

Quebec Team 2005 Games

Quebec Tournament Game 3

Tournament Game 3 - Connecticut Whalers 4 Hershey Jr. Bears 1

The Hershey Jr. Bears road to the Pee wee International Championship ended sadly yesterday with a 4-1 loss to the Connecticut Whalers. From the drop of the opening puck the speedy Whalers gave the Boys from Chocolatetown a game of all games to be played. The contest was played in front of an enthusiastic crowd of 5,000 spectators at the historic Pepsi Colisee in downtown Quebec.

Breaking a trend all week, the opposing Whalers scored first with a goal at 7:21 of the first period.

Although the Jr. Bears had a couple of scoring opportunities the score after one period was Whalers 1 Jr. Bears 0.

The second period the Whalers continued to apply the pressure as they scored 2 goals to take a 3 – 0 lead after two periods.

Down but not out, the Jr. Bears sprang back to life with a goal to open the 3rd period. Andrew Beamenderfer scored a goal at 10:23 with assists from Ryan Frear and Jake Brightbill. The Jr. Bears comeback fell short when the Whalers scored a few minutes later to close out the 4 to 1 win. After the game the Jr. Bears proudly skated around the rink carrying the Hershey Chocolatetown Banner to the delight of the crowd.

The parents and coaches were very proud of the effort put forth by the boys during their 10-month journey toward the championship. Starting with clinics in April, tryouts in May, summer camp in June & July, a team building weekend in August, an exhibition season from September to January and being billeted by a Quebec family the week of the tournament, the boys experienced great memories and forged life long friendships. We would like to thank all of the boys for a great year: Gabe Antoni, Andrew Beamenderfer, Ciccio Biundo, Jake Brightbill, Marc Cardin, Pat Darling, Zach Emerson, Ryan Frear, Thane Heller, Johnny Hrabovsky, Jono Kashmere, Danny Keich, Nick Lieback, Alex Machikas, Nick Mantz, Nick Micheal, Collin O'Neil, Graham Rumsey, Kevin Russell, Jimmy Smith, Dustin Stuck and Kenny Wenk.

Thanks for the Memories!



Quebec Tournament Game 2

Bears beat Slovenia 2-0

The Hershey Jr. Bears won a hard fought physical game this afternoon against Slovenia at the Pepsi Colisee 2 – 0 allowing them to advance into the 3rd round of the Pee wee International tournament. The Bears had to match the physical play of the bigger and stronger Slovenia team to win the tightly contested game.

Continuing a trend all week long, the Jr. Bears struck first to take the early lead.

At 4:48 of the first period, Jimmy Smith found the back of the net when he launched a howitzer from the blue line with his Sherwood 50/30 providing the Bears their first score. The goal was assisted by Marc Cardin and Collin O'Neil.

Slovenia used their size to hold Hershey at check during a penalty filled second period.

The third period was a continuation of the second, with Hershey putting a second goal in the net at 1:40. Nick Michael's snap shot was deflected onto Ryan Frear's stick who put it in the back of the net to give Hershey its final tally.

The Papa Bear of the day was the goalie, Gabe Antoni, who received a shut out with some outstanding saves. Final shots on goal were 19 to 15 in favor of Hershey.

The Jr. Bears continue their quest for the Cup by playing the Connecticut Whalers on Friday February 18th at 7:15pm at the Pepsi Colisee in downtown Quebec.



Exhibition Game 4

Hershey Jr. Bears 4 Sackville Flyers (Nova Scotia) 0 Wednesday 2/16/05

The Hershey Jr. Bears continued their winning ways by taking down the Pee wee AA Sackville Flyers from Nova Scotia, 4 – 0, in an exhibition game at ReJean-Lemelin Arena. After a day off snow tubing at Valcartier, the Jr. Bears looked well rested and ready to play.

The first period was played very conservatively as the teams traded shots. The score was tied 0 – 0 with Hershey outshooting Sackville 9 to 7.

