

Metros finish fifth

WATERLOO, Iowa — The Sioux City Metros salvaged a fifth-place finish in the Iowa High School Hockey League tournament here Sunday, rallying from behind to clip the Omaha Gladiators 4-3.

The defending champions were knocked to the consolation bracket with a 3-2 loss to Ames on Friday, then clipped Waterloo 2-1. Sioux City, which had reached the title game three times in the last four years, finished with a 17-10 overall record.

Goals by Sam Kincaid and Bob Jaynes erased a 3-2 deficit against the Gladiators heading into the third period. Kincaid's goal at 6:14 of the third period was his second, while Jaynes snapped the tie with a red lighter at 11:07.

Walt Johnson staked the Metros to a 1-0 lead, scoring at 5:49 of the first period, but Omaha's Cory Nelson then rattled off a hat trick. Nelson lit the light twice in the first period and once in the second before Kincaid's first goal at 5:41 of the second.

Matt Sewalson and Dirk Worner shared goaltending duties for the Metros, combining to turn back 23 shots.

"This was more of a moral victory than anything," said Metros Coach

Jim Peck. "Being eliminated in the first round was a big disappointment and somewhat shocking.

"We needed to win our consolation bracket to prove to ourselves and the other teams in the league that Sioux City will be in the hunt for the title next year."

Four Metro players were among 22 from the IHSHL selected to take part in the Chicago Showcase Tournament, a prestigious high school tournament that includes teams from across the country.

Forwards Nate Kelly of East and Mike Stoneburg of North, along with defensemen Seth Schramm of East and Chris Hedquist of South Sioux City were named to the IHSHL squad.

First period: Sioux City — Walt Johnson (unassisted) 5:49, 2, Omaha — Cory Nelson (unassisted), 3, Nelson (unassisted). **Penalties:** Ferrell, O, 1:26; Hedquist, SC, 1:26; Sewalson, SC, 1:52; Nelson, O, 4:18; Strong, SC, 4:18; Heyns, SC, 8:47; Doren, SC, 13:08; Doren, SC, 13:08; Haferbick, O, 13:08; Andrews, SC, 15:00.

Second period: 4, Omaha — Nelson (Ryan Perrell) :52, 5, Sioux City — Sam Kincaid (Aaron Olson) 5:41. **Penalties:** Juon, SC, 2:48; Strong, SC, 2:48; Caniglia, O, 2:48; Schuman, O, 5:05; Schramm, SC, 5:05; Nelson, O, 8:54; Johnson, SC, 10:42.

Third period: 6, Sioux City — Kincaid (Nate Kelly, Mark Doren) 6:14, 7, Sioux City — Robert Jaynes (unassisted) 11:07. **Penalties:** None.

Score by periods:

Omaha.....	2	1	0	— 3
Sioux City.....	1	1	2	— 4

Shots on goal:

Omaha.....	6	8	12	— 26
Sioux City.....	8	7	11	— 24

Goalkeepers: Brett Roth, Omaha; Dirk Worner, Matt Sewalson, Sioux City.

Referee: Steve Kammeyer. **Linesmen —** Al Stoltz, Bill Goinvauk.