

Farmington Hills Pee Wee Hockey Champs



Titans win Tier I crown: The Titans scored three early goals and went on to claim a 4-0 victory over the Storm in the Farmington Hills Hockey Association's Pee Wee Tier I championship game. The members of the Titans team are (front row, left to right) Brian Kalisher, Mike Dunleavy, Mike Caples, Cote Brown, Dan Parsell, Terry Line, Nick DiRusso, Mike Lysaght, Terry Line (middle row) Alex Janssen, Kyle Cummings, Joe Harvey, Ryan McMillen, Ryan Gendron, Nick Hersey, (back row) assistant coaches Jerry Di Russo and Mark Caples, head coach Mike Lysaght and assistant coaches John Janssen and Rich McMillen.



Hornets are Tier II champs: The Hornets broke a 2-2 tie late in the third period and added an empty-net goal for a 4-2 win over the Titans in the Farmington Hills Hockey Association's Pee Wee Tier II championship game. The members of the Hornets team are (standing, left to right) Chris Miracle, Kevin Etzel, Derek Hoffman, Mike Meyer, Kyle Anderson, Andrew Stern, Brandon Winowiecki, Richard Pimlott, (middle row) Mark Whitehead, Gareth Webb, Travis Alias, Andrew Tabaczynski, Xander Dodreff, Adam Rowe, Ben Chrisom, (center) goalie Mike Passman, (back row) assistant coaches Dean Rowe, Toby Tabaczynski and Mike Chrisom and head coach Dave Webb.

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DeBoer. "To come out with the series at 1-1, with some key guys out . . . We're pretty happy with that."

DeBoer added that Weiss' concussion was diagnosed as a Grade One, or the mildest form. He is expected to play tonight.

"I thought we played well with the lead," added Damian Surma, who has a goal and an assist in each of the first two games. "We usually do, but it got away from us last night."

"We just need to keep things simple and to keep playing well."

In other words, if the Whalers had scripted Sunday's game, it wouldn't have looked much different.

Surma gave them the early edge (again — in 15 playoff games, Plymouth has scored first 14 times) when, while killing a penalty, he darted into the 67's end to pick off a centering pass by Brendan Bell. Surma's shot beat Ottawa goalie Seamus Kotyk, his short-handed, unassisted goal giving the Whalers a 1-0 lead with 9:07 left in the first period.

With Lance Galbraith in the box for hooking, Plymouth made it 2-0 with a power-play goal scored by Chad LaRose with 5:21 remaining in the opening period. James Wisniewski (from Canton), who had earlier in the power play had driven a shot from the point off the post, fired another that Kotyk stopped but could not smother. LaRose knocked in the rebound; Cole Jarrett also assisted.

The loss the previous night had quite apparently left the Whalers crummy. Just 1:35 into the second period, LaRose took a

centering pass from Surma, deked Kotyk and scored to make it 3-0. Stacey Britstone also assisted.

Plymouth cashed in on another power-play opportunity 1:28 later, with Chad Wiseman poking in another rebound off another hard shot from the point by Wisniewski. Jarrett also assisted, making it 4-0.

And causing the removal of Kotyk, John Ceci replaced him in goal, but the damage had already been done.

The Whalers lost a bit of their focus in the last half of the second period, allowing Ottawa's Joe Talbot to score a short-handed goal with 9:47 left (from Galbraith and Van Hoof) and then, with 3:58 remaining, getting a second goal from Vadim Sozinov (from Talbot and Rodney Baumann).

But the third period was vintage Whalers. They simply did not give the 67's many good scoring opportunities, allowing just one shot on goal in the first 14 minutes of the third period and five in all.

"One of the keys to our success all year has been playing with the lead," said DeBoer. "Last night we didn't; today we did. We need (goalie) Rob (Zepp) to step up and make some key saves. Today he did."

Ottawa coach Brian Kilrea had a simpler explanation for Sunday's outcome: "We didn't play well. They played better than we did. They had a lot more energy for the game."

"We didn't play well enough to win. We made too many turnovers in our own end. Too many mistakes."

Plymouth stumbles in opener

Everything was going according to plan in Game 1 of the Ontario Hockey League Finals, at least in the Plymouth Whalers' perspective. They had scored early and had a two-goal lead — the formula for victory for Plymouth (33-2-2 when leading during the regular season).

Not this time, however. The 67's struck for three goals in the second period and got three more in the third to post a 6-3 victory Saturday at Computware Arena, stealing the opening game and home-ice advantage.

Plymouth's early lead came courtesy of power-play goals by Damian Surma (from Kris Vernarsky and Cole Jarrett) and from Jarrett (from Preston Mizzi and Chad LaRose). Both were scored when first Ottawa's Bryan Rodney and then Jeremy Van Hoof went to the penalty box. Van Hoof on a five-minute major and game misconduct for boarding Stephen Weiss.

Weiss suffered a concussion that forced him out of the rest of the game and Sunday's as well. He will return tonight for Game Three.

Ottawa eliminated Plymouth's lead early in the second period, getting goals from Vadim Sozinov and Zenon Konopka. The 67's took the lead on Luke Sellers' power-play goal with 10:57 remaining in the second.

LaRose re-tied it for the Whalers with 1:22 to go in the second (from Surma and Vernarsky), but Ottawa led it with third-period scores by Konopka, Sozinov and Galbraith.

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