

Knights blank Rustlers

PENTICTON, B.C. (CP) — Cal Brown scored twice to lead Penticton Knights to a 6-0 whitewash of Red Deer Rustlers to take a 3-1 lead in a best-of-seven Centennial Cup quarter-final junior hockey series.

Grant McPhail stopped 36 shots to earn the shutout.

Next game in the series is here tonight.

“We’re not underestimating the team (Red Deer) at all,” said Penticton coach Rick Kozuback. “They’re an excellent hockey team with a lot of spirit and tonight (Monday) they never really got started.

“Red Deer will be as read as they’re ever going to be tomorrow (Tuesday) night. It’s do or die for them so we expect an unbelievable hockey game.

“I know Wynne (Dempster) (Red Deer coach) and I know he’ll have his kids fired up and they’ll be prepared to play. We’ll just have to put the same kind of game in that we put in tonight (Monday).”

Murray Winnicki, Dave Shields, Todd Brost and John DePourcq scored the other Penticton goals.

The Knights held period leads of 3-0 and 4-0.

Darren Turner stopped 26 shots in goal for the Rustlers.