

# Buckaroos and Lords win BCJHL semi-finals

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Kelowna Buckaroos and Langley Lords joined Pen-ticton Broncos and Bellingham Blazers Wednesday night in the British Columbia Junior Hockey League's semi-finals, but not before an unexpectedly tough struggle.

Both teams were winners of their divisions and were meeting the last-place teams in the divisions, but had to struggle to six games before finally winning out.

The Buckaroos did it with elan, stomping Merritt Centennials 9-1, while the Lords did it with the narrowest of margins, getting a goal in the second overtime period to edge Nanaimo Clippers 7-6.

Langley now meets Bellingham, well-rested after conquering Chilliwack Bruins in four straight, while Kelowna goes against nearby Pen-ticton, 4-0 conquerors of Vernon Vikings.

In Nanaimo, Ryan Walter was the hero for the Lords.

Walter Backhanded a rebound over the prostrate Dan Rogers in the Nanaimo net at 5:25 of a second 10-minute overtime to move Langley forward and snuff out Nanaimo's



MARK LOFTHOUSE  
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ARCHIE MCKINNON  
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comeback after trailing 3-0 in the series.

John Gregory had two goals to lead Langley, with Barry Beck, Dave Hatheway, Allen Young and Don Moores getting the others.

Jeff Frketich had two goals and Fenton Gale, Bob Jeffrey, Howard Beamish and Morley Anderson one apiece for the Clippers, who trailed 6-5 going into the final period.

The game was a wide-open one, with Langley bombarding Rogers with 61 shots, while Mark Earp faced 48 in the Lords' net.

In Merritt, the aroused Buckaroos showed no mercy on the Centennials, leading 4-1 at the end of the first period and adding four more in the second.

Mark Lofthouse and Archie McKinnon had two goals each, with others coming from Dale Costanzo, Darryl Ferner, Curt Fraser, Les Strachan and Murray Hanson.

Fred Berry scored the lone Merritt goal.

## Bradley hangs on

OTTAWA (CP) — Doug Bradley's British Columbia rink has taken a commanding lead in the Canadian schoolboy curling championships and Manitoba's Dale Duguid says he deserves it.

The Kelowna rink has a 6-0 won-lost record in the 11-draw round-robin event scheduled to end Friday.

"If they keep going on and win the tournament they deserve it," said Duguid, son of two-time world curling champion Don Guguid, after the seventh round Wednesday night.

"They're a great bunch of guys and an even better bunch

of curlers," said the 18-year-old Winnipeg skip who now is tied in third with Gord Larson's Govan, Sask., rink with a 4-2 wonlost record.

Robb King's Edmonton foursome is second with five wins and one loss.

Ranked behind the top four are Donald Pennell of Saint John, N.B., with a 4-3 record; Sudbury skip Ron Collins, representing Northern Ontario, 3-3; Prince Edward Island, skipped by Bill Jenkins of Charlottetown, 3-4; Peter File of Brampton, Ont., and Doug Paul of Asbestos, Que., 2-4; Stephen Johnston of Truro, N.S., 2-5; and Joseph Butler of St. John's, Nfld., winless in seven starts.