

WRESTLING

# Lumberjacks roll in Rick Lee finale

## Bemidji finishes 5th after 3-0 Saturday

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BEMIDJI — The Bemidji High School wrestling team left little doubt that they were among the best at the Rick Lee Invitational over the past two days.

The Lumberjacks wrapped up action at BHS on Saturday with three more wins, improving to 5-1 on the weekend and locking up fifth place in the 16-team field.

“We just have a very solid team from top to bottom. No real superstars, but no real holes in our lineup,” Bemidji head coach Rance Bahr said. “We worked on things that we’ve been doing in practice, and we worked on getting better every time we step out on the mat. I felt like the kids really stepped up and had a great attitude, working toward that

goal of just getting better every time we go out.”

The Jacks’ lone loss came against Detroit Lakes on Friday, which wasn’t decided until the heavyweight bout gave DL a slim 28-25 win. The Lakers finished second as a team, behind only Perham and its 6-0 record.

“We wrestled very well all of (Saturday), and all of (Friday),” Bahr said. “Even in our loss, we beat some very good kids, wrestled very well.”

On Saturday, BHS took care of business against Brainerd, Kenyon-Wanamingo and Pierz.

Starting with the Warriors, Logan Willard got Bemidji rolling with a pin within 58 seconds at 113 pounds. Seth Newby (120 pounds) and Joe Hudson

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Micah Friez / Bemidji Pioneer  
Bemidji eighth-grader Dane Jorgensen, right, grapples with Brainerd's Kyle Patnode on Saturday at BHS as part of the Rick Lee Invitational.

MEN'S HOCKEY



Jillian Gandsey / Bemidji Pioneer  
BSU senior Mike Soucier (13) pursues the puck in the first period against Alaska on Saturday at the Sanford Center.

# OT STUNNER

## BSU buries late equalizer, falls in overtime to Alaska

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**Bemidji**

Justin Baudry brought the Sanford Center crowd to its feet with his game-tying goal in the waning moments of the third period, sending Saturday night’s game into overtime.

Alaska’s 19th skater Justin Young had other plans, stunning the Bemidji State men’s hockey team and the home fans with his goal 52 seconds into overtime, handing the Nanooks a 2-1 win.

“It’s so disappointing losing that game, especially when you come back

so late in the game,” said Baudry. “Unfortunately, we couldn’t generate as much offense as we’d like. But that’s the outcome, and we have to face reality and move on.”

Baudry’s goal came on the power play with only 2 minutes, 9 seconds left in regulation.

“Our hard work paid off,” said head coach Tom Serratore. “And then obviously what happens is, you stub your toe in overtime, and the game’s over. All that work getting back into it, you find life, and then eventually the life gets sucked out of you.”

The Western Collegiate Hockey Association series ended in a split, the sixth in eight league series for the Beavers (10-11-3, 8-7-1-1 WCHA) this season.

Serratore said it’s difficult beating a team on the second night of any weekend, but that it’s no excuse for the loss.

“We put ourselves in a position in that overtime to get the game into 3-on-3 (overtime) or whatever and we didn’t,” said the coach. “We lost the game in overtime and that was unacceptable.”

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BHS ROUNDUP

# Jacks, Knights battle to 3-3 tie

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ALBERTVILLE — The Bemidji High School boys hockey team shot out to a 2-0 lead early in the second period, only to settle for a 3-3 tie with St. Michael-Albertville in a Section 8AA contest Saturday afternoon in Albertville.

Tate Hammitt needed only 2 minutes, 35 seconds to put the Lumberjacks on the board with the lone goal of the first period.

Ethan Maish extended the lead to 2-0 early in the second period with his goal at the 4:35 mark.

However, the Knights fought back and tallied twice in less than six minutes to level the score. Nate Swenson scored the first and Adam Flammang buried the equalizer at 15:51.

The game wasn’t tied for long. Wyatt Halvorson found the back of the net with 25 seconds left in the frame to send Bemidji to the locker room with a 3-2 lead.

Flammang was not done yet, however, as he quickly tied the game at 3-all just 26 seconds into the third period. Even after overtime, that’s where the score came to stay in the 3-3 tie.

The Lumberjacks moved to 6-9-1 with the result, while STMA now stands at 8-3-3.

Bemidji will be in the great outdoors for its next game Saturday, Jan. 19.

The Lumberjacks will face Greenway on Hockey Day Minnesota on the south shore of Lake Bemidji. Puck drop is scheduled for 4:30 p.m.

**Bemidji 3, St. Michael-Albertville 3 (OT)**

BHS	1	2	0	—	3
STMA	0	2	1	—	3

First period — 1, BHS, Hammitt (Olson, Mock), 2:35.  
Second period — 2, BHS, Maish (Dondelinger, McNamara), 4:35; 3, STMA, Swenson (Couet, Laylin), 10:31, PP; 4, STMA, Flammang (Swenson, Laylin), 15:51, PP; 5, BHS, Halvorson (Mannausau, Savard), 16:35.  
Third period — 6, STMA, Flammang (Couet), 0:26.  
Overtime — No scoring.  
Goalies (saves-shots) — BHS, Waldhausen (34-37); STMA, Marhula (26-29).

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

# Beavers concede three late in 5-2 loss to Minnesota Duluth

## Bulldogs net three third-period goals to move back into 4th

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BEMIDJI — A trio of third-period goals doomed the Bemidji State women’s hockey team in a 5-2 loss Saturday afternoon to split the Western Collegiate Hockey Association series with Minnesota Duluth at the Sanford Center.

The win moved the Bulldogs

ly had our opportunities.”

