



DENNIS EWANCHUK
... great game

Teams battle to draw

VICTORIA (CP) — Penticton Vees netminder Dennis Ewanchuk turned in a brilliant performance Wednesday night as Nanaimo Clippers and the Vees played to a 1-1 tie in the first game of the 10-point British Columbia Junior Hockey League final.

Ewanchuk stopped 61 shots, while Nanaimo netminder Steve Amiss stopped 38 shots.

Nanaimo took a 1-0 lead in the first period on a goal by George Fritz. John Uvegas tied the score in the second period on a power-play goal.

About 900 fans saw the game, which was played in Victoria because a civic strike in Nanaimo has resulted in the closure of the ice rinks there.

Penticton had 10 of 15 minor penalties.

Nor-Wes Caps thumped in brawl-filled contest

NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C. (CP) — Spruce Grove thumped Nor-Wes Caps of North Vancouver 12-2 in a brawl-filled game Wednesday to take a commanding 3-1 lead in their best-of-seven Centennial Cup junior hockey quarter-final.

The game was delayed nearly two hours by a first-period fight that emptied both benches and spread to the stands. RCMP were called to restore order.

Tony Lecuyer and Kelly Bunn scored three goals each to lead the Alberta champions, who were beaten 8-1 Tuesday when the series shifted here from Alberta.

Gary Plomodon and Darby Hommy scored two goals each for Spruce Grove which also got goals from Tom Biko and Mike Broadfoot. Dino Fita and Barry Berezowsky scored for the Caps.

The winners led 4-0 at the end of the first period and 9-1 by the end of the second.

The brawl, which resulted in 198 minutes in penalties including 18 majors for fighting, broke out at 10:49 of the first

period with Spruce Grove leading 4-0.

BENCHES EMPTIED

Craig Berezowsky of the Caps and Grant Morin of Spruce Grove started the fight which emptied the benches.

Several of the 900 fans attempted to assault the visitors who retaliated by swinging their sticks. Spruce Grove coach Doug Messier, who wielded a goalie stick, was given a gross misconduct.



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