26, with the Barons falling 6-0. They were outshot 44-4.

It was a different story on Feb. 28. Baron Skyla Dickerson opened the scoring late in the first period off a feed from Lauren Ingeberg.

After Murdoch went ahead, the Barons tied the game on the power play at 2:28 of the second period. It was the middle frame's only tally.

Murdoch Mackay took the lead 70 seconds into the third period, but Serena Gorski tied the game at 13:58. Dickerson and Hailley Servage earned assists. Gorski's goal forced overtime, but deep into extra hockey, Murdoch Mackay scored to win the game and the series. The Barons were outshot 19-8.

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Sabres Boys Reach Final

The Springfield Sabres overcame a flu bug that swept through the dressing room to top the West Kildonan Wolverines in a pair of thrilling overtime games.

They now play Gabrielle Roy for the division championship. All games are 4:30 p.m. starts at Seven Oaks Arena on March 6 and 7.

The Sabres were in tough, as they lost 8-2 and 4-0 to the Wolverines this season. The opener on Feb. 28 would be much closer, as both teams scored twice in the first period. Cam Osborne and Owen Boissonneault replied for the Sabres.



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Serena Gorski's third period goal sent the Barons game against Murdoch Mackay into overtime.

Liam Johnston gave Springfield a 3-2 lead at 11:52 of the second. Parker Fazio and Taigan Newton earned the assists. That lead lasted exactly one minute before West Kildonan tied it again.

The teams buckled down from there, with no scoring in the third period. That forced overtime, which Fazio ended with 4:49 left on feeds from Max Sholdra and Evan Suchar.

The series resumed 24 hours later, with Johnston

striking less than two minutes in. Newton and Fazio set him up. Things slowed down from there until the Wolverines scored on the power play at 4:59 of the second. They took a 2-1 lead at 9:57.

The Wolverines tried to nurse that 2-1 lead and did until late in the third period before Osborne scored unassisted with 18 seconds left. Newton scored seconds into overtime to send the Sabres to the championship.



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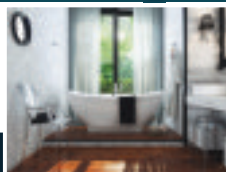
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