Metros tumble in state tourney

MASON CITY, Iowa - Matt Paulson and Jake Sorenson each provided a goal and an assist as Mason City upended the Sioux City Metros 5-2 here Friday in the first round of the Iowa High School Hockey League state tournament.

Ben Deck gave Sioux City a 1-0 lead with a red-lighter at the 8-minute mark of the first period but Paulson tied it 1-1 just 1:19 later.

Mason City pulled in front, 3-1, by scoring the first two goals of the second period at 47 seconds and 6:23, respectively. Brett Slice posted the gamewinning goal for the tournament hosts, who finished second in the IHSHL East Division standings during the regular season.

Brian Swanson scored at 10:35 of the second stanza for Sioux City, the third-place team out of the IHSHL West.

The Metros play Dubuque in an 11:15 a.m. losers bracket game today.