

It Was an Exciting Weekend #15 for Kent Valley Hockey Association

Kent, WA December 18, 2007 – Progress on the February 2nd KVHA Auction continued this past week. Auction items are rolling in fast and furious from KVHA members. We are beginning to post the auction items on www.KentValleyHockey.com for everyone to review before auction night. The “Instant Wine Cellar” continues to grow as well.

In hockey news this week, the Pacific Northwest Amateur Hockey Association (PNAHA) ruled that KVHA’s Bantam Selects Tier-II team should play at the Tier-I level. The Bantams tested the Tier-I water in Portland this weekend when they played the Portland Bantam “AAA” team. The Selects lost on Saturday by a score of 3 to 5 and tied on Sunday by a score of 4 to 4. In other local news, the North Puget Sound Hockey League (NPSHL) standings are now posted on the Seattle Jr. Hockey Association web site and our KVHA web site. Check it out and see where our KVHA teams rank in the various divisions.

Kent Valley Skating Club presented a spectacular “Holiday Show” at Kent Valley Ice Centre Friday afternoon. The ninety minute show featured over 30 members of the Kent Valley Skating Club in a variety of solo, duet, trio, and group performances. Now! I gotta tell ya, I’m a tough old ornery hockey guy through and through, but turn out the lights, put the spotlight on a graceful sequined figure skater, start the music and I gasp at every spin, jump and graceful move. The Kent Valley Skating Club staged an amazing show at Kent Valley Ice Centre complete with a large backdrop curtain, an announcer, a great sound system, and dual spotlights. Coordinators said it was total chaos behind the curtain. But it didn’t show on the ice. I was really impressed both by the event itself and also by the incredible talent. It was awesome! Next year, we promote this and put more butts in the bleachers... I mean, this was worth watching. You should have been there!

Well, enough of that. Let’s get back to hockey. Game summaries are below. Enjoy!

NW Admirals Red Shut Out Mite Lightning

Kent, WA December 15, 2007 – The Seattle Jr. NW Admirals Red team found a way to shut down the Kent Valley Lightning scoring machine Saturday morning. The Lightning contained their frustration by taking only two penalties during the otherwise penalty-free game. The Admiral Red win moved them into a second place tie with the Lightning in NPSHL standings. The Lightning will face the Hurricanes at KVIC next Saturday for another “Battle of the Valley” rematch.

A Series of Firsts for Squirt Lightning in 6-3 Win

Kirkland, WA December 15, 2007 – The Kent Valley Squirt Lightning got their first win of the season on Saturday at Kingsgate Ice Arena in Kirkland. Maybe it was their new matching red socks. Maybe they were just due for that first win... Whatever it was, it was sssssweet!

The WWFHA Hawks jumped out to an early two point lead on goals from Jennifer Benson at 4:30 and Ashley King at 5:58. King’s goal was assisted by Ashly Holve. The Lightning’s Blaine Reich scored the first goal of his career at 11:42 on an assist from Nicklas VanHalder. Almost two minutes later at 13:34 Thomas Speer tapped one in to tie the game at 2 to 2.

Second period belonged to the Lightning as they scored three unanswered goals. Jonathan Gonzales scored at 5:12 with assists from Nicklas Pokrzywinski and Jacob Ray. Colin Bartlett scored his first career goal, an unassisted goal at 11:24. Bartlett’s goal also turned out to be the game winning goal. Dylan Moriarty joined the “first career goal club’ at 12:31 with the Lightning’s 5th goal, an unassisted goal. The Lightning ended the period 3 goals up on the Hawks.

The Lightning’s Kyle Pirtilla earned admission to the “first career goal club” at 2:15 when he scored his first ever goal on an assist from Riley Agnew. The Hawks Ashely King scored her second goal of the game, an unassisted goal, at 8:42 of the third period. When the clock

went to all zeroes, the Lightning players mobbed goalie Sammy Sellami to celebrate the team's first victory. The game was particularly sweet for Sellami. It was his first career win as a goaltender.

