



Waterloo Public's Craig Sebring (2) sends Columbus High's Rick Kemp flying with a first period check in Friday night's district final hockey game at McElroy Auditorium. The Couriers photo by Tim Cochran

# Columbus bounces back 4-3

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Waterloo Public is still looking for its first high school hockey victory over rival Columbus of Waterloo after the Sailors' 4-3 overtime win Friday night in an exciting district final Friday night at McElroy Auditorium.

And, both sides are hoping for a fifth intra-city match this season.

The two advance to the state tournament which begins Thursday in Des Moines. They can meet again in the Sunday afternoon championship game if they win all their preliminary games.

Public came within 7 seconds of its initial victory over Columbus in the 7 times the Waterloo teams have met in 3 years.

The Warriors went ahead 3-2 with just 32 seconds left in regulation. Mike Lamb scored from the right slot while Public enjoyed a 2-skater advantage.

The Public celebration started, but it proved to be premature.

KEVIN LANDAU tied the game up for Columbus with just 7 seconds left when he pushed the puck in past goalie Eric Petersen.

Brian Trowbridge followed with the Sailor winner 53 seconds into overtime. Trowbridge's slap shot from the blue line caught the roof of the goal.

Landau's marker came when both teams were skating one man short. Max Lamb received a holding penalty for Waterloo Public just 6 seconds earlier.

Columbus coach Duke Dutkowski pulled his goalie to get a 5-4 skater advantage.

"It's unfortunate one team had to lose a game like this," said Dutkowski. "Both teams played so well."

"Eric Petersen played a great game

against us as he always seems to do

"They (Columbus) just didn't quit after Public scored that goal with 32 seconds left."

PETERSEN'S brilliant play kept Public in the game for the first two periods.

He allowed just 1 goal while facing 30 shots in those first two periods, making goal-robber saves look commonplace.

Columbus outshot Public 49-29 for the game, including a 14-5 edge in the score-

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less second period

A vocal crowd of 981 attended the thriller.

Jim Naylor scored Columbus first goal when he tapped in a rebound past a fallen Petersen with 11:13 gone in the first stanza.

Freshman Craig Sebring got Public on

the scoreboard 2:44 into the third. He deflected a slap shot past netminder Greg Davis.

Columbus regained a 1-goal lead, 2-1, on Craig Brown's power play slap shot with 4:52 remaining in the game.

Bill Kammeyer tied it up with 2:03 showing on the clock. Kammeyer finished off a rink-long rush by poking the puck in from under a pile of Columbus players to the right of the net.

Then, came the frantic final half minute when Public scored the go-ahead goal and Columbus responded with the tying score.

"YOU CAN'T come much closer than that," said Public coach Dave Swick. "What a tough one to lose."

"You can't say we didn't try, though. 'What a good, good hockey game,' he continued. 'Eric was just fantastic!'"

If a Des Moines district ends as expected Sunday, Public will probably play Iowa High School League division I co-champion Dowling of West Des Moines in a first round game Thursday night.

Columbus would then play a 9:30 p.m. against the Des Moines district runner-up, which will likely be Urbandale. Dowling, like defending state champion Columbus, finished 10-2 in the league while Urbandale was last with an 1-11 record.

Public has split with Dowling while Columbus topped Urbandale twice.

"Maybe it just wasn't in our cards to be Columbus this year," concluded Swick after the disheartening loss. "Not until the state tournament, at least," he quickly added with a grin.

### WATERLOO PUBLIC LINEUP

Goal—Eric Petersen; defense—Bill Kammeyer, Mike Matous, Max Lamb, Tim Moran, Mike Murphy; forwards—Craig Sebring, Bob Juhl, Jim Collins, Todd Jacoby, Dean Richardson, Dana King, Dana Smith, Jay Dineen, Steve Kammeyer, Mike Lamb, Dave Crow, Mike Messner.

### COLUMBUS LINEUP

Goal—Greg Davis; defense—Rick Kemp, Scott Trowbridge, Craig Brown, Dave McIntire, Eric van Pelt, Dennis Ziemer; forwards—Mark Morgan, Andy Fischer, Steve McIntire, Kevin Landau, Charles Boesen, Jim Naylor, Steve Walkenhauer, John Davis, Jeff Jasper, Dan Lichty, Fred Ebbins, Jeff Tassin.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

Waterloo Public..... 0 0 3 0—3  
Columbus..... 1 0 2 1—4

FIRST PERIOD—1, Columbus, Naylor (5, McIntire), 11:13. Penalties—Brown (elbowing), 4:06; Murphy (high-sticking), 12:14; Richardson (tripping), 13:31; Petersen (tripping), 14:04; Public (bench penalty), 15:00.

SECOND PERIOD—Scoring—none. Penalties—Trowbridge (boarding), 4:37; Landau (elbowing), 4:37; Jacoby (high-sticking), 4:49; Max Lamb (interference), 9:14; Morgan (charging), 11:15.

THIRD PERIOD—2, Public, Sebring (King, Matous), 2:44; 3, Columbus, Brown (Trowbridge, Landau), 11:08. 4, Public, 8, Kammeyer (Jacoby, Matous), 12:37. 5, Public, Mike Lamb (Murphy), 14:28; 6, Columbus, Landau (unassisted), 14:52. Penalties—Matous (elbowing), 3:37; Landau (interference), 4:52; Matous (elbowing), 5:40; Jacoby (high-sticking), 7:22; D, McIntire (high-sticking), 7:22; Sebring (holding), 10:42; Landau (checking from behind), 13:48; Boesen (elbowing), 14:18; Max Lamb (holding), 14:42.

### SHOTS ON GOAL

Public..... 10 5 13 1—29  
Columbus..... 16 14 36—49  
Officials—Cliff Mahanik and Scott Zingermann referees; Mike Miller, linesman. A—981.