

# Wheat Kings best Bombers

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The Brandon Source for Sports Wheat Kings saved their best for last and it helped them capture the Bantam A championship Sunday morning at Westman Place at the 40th annual Maple Leaf/Victoria Inn Tournament of Champions.

In a battle of undefeated Westman teams, the Wheat Kings hammered the Minnedosa Bombers 9-4 to finish the tournament a perfect 5-0.

"We knew we had to be at our best to win," said Brandon assistant coach Jason Rathwell. "They've got a couple good players on that team, some bigger boys, but we stepped it up a couple notches and played a good game."

Right winger Tyson Cloet led Brandon with three goals and an assist, while Tanner Fluker, Kelby Minshull and Josh Danis had three assists each. Four others had two points for the Wheat Kings, including Brad Parly and Tanner Jago who had two goals each.

Brady Ingenmey replied with two goals and an assist for Minnedosa, with Sam Ross and Julien Merasty also finding the score sheet.

Bo Yeomans stopped 10 shots between the pipes for Brandon, while Dustin Burgess and Owen Griffiths combined to make 23 saves in the Minnedosa net.

Brandon opened up a 2-0 lead before Minnedosa tied the game early in the second period. The teams exchanged goals a few minutes later to even things at 3-3, but the Wheaties took charge from there scoring five more times in the period, with each team adding another in the final frame.

"This feels great, I love it,"



Netminder Owen Griffiths of the Minnedosa Bombers makes a glove save during the third period of Tournament of Champions hockey action against the Brandon Wheat Kings at Westman Place on Sunday morning. (Tim Smith/Brandon Sun)

said Fluker, who finished with three goals and six assists in the tournament. "That was our best team game of the tournament. We knew that they were going to come out hitting, but we battled through that. We were trying to be more physical because they are

a big and strong team and it got pretty physical out there."

Minnedosa used its physical play to cruise through its first four games of the tournament, scoring a division-high 33 goals with only eight against. While the Bombers showed flashes of great play that got

them to the final, the Bombers just couldn't compete with a hungry Brandon squad on this day.

"It's a bit disappointing," said Minnedosa coach Charlie Sanson. "It was an excellent tournament and we had four good games before this, but

this was just a tough game."

The Bombers struggled to come back once they fell behind in the second period, but Sanson said his team's undisciplined play didn't help anything. Minnedosa had four minor penalties and two 10-minute misconducts in the

contest.

"The penalties really hurt us. We had one of our better players leave the game early and that set us back a little and then we tried to fight our way back, but we just ran out of gas," Sanson said. » Brandon Sun

## Brandon rolls to Bantam title

The Brandon Bantam AA Wheat Kings beat the Springfield Icehawks 6-4 Sunday afternoon at the Optimist Arena to win the Bantam AA championship at the 40th annual Maple Leaf/Victoria Inn Tournament of Champions.

Scott Bickerton, Cole McCaig, Rikki Alston, Brayden Cuthbert, Tyson Holder and Cody Nelson all scored for Brandon.

Brett Cote, Tyler McGurry, Brett Allen and Jeffrey Bleue replied with goals for Springfield.

Here's a look at how everyone else fared on Championship Sunday.

### BANTAM AA

**MacDonald Lightning 7**

**Moose Mountain Wild 3**

The bronze went to MacDonald thanks to Jared Morris' three goals and three assists. Dennis Millar had two goals and four assists and Jordan Polanski had a goal and three assists for the Lightning.

**Brandon Wheat Kings 3**

**Moose Mountain Wild 0**

Cole McCaig had a goal and an assist to help the Wheaties advance to the final.

**Springfield Icehawks 8**

**MacDonald Lightning 5**

Brett Allen who had three goals and an assist to lead Springfield to the final.

### BANTAM A

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**Minnedosa Bombers 4**

Brandon won gold led by Tyson Cloet who had three

goals and an assist.

**Notre Dame 4**

**Varsity View 3**

Mathieu Vigier scored the overtime winner as Notre Dame won bronze. Vigier finished with three points.

**Moose Jaw Warriors 7**

**Pembina Chargers 5**

Mitch Holik and Brett Yates had four points each for the Warriors as they won the consolation final.

