

SPORT OF KINGS

Eastern Kings Outfits Reach Semi-Final Round

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Two teams from the Eastern King's area have advanced as far as Island intermediate semi-finals. The Souris Crossbones defeated Murray Harbour in three straight games to win their King's County intermediate "B" finals, and will now advance in the semi-finals. Morell Beavers defeated Souris Royals three games to one to annex the King's County intermediate "C" championship and will now advance to the Island semi-finals against the Prince County winners.

Georgetown in four straight, and with their three wins over Murray Harbour gives them an unbeaten record in seven playoff games. Morell beat Peakes-St. Peters in four straight, and so have seven wins and one loss in playoff games to date.

HOW WILL WE DO?

How will we do? It is really hard to predict with teams that have never played against each other. But, the majority that have seen both the Bulldogs and Crossbones say that it should be a close exciting series, with a possible slight edge in favor of Souris. The majority of opinion also seem to feel that the Prince County winner should prove too strong for Morell. Knowing

Morell, however, know that they play much better in the role of the underdog.

The Souris-Murray Harbour series just completed turned out as predicted to be a real rugged affair. As it turned out, however, the penalty parades did not get underway until the games were well away. We witnessed the first and third games in Souris, and in both games, thought that there was an excessive number of trips to the sin bin. We have no objections to rugged hockey, nor do we have any objections to players getting penalties, if it is in the act of possibly preventing a goal.

We'll carry it a bit farther, and say that, in a close game, with tempers a bit edgy, we can understand the odd major along the way. It's those usual silly minor penalties we object to, and there was far too many of that type in the Crossbones-Bruins series.

The biggest trouble that the Crossbones have had since the

outstanding. Usually Buddy has an easier time than his man in the opposing end, but this year, with Souris short-handed he's had some rugged times. In every case to date he's been able to come through with some real sensational stops. Rollie Jensen, playing defense this year, has looked very good, and has been a key man in the power play. Fan MacIntyre is looking better than he has in a couple of years.

Carl Peters is having his best season since coming up to "B" hockey. Not only is he scoring points, but his right uppercut is working to perfection. Bill MacLaren is having his best playoff season to date. It's been a rugged schedule to date, but this boy seems to relish that type of hockey. The others are looking good, and all in all, this team should provide the opposition with plenty of troublesome minutes before anything is decided.

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WIN DUNHAM ROSE BOWL

The Myron Bell rink of Charlottetown captured the Dunham Rose Bowl in Confederation Bonspiel play at

the City Club last night, members of the winning rink are (left to right) Myron Bell, James Roach MacGregor, Au-

drey MacKinnon and Inez Gallant. The runner-up rink skipped by Al MacLeod, is also from Charlottetown. Other rinks capturing prizes were

Alhod Robertson, Ken MacDonaid and Pete Sinclair of Montague and Gordon Stewart and Sterling Macdonald of Charlottetown.

Royals Top Combines 6-4 In Come From Behind Win

Sandy's Royals, fighting to stay in contention in the Island Intermediate "A" finals, fought back from a 3-0 deficit to down Prince County Combines 6-4 before a packed house at the Sports Arena last night. Royals trail in the best of seven series 2-1.

The Royals were missing the services of regular goalie Butch Ward, with the first star forward Angie Carroll, sitting out a suspension and sparkplug Billy Mulligan, recuperating from a serious injury, suffered in the series opener. Loyal MacIntyre of Morell replaced Ward between the pipes and gave a standout performance.

Combines stormed in for three goals within a three minute span early in the first period before the Royals could get on the scoreboard and at the time it appeared as if the game would be a lopsided affair but the Royals rallied for the victory.

Vince Mulligan, brother of injured Billy, provided the spark for the City ruckers. The aim forward scored one goal, assisted on two others and was easily the hardest working player on the ice.

Apps Arsenault scored two goals for the winners with Jim MacLeod, Alan Smet, Gillis and Buck Whitlock adding singles.

Playing coach Gord Cuthill was in on all four Combine goals, scoring three himself and setting up the fourth.

