

SHOWCASE RE-CAPS: DAY 1

PHOENIX 3, DALLAS 1—**Anthony Masanotti** continued his excellent season for the Phoenix Knights, scoring a goal in each half as the Knights opened the showcase with a 3-1 win over the Dallas Snipers. While Masanotti took care of the goal-scoring for Phoenix (along with Zach Kowalchuk), **Rhett Bruckner** tended to things at the other end of the rink, turning aside 27 of 28 shots he faced. **Eric Eaton** score the lone goal for Dallas.

OKLAHOMA CITY 3, OGDEN 2—Tournament organizers wasted no time, putting one of the marquis match-ups of the week on the ice right off the bat at City National Arena, and the OKC Blazers and Ogden Mustangs did not disappoint. The Blazers took leads of 1-0 and 2-1 only to see the Mustangs tie the game back up, but **Viktor Ekk**'s goal with 3:25 left in the second half stood up as the game-winner. Bobby Cloutier made 18 saves on 20 shots for Oklahoma City, which also got goals from **Patrick Tondl** and **Ivan Bondarenko**, his 31st of the season. **Matus Spodniak** scored his 45th goal of the season for Ogden. **Rhett Rampinelli** scored the other goal and **Daniel Pavlicko** made 20 saves.

WEST SOUND 6, CPJHL RED 3—Goals by **Bryce Ebert** and **Hunter Best** nine seconds apart helped the West Sound Warriors build a 3-0 lead over the CPJHL Red team in the first half. That sparked the team to a 6-3 win behind two goals from **Mattias Wikstrom** and 19 saves by **Robbie Brennan**.

BELLINGHAM 2, CPJHL WHITE 0—Bellingham netminder **Kolter Pawlick** posted a 15-save shutout of the CPJHL White team. **Ilya Abubakirov** and **Myles Leckie** scored late in the first half for the Blaze and that was the only scoring in the game. Bellingham out-shot the CPJHLers, 31-15, in the game.

IDAHO 3, EL PASO 2—This matchup—between the Northwest and Mid-Western Division leaders, was one of the most highly-anticipated match-ups of the showcase and it did not disappoint. **Russell Haren** scored with 0:01 left on the clock to give the Idaho IceCats a 3-2 win over the previously-undefeated El Paso Rhinos. The first half ended in a 2-2 tie and the two teams battled through an (almost) scoreless second half before Haren's buzzer-beater. Idaho's **Tyler Matthews** and **Filip Krasanovsky** of El Paso engaged in a tremendous goaltending duel in the second half with Matthews stopping all 13 shots he faced in the second half and 27 of 29 overall. **Lance Herning** scored both of the Idaho goals in the first half. **Colby Haugen** and **Chaseton Sare** responded for the Rhinos.

COLORADO 3, LONG BEACH 2 (OT)—The Colorado Jr. Eagles dug themselves out of a two-goal hole in the second half against Long Beach and beat the Bombers in overtime. **Vincent Mastrandrea** tied the game, 2-2, with 2:37 left in regulation and **John Tower** scored the game-winner in sudden death. **Domenic Bosetti** made 26 saves for Long Beach, stopping all 16 shots fired his way in the first half. Colorado netminder **Braden Lajoie** stopped 20 of 22.

SOUTHERN OREGON 8, CHEYENNE 2—The Southern Oregon Spartans scored six times in the second half to pull away from the Cheyenne Stampede in an 8-2 win. **Matej Valicek, Yanneck Kumli** and **Joel Holmberg** each scored twice for the Spartans. Kumli and Holmberg also pitched in two assists each. **Logan Syrup** scored both of the Cheyenne goals.

CASPER 6, SEATTLE 1—**Lindros Beard** scored a hat trick and **Dylan Ossachuk** turned aside 31 of 32 shots as the Casper Coyotes scored six times in the first half and cruised to a 6-1 win over the Seattle Totems. **Jacob Elik** scored a pair of goals for the Coyotes.

VALENCIA 5, UTAH 4—The Utah Outliers scored twice in a span of 50 seconds to come back from a 4-2 deficit and tie the Valencia Flyers, but **Nikita Pintusov's** second goal of the game, with 5:48 left in the second half, gave Valencia a 5-4 win. **Jacob Ulestig** also scored a pair of goals for the Flyers while **Dylan Massie** notched a hat trick for Utah.

SAN DIEGO 5, WICHITA 2—**Karel Kankovsky** scored twice in the first half, and assisted on two more goals in the second half, to lead the San Diego Sabers to a 5-2 win over the Wichita Jr. Thunder. **Benjamin Greenlee** kicked of 20 of 22 shots for San Diego and **Ondrej Imrich** collected three assists.

FRESNO 4, SPRINGFIELD 3—The Springfield Express led, 2-0, at halftime, but the Fresno Monsters scored four times in the second half to come back and win, 4-3. **Cody Key** and **Adam Polomsky** scored 38 seconds apart early in the second half to tie the game up and the Monsters had the momentum from there. **Adam Barvik** stopped 22 of 23 shots in the second half and finished the game with 31 saves. **Arkip Ledenkov** scored a pair of goals for the Express with **Filimon Ledenkov** assisting on both.

SUPERIOR 5, TAHOE 2—**Thore Weyrauch** scored twice in the second half to spark the Superior RoughRiders to a 5-2 win over the Tahoe Icemen. **Austin Tautfest** assisted on a pair of goals for Superior and RoughRiders netminder **Marshall Murphy** allowed just two goals on 24 shots. **Wade Conlan** made 34 saves for the Icemen, who's goals came off the sticks of **Ilya Cetvertak** and **Easton Easterson**.

ONTARIO 1, CPJHL RED 0—These two teams played for 49:48 without any scoring, but **Alex Bouchard** scored the only goal of the game with 12 seconds left on the clock and **Filip Subrt** stopped 10 shots to pick up the shutout for Ontario.