**MIDGET A**

**Beausejour Comets 3**

**California Wave 2**

Brett Keilbach scored the shootout winner for the Comets in the championship final.

**Estevan PM & R Bruins 10**

**Varsity View 3**

Matthew Stepp had three goals and three assists to lead the Bruins to a win in the consolation final.

**California Wave 5**

**Holland Rockets 2**

Jackson Braniff and Hunter Costin combined for five points to lead the Wave to a semifinal win.

**Beausejour Comets 4**

**Flin Flon Bombers 3**

Sheldon Adam had two goals for the Comets as they beat the Bombers in the other semifinal.

**MIDGET AA**

**Yorkton Terriers 4**

**Notre Dame Hounds 0**

Jordyn Cross, Nathan Shabatura, Terence Shewchuk and Regan Camrud all scored to help the Terriers win the championship final. » Brandon Sun



Goalie Bo Yeomans of the Brandon Wheat Kings pumps his fist while celebrating the Wheat Kings gold medal victory over of the Minnedosa Bombers in Tournament of Champions hockey action at Westman Place on Sunday morning. (Tim Smith/Brandon Sun)

## McGeough lifts Kings past Blades

Cam McGeough scored the decisive goal in a shootout to lead the Dauphin Kings to a 4-3 win over the lowly Beausejour Blades Sunday night in the Manitoba Junior Hockey League.

In other action it was:

Waywayseecappo Wolverines 9, Neepawa Natives 2; Portage Terriers 7, Winkler Flyers 4.

At Dauphin, McGeough also had a

goal in regulation as did Dauphin product Luke Stokoteln and Brandonite Bryan Kauk.

Tyler Prentice, James Beebe-Brand and Nick Stelmack scored for the Blades.

**Wolverines 9 Natives 2**

At Wayway, Sean Collins had a goal and three assists while Brandonite Brock Turner also scored and set up three others.

Elkhorn's Jason Bowles scored and added three assists, Brandonite Paul Marcoux scored and set up two goals, and fellow Brandon boy Kory Kimpinski added three assists. Mariapolis' Paul Van De Velde scored and added an assist.

For Neepawa, Braeden Lattanzi and Shael Hechter both had a goal and an assist.

**Terriers 7 Flyers 4**

At Winkler, Brandonite Blair Osiowy registered his first MJHL points with a pair of assists for the Flyers. Miniota's Nat Howard also had an assist.

Jeremy Dawes and Mike Audino scored twice each for the Terriers and Deloraine's Cory More had an assist.

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### In Brief

#### UBC GETS NO.3 SEED

A pair of Brandonites now know where their respective university volleyball teams will be slotted for this weekend's national championship tournament.

Canadian Interuniversity Sport released the seedings for the tournament in Laval, Que., on Sunday and the UBC Thunderbirds — with head coach Richard Schick, a Brandon product — are seeded third and will take on the Dalhousie Tigers in Friday's first-round match. The T-Birds were swept in the Canada West conference final by the Alberta Golden Bears, who will come in with the top seed.

Meanwhile, Brandon's Dustin Addison-Schneider, the fifth-year setter for the Winnipeg Wesmen, will lead the defending national champions into the tournament as the No. 7 seed. The Wesmen play the OUA champion McMaster Marauders, who were 20-0 in regular season play.

#### COMETS WIN

Mike Pitman had two goals, including the game-winner, to lead the Grandview Comets to a 5-4 win over the Minnedosa Bombers in Game 2 of the best-of-five NorthCentral Hockey League quarter-final series in Minnedosa.

Kyle Lopez also had two goals and Brett Ewanyshyn also scored for the Comets.

For Minnedosa, Brent Madill had two goals, while Devin Foord and Kyle Grier also scored.

In other action, the Reston Rockets finished a sweep of the Oak Lake Icemen with a 7-6 win in Reston. Landon Brockman scored twice and had an assist and Derrus Grey had three assists for the Rockets. Landon Desjardin and Darrin Nichol had two goals each for the Icemen.

At Elkhorn, the Roblin Northstars took a 2-0 series lead on the Miniota/Elkhorn 56ers with a 5-2 win. Tyler Carefoot paced the winners with two goals and an assist. Tyler Mitchell and Kelsey McLeod had the 56ers goals. » Brandon Sun