

RAMPINELLI'S FOUR-GOAL GAME STICKS OUT THURSDAY



Games of December 20:

SAN DIEGO 4, HINTON 1—**Jakub Vesely** had a two-goal game for the second day in a row, and **Aaron Parson** stopped 18 of 19 shots, as the San Diego Sabers defeated the Hinton Wildcats 4-1 in the Thursday's first game. San Diego is now 2-0-0 at the Western States Shootout and Hinton is 0-2-0.

UTAH 9, SEATTLE 3—The Utah Outliers bounced back nicely from a loss on Wednesday, scoring seven goals in the second half for a 9-3 win over the Seattle Totems. Utah's **Nicholas Ness** scored three goals and assisted on another, and **Matt Bartel** had a goal and two assists. Seattle goalie **Benjamin Colvin** was on the losing end, but made 35 saves for the Totems.

EL PASO 4, BELLINGHAM 0—**Nils Velm** posted the shutout for El Paso, making 19 saves as the Rhinos defeated the Bellingham Blazers 4-0, in a battle of division leaders. **John Erramousepe** scored a goal in each half while **Adam Stalzer** (1-2-3)

and **Justin Cole-Dubecky** (0-3-3) each picked up points on three of the four El Paso goals. **Edward Coffey** made 35 saves for Bellingham.

SOUTHERN OREGON 3, CASPER 1—**Logan Emery** scored the game-winning goal with 6:00 left in the game as the Southern Oregon Spartans edged the Casper Bobcats, 3-1, in a tight contest. **Gabriel Lessard**, making just his second start of the season for the Spartans, only allowed one of 26 shots to elude him. Casper's **Ludwig Nordquist** stopped 24 of 25 shots in the first half alone, and made 39 saves for the game.

DALLAS 4, VALENCIA 1—Dallas netminder **Alexander Aleshkin** stopped 29 of 30 shots—including all 16 he faced in the second half—to backstop the Snipers to a 4-1 win over the Valencia Flyers. Four different players scored for Dallas, including **Arvidas Domeika**, who scored the game-winner.

CPJHL RED 3, CHEYENNE 2 (OT)—The Cheyenne Stampede came back from a 2-0 first-half deficit to tie the game, but the CPJHL Red squad won it in overtime on a goal by **Jacob Grinnell**. **Reilly DeGray** and **Brett Machin** scored :38 apart to give the Red team a 2-0 lead. **Kody Kifer** and **Dawson Nelson** responded for the Stampede.

OGDEN 8, EDSON 2—**Rhett Rampinelli** had a hat trick by intermission, and added a fourth goal in the second half, to lead the way for the Ogden Mustangs in an 8-2 win over the Edson Aeros. Mustangs goaltender **Artur Ogandzhanyan** stopped 26 of 28 shots and **Quinten Stempfel** assisted on both Edson goals.

CPJHL BLACK 4, MEADOW LAKE 1—**Roman Kizlo** and **Paul Holzheuer** each scored twice for the CPJHL Black team in their 4-1 win over the Meadow Lake Mustangs. **Ethan Messner** was sharp in net for the CPJHL team, kicking out 23 of 24 shots. **Scott Danylak** made 33 saves and **Bradley Daigneault** scored the goal for Meadow Lake.

COLD LAKE 7, STEAMBOAT 5—**Anson Smith** scored three goals, including a shorthanded tally that broke a 4-4 tie late in the second half, as the Cold Lake Wings picked up their first win of the showcase in an entertaining game, 7-5, over the Steamboat Wranglers. Smith was the only player on either team to light the lamp more than once.

ONTARIO 4, WEST SOUND 1—**Jeremy Van Dyke** scored twice in the first half, and completed his hat trick in the second, as the Ontario Avalanche picked up their second win in as many days, 4-1, over the West Sound Admirals. **Liam Massie** had three assists and **Will McEwen** stopped 26 of 27 shots for the Avalanche.

LONG BEACH 6, NORTHERN COLORADO 3—Veteran goaltender **Domenic Bosetti** stopped 35 of 38 shots as the Long Beach Bombers rallied from 1-0 and 2-1 deficits in the first half to defeat the Northern Colorado Eagles, 6-3, and jump into first place in the Western Division. It was a great example of the importance of these games, which do count in the official WSHL standings, in the five division races. The game was closer than the final score indicates as **Artem Korolev** sealed the win for the Bombers with a pair of empty-net goals in the last 2:17.

OKLAHOMA CITY 10, FRESNO 2—The puck was going in all night for the Oklahoma City Blazers as they downed the Fresno Monsters, 10-2, in the final game on Thursday's schedule at the Western States Shootout. Surprisingly, with the Blazers hitting double-digits, no OKC player had more than three points. **Stephane Doering** had two goals and an assist while **Lukas Lundgren** and **Dylan Koch** each had three helpers.

THREE STARS OF THE DAY

For Thursday, Dec. 20

#1 STAR

F Rhatt Rampinelli

Ogden Mustangs

5'11", 185 pounds

Lakewood Ranch, FL / 1998

4 goals

8-2 win vs. Edson

26-36-62 in 28 GP

#2 STAR

G Alexander Aleshkin

Dallas Snipers

6'1", 175 pounds

Kiev, Russia / 2001

29 saves on 30 shots

4-1 win over Valencia

8-2-0, 2.86, .927

#3 STAR

F Jeremy Van Dyke

Ontario Avalanche

5'7", 150 pounds

Corona, CA / 1998

3 goals (including GWG)

4-1 win over West Sound

22-7-29 in 26 GP