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Hawks	1	4:30	Jennifer Benson unassisted
Hawks	1	5:58	Ashley King from Ashly Holve
Lightning	1	11:42	Blaine Reich from Nicklas VanHalder
Lightning	1	13:34	Thomas Speer unassisted
Lightning	2	5:12	Jonathan Gonzales from Nicklas Pokrzywinski & Jacob Ray
Lightning	2	11:24	Colin Bartlett unassisted
Lightning	2	12:31	Dylan Moriarty unassisted
Lightning	3	2:15	Kyle Pirtilla from Riley Agnew
Hawks	3	8:42	Ashley King unassisted

The Lightning fired 28 shots at the Hawk's net while the Hawks got 6 shots on the Lightning net. Each team received two penalties during the game. "First Goal" pucks were awarded to Colin Bartlett, Blaine Reich, Dylan Moriarty and Kyle Pirtilla. Welcome to the club boys! Congratulations to all the Lightning players for a great win.

Squirt Selects Hammer Puget Sound Tomahawks on Saturday, and Again on Sunday

Tacoma, WA December 15, 2007 – They scored early and they scored often. They did it on Saturday, and they did it again on Sunday. They scored twenty-one goals in two games. Wow! Goalie Austin Phelps got a shut-out on Sunday. Anton Nikitin scored a "Hat Trick" in Saturday's game. Ryno Peacock got a "Hat Trick" on Sunday. Patrick Dunphy got a "Hat Trick" plus one (four goals) on Sunday. End of story.

Editorial comment: I'm told by a reliable source that accurate score keeping for these two games at Puget Sound Hockey Center was not necessarily something for which the Off Ice Officials strived. Consequently, assists for many of the goals failed to get posted to the score sheet and some of the goal scoring may not have been correctly reported. Case and point; I personally made a point of complimenting one of the Selects for scoring a goal in Saturday's game. The player totally denied having scored the goal even though their jersey number was clearly noted on the score sheet. So, I apologize to anyone whose goal was credited to someone else or whose assist failed to make it onto the score sheet. I report what the score sheet says... Please don't shoot the messenger, I'm a volunteer...

The game summaries for both games are below:

Saturday's Game			
Team	Period	Time	Scoring
KVHA	1	3:39	Matt Dorsey unassisted
KVHA	1	4:12	Jake Best from Ryno Peacock
KVHA	1	9:43	Jake Best unassisted
KVHA	1	11:26	Lydia Grauer unassisted
KVHA	2	7:10	Anton Nikitin unassisted
KVHA	2	11:45	Patrick Dunphy unassisted
KVHA	2	12:42	Anton Nikitin unassisted
KVHA	3	2:27	Ryno Peacock from Matt Dorsey
KVHA	3	6:00	Ryno Peacock from Patrick Dunphy
KVHA	3	8:44	Anton Nikitin from Patrick Dunphy
Puget Sound	3	10:43	David Peters unassisted

Sunday's Game			
Team	Period	Time	Scoring
KVHA	1	:37	Patrick Dunphy unassisted
KVHA	1	:55	Landon Bevier unassisted
KVHA	1	9:00	Ryno Peacock from Anton Nikitin
KVHA	2	:39	Ryno Peacock from Matt Dorsey
KVHA	2	2:13	Anton Nikitin from Patrick Dunphy
KVHA	2	3:11	Patrick Dunphy unassisted
KVHA	2	8:05	Anton Nikitin from Zack Houck
KVHA	2	8:42	Ryno Peacock unassisted
KVHA	2	11:29	Patrick Dunphy from Anton Nikitin & Landon Bevier
KVHA	3	11:34	Patrick Dunphy from Anton Nikitin & Landon Bevier
KVHA	3	13:01	Jake Best from Sage Hege & Nick Pizzey