MacIntyre, making his first appearance in league action this season, was called on to make some great saves and over the sixty minute span made a total of 24 stops compared to 32 by Combine cager Thane "Whitey" Mann.

Referee Don Whalen and his assistants Joe Coyne and Leroy Barnett, had a busy night. Whalen handed out a total of 24 penalties including four majors, 14 of them going to the Royals. Combine rearguard Heck Walsh and Apps Arsenault drew majors for fighting in the opening period and in the dying minutes of the game Walsh and Buddy MacIntyre drew 5-minute penalties for a tussle deep in Combine territory.

OPENS SCORING
The game was less than five minutes old when Gord Cuthill and the puck from Royal defenceman Junior MacLeod and flipped it into the mesh and 12 seconds later he gave the Combines a 2-0 lead when he batted in a loose puck during a scramble in front of the Royal net. Benny Grady made

it 3-0 at the 7:45 mark when he grabbed Gord Cuthill's rebound and lodged it behind MacIntyre.

The Royals finally got on the scoreboard at the 13:42 mark when Buck Whitlock slapped Vince Mulligan's rebound behind Mann. Mulligan had shot from 25 feet out. With less than two minutes remaining in the opening period Mulligan was set up by teammates Stu McLure and Reeves directly in front of the Combine cage and Vince made no mistake, making the score read 3-2.

Jim MacLeod put the Royals up even with the Prince County team at the 5:47 mark of the sandwich session, beating Mann with a close-in shot. Combines were shortanded at the time with Sark sitting out a minor.

Smet's Gillis put the winners in front for the first time less than five minutes later when he batted one in. The Combines argued that the shot had been snocked in with a high stick

but the goal was allowed.

Apps Arsenault scored his first of a pair with a high 15-footer at the 3:50 mark of the final frame and at the 6:06 mark Gord Cuthill rounded out his hat trick after being set up by Benny Grady.

Arsenault closing out the scoring at the 12:47 mark when he slipped Vince Mulligan's rebound behind the busy Summerville cager.

SUMMARY

First Period—1. Combines—G. Cuthill (unassisted) 4:50; 2. Combines—G. Cuthill (unassisted) 5:02; 3. Combines—B. Grady (G. Cuthill) 7:45; 4. Royals B. Whitlock (V. Mulligan) 13:42; 5. Royals—V. Mulligan (Stu McLure—Reeves) 15:34. Penalties—G. Grady, D. Carroll 11; 2. Walsh (major), A. Arsenault (major) 2:37; Reeves 4:17; S. McLure (10-minute misconduct) 4:17; 10-minute misconduct) 4:17; 10-minute misconduct) 4:17.

Second Period—4. Royals (B. Whitlock, D. Tingley) 9:47; 7. Royals—Gill

is (Josey) 10:40. Penalties:—Walsh 2:45; Sark 8:58; MacIntyre 11:46; G. Grady 12:15; Junior MacLeod 18:48; Whitlock 18:51.

Third Period:—8. Royals—Arsenault (Whitlock, Reeves) 3:50; 9. Combines—G. Cuthill (B. Grady) 6:06; 10. Royals—A. Arsenault (V. Mulligan, Junior MacLeod) 12:47. Penalties—White, Josey 9:06; Gillis 10:22; Walsh 10:43; Sark 10:58; A. Walsh (major), B. MacIntyre (major) 18:44.

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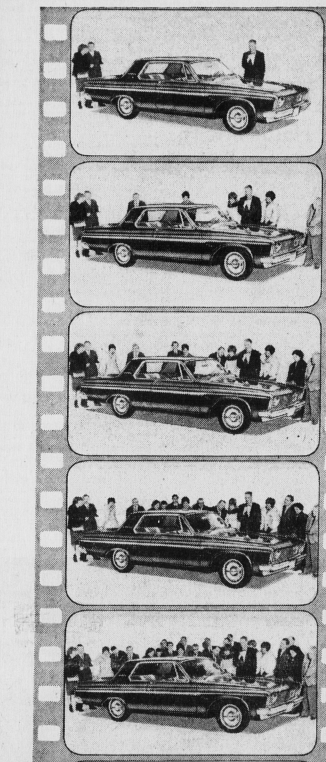
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