

Rainiers' Historic Season Comes to an End

Kent Valley Rainiers Defeat Amherst, Fall to Prestigious Valley Jr. Warriors in Quarter Finals.

Amherst Ice Centre, Amherst, NY 10 April, 2010 – The Kent Valley Rainiers' dream of a national championship title ended Saturday in the quarter finals at the hands of the Valley Jr. Warriors from Haverhill, Massachusetts. The Rainiers defeated the host team Amherst Knights in a late afternoon game on Friday by a score of 11 to 0. The win over Amherst moved the Rainiers into the quarter finals and the early Saturday morning match against the Valley Jr. Warriors.

Friday's game against Amherst was an even match in period 1 with the Rainiers getting 9 shots on goal while Amherst fired 10 shots at the Kent Valley goal. However, the balanced play ended with the buzzer at the close of period one. Kent Valley outshot Amherst 17 to 1 in the second period and 22 to 4 in the third period. The Rainiers scored 6 goals in the second period and 5 goals in the third. Kailer Yamamoto tallied 6 points in the game on 4 goals and 2 assists. Yamamoto, with 13 points in 4 games, was ranked second among the point leaders in the tournament, just 1 point out of first place behind Compuware's Brody Stevens. Stevens ended the tournament with 14 points in 6 games.

Jake Levin scored the Rainier's only goal in the final game against the Valley Jr. Warriors. Levin was assisted by McKinley Kempf and Luke Van Schaack. The final score was Kent Valley Rainiers 1, Valley Jr. Warriors 3.

The Valley Jr. Warriors were defeated in the semi finals by Chicago Mission 3 to 6. Chicago advanced to the championship final where they were defeated by Compuware 4 to 0. Compuware is the 2010 PeeWee Tier-I 12U National Champion.

Below is the scoring summary for the game against Amherst Knights:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Kent Valley	2	13:55	Kailer Yamamoto from John Anderson & Jordan Greenhall (Power Play)
Kent Valley	2	12:22	Jordan Greenhall from John Anderson & Kailer Yamamoto
Kent Valley	2	11:44	Luke Van Schaack from Mason Stewart & Kailer Yamamoto (Power Play)
Kent Valley	2	10:06	Kailer Yamamoto from Jordan Greenhall
Kent Valley	2	04:10	Bryce Ebert from Jordan Greenhall
Kent Valley	2	00:11	Kailer Yamamoto from Luke Van Schaack & Jordan Greenhall
Kent Valley	3	13:47	Andrew Lee from Luke Van Schaack
Kent Valley	3	13:19	Luke Van Schaack from Andrew Lee & Paul Frys
Kent Valley	3	5:57	Jake Levin from Bo Hanson
Kent Valley	3	4:09	Bo Hanson from Andrew Lee & McKinley Kempf
Kent Valley	3	2:08	Kailer Yamamoto from Jordan Greenhall
Kent Valley's Evan Sarthou played 44:30 of 45 minutes and stopped 15 of 15 shots on goal a shutout. Amherst's Maxwell Battistoni played 30 of 45 minutes and stopped 20 of 26 shots on goal for 0.77%. Amherst's Mark O'Malley played 15 of 45 minutes and stopped 17 of 22 shots on goal for 0.77%. Kent Valley had 3 minor penalties for 6 minutes while Amherst had 4 minor penalties for 8 minutes. Kent Valley was 2 for 4 on the Power Play; New Jersey was 0 for 3 on the Power Play.			

Congratulations to the Kent Valley Rainiers on their outstanding performance at the USA Hockey National Championships and their historic season. The next time you visit the rink, check out the Pacific District Championship banner hanging in the lobby of Kent Valley Ice Centre. Sweeeeee!

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