

# West Des Moines eliminates Metros

WATERLOO, Iowa — The Sioux City Metros suffered a heartbreaking 8-7 overtime loss and were eliminated from the State High School Hockey tournament Saturday.

West Des Moines, a combination of Valley and Dowling High schools, and Rich Moulton in particular, were the culprits. Moulton scored five goals, including the game winner, while adding a pair of assists.

It was a disappointing season finale for the Sioux Cityans, who wrapped up a 4-15 campaign, including a 1-2 record in the state meet.

"We had numerous scoring changes, especially in the first period when we outshot them 21-5," said a team spokesman.

It was a disastrous third period that proved the Metro downfall.

The Sioux City team led 5-4 on a Mick Emerick goal late (13:22) in the second period and 6-4 on another Emerick red-lighter with 8:12 remaining in the game when the pieces began to fall apart.

Metro officials also noted that the last seven penalties called in the game were all against Sioux City, forcing the Metros to skate short-handed for a 9½-minute span. During that time, the Valley/Dowling team scored two crucial power-play goals.

West Des Moines' Moulton struck at 7:46 and 12:10 in the third to knot the game at 6-all, before Sioux City's Doug Richou beat goalie Scott Geiger with only 1:46 remaining.

But the Sioux Cityans couldn't hold the one-goal advantage. Moulton picked up his fourth marker of the

game with only 58 seconds of regulation time left.

That shot forced overtime and the Valley/Dowling team won it 5:46 into overtime with Moulton again claiming the honors.

The winning goal came when the Metro defense was caught out of position, Moulton taking a pass from Scott Krueger and beating an unprotected goaltender Chris Engel.

Richou and Troy Levich each scored twice for the Metros, who also got a second-period goal from Kirk Swanson.

The game wrapped up the prep careers for four Metro seniors — Ted O'Brien, Chap Cuthbert and foreign exchange student (Holland) Marcel Van Eijck of North and Richou of West.

## Summary

First period: 1, West Des Moines—Rich Moulton (Neal Appleton, Ryan Anderson) 1:14; 2, Sioux City—Troy Levich (un.) 6:07. Penalties: Forreth, WDM, 4:15; Anderson, WDM, 11:33.

Second period: 3, Sioux City—Doug Richou (Chap Cuthbert) 4:12; 4, Sioux City—Kirk Swanson (Mick Emerick) 7:03; 5, West Des Moines—Scott Krueger (Moulton) 7:14; 6, West Des Moines—Krueger (Moulton) 11:23; 7, Sioux City—Levich (Tom O'Brien) 12:11; 8, West Des Moines—John Moulton (un.) 12:41; 9, Sioux City—Emerick (Swanson) 13:22. Penalties: Anderson, DM, 6:04; Cuthbert, SC, 6:44; Cuthbert, SC, 8:51; Swartzel, SC, 14:19.

Third period: 10, Sioux City—Emerick (Ted O'Brien) 6:48; 11, West Des Moines—R. Moulton (J. Moulton) 7:46; 12, West Des Moines—R. Moulton (Brad Houck, Krueger) 12:10; 13, Richou (unassisted) 13:14; 14, West Des Moines—R. Moulton (unassisted) 14:02. Penalties: Van Eijck, SC, 3:27; Swartzel, SC, 4:19; Schmith, SC, 8:10, Rol, SC, 10:36.

Overtime: 15, West Des Moines—R. Moulton (Krueger, Steve George) 5:46. Penalties: None.

Score by periods:  
Sioux City..... 1 4 2 0 — 7  
West Des Moines..... 1 3 3 1 — 8

Shots on goal:  
Sioux City..... 21 12 7 1 — 41  
West Des Moines..... 5 8 15 5 — 33

Goalies: Chris Engel, Sioux City; Scott Geiger, West Des Moines.