Lightening struck quickly for Hershey in the second period when they tallied 2 goals within 14 seconds to take the lead. The first goal was scored by Ryan Frear at the 4:18 mark with assists from Thane Heller and Jake Brightbill. Fourteen seconds later Zach Emerson took a beautiful pass from Andrew Beamenderfer and buried it in the back of the net, to give the Boys from Chocolatetown a 2-0 lead. The shots for the second period were 10 to 5 in Hershey's favor.

The Jr. Bears kept the momentum into the third period with Heller scoring a goal at 1:24, with assists to Frear and Ciccio Biundo. The final tally came on the most exciting play in hockey; a penalty shot. Nick Lieback lit the lamp with a spectacular backhand shot that left the opposing goalie grasping for air. Gabe Antoni and Kevin Russell closed the door for Hershey preserving the shutout. The final shots for the game were 27 to 23 in favor of the Jr. Bears.

Hershey's penalty kill was strong throughout the game, led by the efforts of Dustin Stuck, Marc Cardin, Jono Kashmere and Johnny Hrabovsky. The Bears will play their 2nd tournament game on Thursday, Feb. 16th, at 11:45a.m. against Slovenia at the Pepsi Colisee in downtown Quebec.



Quebec Tournament Game 1

Bears beat Cap-Breton Screaming Eagles 7-1

The Hershey Jr. Bears opened their 45th Pee wee International Tournament with a bang, beating the Cap-Breton Screaming Eagles 7-1. The game was played at the Pepsi Colisee in downtown Quebec, home of the former Quebec Nordiques.

The Jr. Bears hit the ice in full force and dominated play throughout the whole game.

Hershey scored 1:03 into the 1st period on a goal by Nick Lieback from a perfectly placed pass from Marc Cardin. Seven seconds later, Colin O'Neil lit the red light with an assist from Zach Emerson. At 4:45 of the period, Danny Keich scored on a nice feed from Zach Emerson. Hershey continued to circle the Screaming Eagle's net but did not score again in the period.

Although the second period resulted in no goals the Jr. Bears continued to apply pressure to the Screaming Eagles' nest. The Bears' persistence and patience paid off in the 3rd period as they wore down their opposition and took full control of the game. Cape Breton opened the last period with a goal at 5:48, but after that it was all Hershey. At the 7:00 minute mark Jake Brightbill scored with the assist from Keich to start the Bears down the home stretch. Fourteen seconds later, Ryan Frear scored on an assist from Andrew

Beamenderfer. Seven seconds later, Frear rang home another goal assisted from Beamenderfer and Thane Heller. The three goals scored in a mere 21 seconds broke a Quebec International Peeewe World Record.

Now, with the game in hand, the Jr. Bears closed out the scoring at 8:46 with a goal by Emerson with assists from Alex Machikas and Johnny Hrabovsky.

Gabe Antoni and Kevin Russell provided outstanding support in the net.

The Jr. Bears will receive a well earned rest and will return to tournament action on Thursday February 17th at 11:45am against Slovenia.



Exhibition Game 3 - Hershey Jr. Bears 10 Charlesbourg Caribou 1 Sunday 2/13/05

The Hershey Jr. Bears swept their doubleheader today by taking the night cap 10 – 1 against the Charlesbourg Caribou at the renowned ReJean-Lemelin Arena named after the famous Boston Bruin goalie. The Bears took command of the game from the drop of the puck and never let the Caribou get comfortable. The boys from Chocolatetown scored two goals in the first period, the first by Andrew Beamenderfer with an assist from Ryan Frear, the second was scored by Marc Cardin with an assist from Ciccio Biundo.

The second period opened up with a goal by the Charlesbourg Caribou to cut the lead to 2-1. The Jr. Bears struck back hard and fast by scoring 3 unanswered goals. The first goal was scored by Frear assisted by Beamenderfer, the second goal was scored by Zach Emerson assisted by Beamenderfer and the third goal was scored by Thane Heller assisted from Frear and Beamenderfer.

The Caribou hunt ended when the Jr. Bears scored 5 goals in the 3rd period to close out the game. The goals were scored by : Heller assisted by Nick Lieback, Cardin unassisted, Lieback unassisted, Graham Rumsey assisted by Cardin and Lieback, and the final score was by Frear unassisted.