PeeWee Tornadoes (5) SnoKing Blue (4)

Kent, WA December 15, 2007 – SnoKing Blue scored first at 5:08 of the first period with an unassisted goal from Trevor Nishikawa. Jason Smith tied the game with an unassisted goal at 7:38. Coach Bennett said later; *"Smith's goal was a classic Ovechkin like goal, scored from his butt! He beat the defense, was hauled down, and still managed to stay focused enough to find the twine!"* Angus Abels' goal put the Tornadoes ahead at 11:08 with an assist from Brendan Miller. SnoKing managed to tie it up in the closing seconds of the first period with an unassisted goal at 14:24 from Nicolas Scherbinin.

SnoKing scored first in the second period with a go-ahead goal at 4:12 from David Kvasyuk with an assist from Chris Kim. The Tornadoes tied it up at 6:24 on an Angus Abels unassisted goal. Abels put the Tornadoes in front with an unassisted goal at 13:57. Abels' goal also earned him a "Hat Trick." Brendan Miller scored the Tornadoes 5th goal at 14:28 of the period. Miller's goal was assisted by Brandon Foote and was the game winner.

SnoKing managed to close the gap to a one-goal Tornadoes lead at 2:11 of the third period when Chris Kim scored from Austin Snyder. The Tornadoes strong defense held on to win the game 5 to 4. The win helps the Tornadoes remain atop the NPSHL standings.

The game was relatively free of infractions. The Tornadoes had 3 penalties while SnoKing Blue had 2 penalties. Shots on goal were also pretty even with 14 by the Tornadoes and 13 by SnoKing Blue. The lead changed four times during the game. What a great game.

The game scoring summary is below:

Team	Period	Time	Scoring
SnoKing	1	5:08	Trevor Nishikawa unassisted
KVHA	1	7:38	Jason Smith unassisted
KVHA	1	11:08	Angus Abels from Brendan Miller
SnoKing	1	14:24	Nicolas Scherbinin unassisted
SnoKing	2	4:12	David Kvasyuk from Chris Kim
KVHA	2	6:24	Angus Abels unassisted
KVHA	2	13:57	Angus Abels unassisted
KVHA	2	14:28	Brendan Miller from Brandon Foote
SnoKing	3	2:11	Chris Kim from Austin Snyder

PeeWee Tier-II Take Two from Wenatchee

Wenatchee, WA December 15, 2007 – The Kent Valley PeeWee Selects traveled to Wenatchee Saturday for a one hour practice and two exhibition games. The Selects defeated the Wenatchee PeeWee Blades 6 to 2 in the morning and 8 to 3 in the afternoon.

Game #1 was dominated by the Selects both on the score board and in the penalty box. The Selects took 11 penalties in the game while the Blades were assessed 7 penalties. Kent Valley's Joshua Stone faced 24 shots stopping all but 2 of them. The Selects fired 35 shots at Wenatchee goalie Max Flynn with Flynn stopping 29 of them.

Saturday's Game #1			
Team	Period	Time	Scoring
KVHA	1	2:45	Jarid Rivers from Paul Gicewicz
Wenatchee	1	12:17	Hunter Vannier from Ty Flynn
KVHA	2	:35	Chad Haywood unassisted
KVHA	2	2:24	Rebecca Gicewicz from John Scherer
KVHA	2	5:02	John Scherer from Paul Gicewicz
KVHA	2	9:11	Michael Julin from Harrison Bragg
KVHA	2	11:51	Keegan Brasch from John Scherer & Chad Haywood
Wenatchee	2	13:22	Hunter Vannier from Daniel Litchfield & Chase Setzer

The penalties were more even than in the first game with Kent Valley taking 5 penalties and Wenatchee taking 4. Kent Valley's David Zaks stopped 22 of 25 shots while Wenatchee's Max Flynn stopped 22 of 30 shots.

