

AAA GAME OF THE WEEK

AAA PLAYOFF RECAP

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Winnipeg—

Winnipeg – With the 2010 playoffs just over a week old, we've seen some dramatic finishes, some overtime heroics, and as always the first round casualties saw their season come to an early end.

One of the closest match ups so far has been the Bantam II Sharks and Monarchs. Not only did both contests require overtime, but they also featured some late game heroics with game-tying tallies coming in the dying seconds to force extra time.

The Monarchs scored a last second goal in game one, but came up short after the Sharks scored in the extra frame. The Sharks were also able to win game two in overtime when a Ryley Lindgren slapshot finished off a comeback from a late 3-1 deficit.

In other Bantam II action, the Winnipeg Hawks have poured 20 goals past the Warriors in just two games. The Warriors have also been able to score goals and will look to improve on that in game three tonight at the Maples Community Centre. Puck drops at 6 p.m. Game three for the Monarchs and Sharks will get underway just after at 8:30 p.m.

At Ed Golding arena, Bantam I action is already three games deep and each series has played into extra time. The Monarchs have taken all three games over the Sharks with impressive victories of 7-3 and 7-1, including a 3-2 overtime win in game 2.



The Warriors also went up three games on the Hawks after winning game three in extra time, 5-4. Games one and two were 5-2 and 4-1 decisions respectively.



The Monarchs and Warriors each have a chance to advance to the final this evening with a pair of game fours scheduled at Ed Golding arena. The Hawks and Warriors are up first at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Sharks and Monarchs at 8:30 p.m.

The Sharks and Hawks were the first of the City Midget AAA teams to advance to the second round with convincing three-game sweeps over Interlake and Central Plains. The Warriors were the first to be eliminated from playoff contention after they dropped three straight decisions to the Eastman Selects.

The Monarchs will need one more victory over the Brandon Wheat Kings in order to move on to the semi finals. The Monarchs currently hold a two games to one lead over Brandon, and are scheduled to play tonight following a undecided game that was played Sunday in Brandon.

After the Thrashers were able to move past the preliminary round of the playoffs with a series win over the Kenora Thistles, both the Wild and Thrashers were in action this past weekend. The Thrashers were unable to get past the Pembina Valley Hawks the first three games.

The Wild moved onto the semi finals after beating the Norman North Stars in all three contests over the weekend. All semi final matchups will be determined as soon as all teams have advanced through the quarter finals.

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