

# Mason City winds up sixth in state hockey

**DES MOINES** — Scott Kruger of Valley/Dowling scored a goal with three seconds remaining to give his club a 4-3 victory over Mason City on the final day of the Iowa High School Hockey League state tournament here Sunday.

Waterloo Public downed Ames 4-3 in the championship game to win the state tournament.

Des Moines Urbandale won the battle for third place with a 6-3 win over Sioux City.

Mason City, which won one of three games here the past weekend, placed sixth in the tournament.

Mason City had tied the contest with 41 seconds remaining in the third period on a goal by Jim Lloyd, with assists from Matt Pete and George Pappajohn.

Kruger broke behind the defense and on a pass from Troy Rinke and shot the puck past goaltender Doug Tarr, who was taken out of the game

earlier in the period but inserted back into the contest with nine seconds remaining.

"It took us awhile to get started. We didn't start playing really well until the second period," Mason City coach Steve McMahon said.

Five Mason City players received honorable mention status on the all-tournament team: Jim Lloyd, Scott Swanson, Dirk Courrier, Chris Steward and Todd Thelen.

## Summary

Mason City..... 012 - 3  
Valley/Dowling..... 202 - 4

**FIRST PERIOD** — Troy Rinke (V/D), unassisted, 2:01. Scott Kruger (V/D), unassisted, 2:42.

**SECOND PERIOD** — George Pappajohn (MC), unassisted, 10:22.

**THIRD PERIOD** — Brad Houck (V/D), unassisted, 6:48. Dustin Dueau (MC), assists from Coley Murphy and Scott Swanson, 13:25. Jim Lloyd (MC), assists from Matt Pete and Pappajohn, :41. Kruger (V/D), assist Rinke, :3.

**Shots on goal** — Mason City 12-11-13—36. Valley/Dowling 19-6-8—33. **Goaltenders:** Doug Tarr (MC), Scott Gieger (V/D).

**Penalties:** Mason City 7 for 14 minutes. Valley/Dowling 7 for 16.