

Bantam Boys? Jets off to the semifinals

The Bierworth Read-Mix Bantams Jets were at home Saturday for game four against Campbellford. The first period was full of action, but with Campbellford getting the lone goal of the period, the Jets were down one heading into the second. The Jets started off the second with a powerplay and they cashed in. Just eight seconds in, Jack Kauffeldt put home a rebound, assisted by both Brodie and Brett Cooney. Brodie Cooney followed that up minutes later, when he knocked in a rebound, assisted by Kauffeldt. The Jets added another one late in the period, scored by Kauffeldt, assisted by Brodie Cooney and Jesse Mountney, to make it 3-1 Jets after two. Three minutes into the third, saw some four-on-four action and Campbellford scored to cut the Jets lead to one. Both teams poured on the pressure and with 2:52 left, Kauffeldt added some insurance for the Jets when he scored to wrap up his hat trick, assisted by Carter Thrower. With less than a minute left, Brodie Cooney finished it off with an empty netter, assisted by Riley Hunt and Alana Jentas, and the Jets won the game 5-2.

Sunday, the Jets were on the road for game five. A minute and 55 seconds in, Campbellford was first on the scoreboard, but the Jets were quick to take control of the game. A minute and 22 seconds later, Easton Morrison started off the Jets scoring with an unassisted goal. The Jets followed that up less than two minutes later, with a goal by Brett Cooney, assisted by Morrison and Chris Poste. Bancroft kept them coming, scoring two more before the end of the period, both scored by Jared McCaskie, the first assisted by Riley Krieger and Brandon Hudder and the second assisted by Hunt. The Jets led 4-1 after the first. Twenty-eight seconds into the second, Mountney knocked one in during a scramble, unassisted. The rest of the period put the Jets penalty kill to the test, as they had to kill off several penalties. They did a great job defensively and Ethan Glecoff, in net for the Jets, made some impressive saves to shut down Campbellford in the second, so it was 5-1 Jets heading into the third. A few minutes in, Campbellford scored, but the Jets weren't about to let them mount a comeback and they shut them down the rest of the game. Kauffeldt wrapped up the scoring for the game with an empty netter and the Jets took the game 6-2 and the series.

The Bantam Jets now advance to the OMHA semifinals where they will face Schomberg.

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