Gabe Antoni and Kevin Russell did a great job keeping the opposing Caribou from wandering into the net.

Johnny Hrabovsky and Nick Mantz know as the “freshman defensemen” got the call and responded to a penalty kill in the second period with a steadfast performance. Collin O’Neil and Jonathan Kashmere contributed equally with relentless pressure and tape to tape passing keeping the Bears strong.

After a good nights rest the Jr. Bears will finally play their first tournament game on Monday night at 6pm against the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles at the Pepsi Colisee in downtown Quebec.



Exhibition Game 2 - Hershey Jr. Bears 7 Laval 1 Sunday 2/13/05

The Hershey Jr. Bears opened up the first game of a Sunday double header, with a 7-1 victory over Laval of Quebec City. This game was played at the classic indoor mall of Les Galeries de la Capitale under rumbling roller coasters and a brightly lit Ferris wheel.

The Bears jumped out to an early lead and never looked back. The first goal came at 13:08 of the first period from Andrew Beamenderfer with the assist from Thane Heller. The Bears scored a short-handed goal with 1:52 left in the first period, when Heller received a pass from Ryan Frear and buried the biscuit in the back of the net.

The Bears continued to apply pressure when Heller found the back of the net again from a pass from Beamenderfer. Nick Lieback tallied a power play goal with an assist from Jake Brightbill at 10:30 in

the second period.

Laval got on the board at 6:51 of the second period, but Hershey answered right back with an unassisted goal by Ryan Frear. The second period ended with the third goal for Heller assisted by Beamenderfer, giving Heller the hat trick.

Lieback started the third period with an unassisted goal. From there on out neither team scored. Kevin Russell and Ken Wenk shared goal-tending duties and closed the door for the Jr. Bears.

With this victory under their belts the boys from Chocolatetown are ready to take on the next opponent this evening.

Exhibition Game 1 - Quebec Team vs. St. Anne's Prep School

After a whole night's travel with little rest and high energy the Jr. Bears unloaded their bus to face off against Saint Anne's prep school. The bears were witnessed walking into the rink with flannel P.J. bottoms baggy sweatshirts, although uniform about the team were their new Hershey Bears beanie hats.

The first period started out to be pretty well matched, and St. Anne's lit up the board first. The bears answered quickly with a goal from Thane Heller and assisted by Ryan Frear. An explosion was on the rise, in 53 seconds the Bears scored two more goals. They were scored by Andrew Beamenderfer and Thane Heller, respectively. Assisting Beamenderfer was Jimmy Smith and Heller's goal was unassisted. At the end of the 1st period the score was 3-1 Hershey. Shots on goal showed true to the score with Hershey out shooting St. Anne's 11 to 7.

The 2nd period started out well, Nick Lieback scored from a pass from Ciccio Biundo to give the boys from Chocolate Town a 4-1 lead. St. Anne's wasn't going to just let the Bears take over their house. They came back to score 3 unanswered goals and tied the score at four a piece. The period ended in a tie.

During the 3rd period the Bears' lack of rest started to show. St. Anne's was on their feet and ready to win. They scored one more goal to make the final score 5-4.

For a little fun at the end of the game both teams participated in a shoot out. Each player got a chance to shoot and the Bears came out on top 7-5.

The three goalies Kenny Wenk, Kevin Russel, and, Gabe Antoni showed excellent skills as they blocked the opposing team shots.



2004-2005 Hershey Jr Bears Quebec Team

Gabriel	Antoni	Danny	Keich
Andrew	Beamenderfer	Nicholas	Lieback
Ciccio	Biundo	Alex	Machikas
Jacob	Brightbill	Nicholas	Mantz
Marc	Cardin	Nick	Michael
Patrick	Darling	Collin	O'Neil
Zachary	Emerson	Graham	Rumsey
Ryan	Frear	Kevin	Russell
Thane	Heller	Jimmy	Smith
Johnny	Hrabovsky	Dustin	Stuck
Jonathan	Kashmere	Kenneth	Wenk