Saturday's Game #2			
Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Wenatchee	1	5:50	Ty Flynn from Hunter Vannier
KVHA	1	8:57	Grant Wilson unassisted
KVHA	1	10:05	John Scherer unassisted
KVHA	1	10:59	Keegan Brasch unassisted
Wenatchee	2	1:41	Hunter Vannier from Wes Rix
KVHA	2	3:57	John Scherer from Melanie Doner
KVHA	2	11:24	Harrison Bragg unassisted
Wenatchee	2	13:09	Wes Rix from Hunter Vannier & Ty Flynn
KVHA	3	5:16	Rebecca Gicewicz from Michael Julin
KVHA	3	6:09	Michael Julin unassisted
KVHA	3	13:41	Chad Haywood unassisted

Kent Bantam Tornadoes Extend League Record; Lose in Exhibition

Kent, WA December 15, 2007 – The Tornadoes skated to a 5-1 win in Saturday's league game against Kitsap 1. With only 16 shots on goal in the entire game, it was a defensive battle. Kitsap got on the scoreboard first, but it was 1-1 at the end of the first period thanks to Brady Anderson tipping in a rebound from Brendan Laik. The defense on both sides of the ice kept the shots to a minimum throughout most of the second period until Kyle Miller-Smith launched a bullet at Kitsap's goal and it was all net. Finally in the third, the Tornadoes took off as Brendan Laik scored; Zac Cadiente and Stone Hanlon knocked one in; and Kyle Miller-Smith got his second goal of the game making it another league win and extending the Tornadoes record to 8 and 1. *(Story contributed by Sheri Walsh)*

KVHA Bantam Tornadoes vs Kitsap Bantam 1			
Team	Period	Time	Scoring
Kitsap	1	12:08	Vogt from McMullen
KVHA	1	3:44	Brady Anderson from Brendan Laik & Kyle Miller-Smith
KVHA	2	1:22	Kyle Miller-Smith from Brendan Laik
KVHA	3	8:15	Brendan Laik from Brady Anderson
KVHA	3	7:39	Zac Cadiente from Stone Hanlon
KVHA	3	:30	Kyle Miller-Smith from Tanner Coughlin

Renton, WA December 16, 2007 - With 3 players missing Sunday, the short bench would eventually get the best of the Tornadoes at Castle Ice where they played SnoKing B. With the drop of the puck in the first period it was obvious that this was a game like no other that the Tornadoes had played to date. It was a high intensity game, where not only fatigue, but penalties would get the best of the team in the end. After having to kill off 3 penalties in the first period, it ended scoreless. The game remained scoreless until the 2:38 mark of the 2nd period with SnoKing up 2-0. The Tornadoes seemed to get a second wind in the 3rd with some quality scoring opportunities, but having to kill off 5 penalties; they gave up a short-handed goal and ended the game 3-0. Despite the penalties and lack of players, Coach Cadiente was very pleased with the boys performance overall. Goalie Troy Turpin had a great game stopping 38 of the 41 shots. The Tornadoes will face Bremerton's "B" Team next week. Great Job Boys! *(Story contributed by Mary MacDonald)*

Bantam Tier-I Challenge Portland Bantam "AAA"

Portland, OR December 16, 2007 – The Kent Valley Bantam Tier-I Selects tested the Tier-I water in Portland this weekend when they played the Portland Bantam "AAA" team. The Selects lost on Saturday by a score of 3 to 5 and tied on Sunday by a score of 4 to 4.

Score sheets were not available to provide details on scoring.

Team Inconsistency an Issue for West Coast Bantams in Trail, BC Tournament

Trail, B.C. Canada December 15, 2007 – The West Coast (WC) Bantams had moments of dominance followed by moments of inconsistency which led to a 1-2-1 record and out of the playoff round in Trail, BC this past weekend. The first game of the tournament was a 4-1 loss to Mindapore from Calgary, Alberta. In a penalty filled game, the Albertans were just better on special teams this night as they scored 3 times on the power play to ensure their victory. The WC boys rebounded with a win over Lethbridge, Alberta 4-1. The boys took over in the second period and tallied their only victory of the weekend. Game 3 against the host team Trail had playoff implications and the WC team came out with their best 20 minutes of the tournament knowing they needed a win to make the semi-finals. A great 1st period and a 2-0 lead quickly disappeared for the WC Bantams as very untimely mistakes and costly penalties allowed Trail to seize the momentum and steam roll over the boys in the 3rd period to a 8-3 win. Game 4 was a rematch with Lethbridge in a consolation game. The WC Boys came out with a purpose and dominated the 1st two periods and had a 5-2 lead going into the 3rd period. Once again the same problems arose and the team saw the 3 goal lead disappear in the final 25 seconds as Lethbridge tied the game off a faceoff in the defensive zone. The boys were obviously dejected but see that the problem areas are starting to be solved and the mistakes that they are making can be fixed. Next up for the West Coast Bantams are a couple practices next weekend with a tune up game against Kent Valley Sunday morning.....then off to Phoenix for the Coyote Cup. *(Story contributed by Mike Anderson, West Coast Hockey Club)*

Midget Rep "B" (2) Kitsap Midget All Stars (3)

Kent, WA December 15, 2007 – The Kent Valley Midget "B" Spartans invited the Kitsap Midget All Stars to Kent Valley Ice Centre for an exhibition game Saturday. If you were to try to predict an outcome based on the size of the each team's bench, you would have guessed the Spartans had the advantage. The Kitsap All Stars had half the number of players as the Spartans. But, try as they did, the Spartans were unable to tire the All Stars in three periods of play. The Kitsap All Stars prevailed by a score of 3 to 2.

A score sheets was not available to provide details on the scoring.

KVHA Weekend Game Summary

For December 14th, 15th & 16th, 2007

Trail, B.C. Bantam "A" Tournament: Win = 1, Tie = 1, Loss = 2

Loss 12/14 – West Coast Bantam "A" (1) vs. Midnapore (Calgary) Bantam "A" (4)

Win 12/15 – West Coast Bantam "A" (4) vs. Lethbridge Bantam "A" (1)

Loss 12/15 – West Coast Bantam "A" (3) vs. Rossland-Trail Bantam "A" (8)

Tie 12/16 – West Coast Bantam "A" (5) vs. Lethbridge Bantam "A" (5)

Saturday Games: Win = 5, Tie = 0, Loss = 3

Loss 12/15 Mite Lightning (0) vs. NW Admirals Red (6) at KVIC

12/15 Mite Hurricanes vs. Puget Sound Tomahawks Blue at Tacoma (No Report)

Win 12/15 Squirt Lightning (6) vs. WWFHA Hawks (3) at Kingsgate

Win 12/15 PeeWee Tornadoes (5) vs. SnoKing Blue (4) at KVIC

12/15 PeeWee Hurricanes vs. Kitsap Outlaws at Bremerton (No Report)

Win 12/15 PeeWee Tier-II (6) vs. Wenatchee PeeWee Tier-II (2)

Win 12/15 PeeWee Tier-II (8) vs. Wenatchee PeeWee Tier-II (3)

Win 12/15 Bantam Tornadoes (5) vs. Kitsap Outlaws Red (1) at KVIC

Loss 12/15 Bantam Tier-I (3) vs. Portland Bantam "AAA" (5) at Portland

Loss 12/15 Midget "B" Spartans (2) vs. Kitsap Midget All Stars (3) at KVIC

Sunday Games: Win = 0, Tie = 1, Loss = 1

Tie 12/16 Bantam Tier-I (4) vs. Portland Bantam "AAA" (4) at KVIC

Loss 12/16 Bantam Tornadoes (0) vs. SnoKing Bantam "B" (3) at Renton

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