With the game tied at 2-2 entering the third period, Anna Klein put UMD on top 8 minutes, 12 seconds into the frame. Momentum on their side, the Bulldogs scored twice more by the end of the game with goals by Anneke Linser and Ashton Bell.

“The third goal was a tough one,” Scanlan said. “It felt like our bench got deflated, and then they tack on a couple more. But the game was

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Jillian Gandsey / Bemidji Pioneer  
BSU sophomore Lindsey Featherstone (10) controls the puck in Saturday's game against Minnesota Duluth at the Sanford Center.



## SCOREBOARD

## AREA SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY, JAN. 13**

No events scheduled

**MONDAY, JAN. 14**

No events scheduled

**TUESDAY, JAN. 15****Prep Nordic Skiing**

Bemidji at Alexandria, TBD

**Prep Wrestling**

Bemidji, Brainerd at Pequot Lakes/PRB Triangular, 5 p.m.

**Prep Boys Swimming and Diving**

Bemidji at Thief River Falls, 5:30 p.m.

**Prep Boys Basketball**

Bemidji at Grand Rapids, 7:15 p.m.

**Prep Girls Hockey**

Bemidji at Roseau, 7:30 p.m.

## SPORTS ON TV

**SUNDAY, JAN. 13****Bowling**

PBA: Oklahoma Open, 10 a.m., FSN

**Boxing**

PBC Fight Night: Uzcategui vs. Plant, 7 p.m., FSN

**College Basketball**

Villanova at Creighton, 11 a.m., FOX

Butler at Xavier, 11 a.m., CBSSN

Women's: South Florida at Connecticut, noon, ESPN

Women's: Duquesne at George Mason, 1 p.m., CBSSN

Women's: Tennessee at Georgia, 2 p.m., ESPN

Women's: Rutgers at Nebraska, 2 p.m., BTN

Women's: Western Illinois at North Dakota, 2 p.m., MidcoSN

Massachusetts at Dayton, 2:30 p.m., NBCSN

Women's: Fordham at Saint Louis, 3 p.m., CBSSN

Women's: Purdue at Northwestern, 4 p.m., BTN

George Mason at Rhode Island, 4:30 p.m., NBCSN

UCLA at Oregon State, 9 p.m., FSN

**College Wrestling**

Iowa at Minnesota, noon, BTN

**Golf**

Web.com Tour: The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic, 1 p.m., GOLF

PGA Tour: Sony Open, 5 p.m., GOLF

**NFL Playoffs**

Los Angeles Chargers at New England, noon, CBS

Philadelphia at New Orleans, 3:40 p.m., FOX

**Soccer**

Premier League: Bournemouth at Everton, 8:10 a.m., NBCSN

Premier League: Manchester United at Tottenham, 10:25 a.m., NBCSN

**Tennis**

Australian Open: Day 1 - First Round, 6 p.m., ESPN2

**MONDAY, JAN. 14****College Basketball**

Holy Cross at Bucknell, 6 p.m., CBSSN

Nebraska at Indiana, 5:30 p.m., FS1

Syracuse at Duke, 6 p.m., ESPN

Women's: Iowa at Minnesota, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Women's: Michigan State at Ohio State, 6 p.m., BTN

Texas at Kansas, 8 p.m., ESPN

**Golf**

Web.com Tour: The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic, 1 p.m., GOLF

**NHL**

Minnesota at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., FSN

Montreal at Boston, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN

**Soccer**

Premier League: Wolves at Manchester City, 1:55 p.m., NBCSN

**Tennis**

Australian Open: Day 1 - First Round, 2 a.m., ESPN2

Australian Open: Day 2 - First Round, 8 p.m., ESPN2

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**Saturday's Results****NSIC Women**

Northern State 56, Bemidji State 47

Augustana 75, Winona State 65

Concordia-SP 69, Sioux Falls 64

MSU Moorhead 78, Minnesota Crookston 65

SW Minn. State 88, Minnesota State 73

St. Cloud State 83, U-Mary 70

Minnesota Duluth 79, Minot State 51

Wayne State 99, Upper Iowa 74

**NSIC Men**

Northern State 73, Bemidji State 53

Winona State 87, Augustana 67

Sioux Falls 95, Concordia-SP 64

MSU Moorhead 101, Minnesota Crookston 88

Minnesota State 101, SW Minn. State 72

St. Cloud State 83, U-Mary 58

Minnesota Duluth 77, Minot State 70

Wayne State 85, Upper Iowa 81

**COLLEGE HOCKEY****Saturday's Results****WCHA Men**

Alaska 2, Bemidji State 1 (OT)

Alabama Huntsville 1, Lake Superior State 1 (UAH wins SO)

Bowling Green 3, Michigan Tech 2

Minnesota State 2, Ferris State 1

Northern Michigan at Alaska Anchorage, late

**WCHA Women**

Minnesota Duluth 5, Bemidji State 2

Wisconsin 5, Ohio State 2

Minnesota 6, Minnesota State 3

**Across the Country**

Cornell 3, Arizona State 2

Yale 3, Sacred Heart 1

UMass-Lowell 4, Colgate 1

RIT 3, AIC 2

Bentley 5, Robert Morris 1

Army 2, Air Force 2 (OT)

Mercyhurst 6, Canisius 3

Holy Cross 4, Niagara 1

Ohio State 4, Michigan 2

Michigan State 6, Penn State 4

Minnesota 2, Notre Dame 1

Harvard 2, Quinnipiac 1

Clarkson 5, Rensselaer 2

Union 4, St. Lawrence 3

Dartmouth 5, Princeton 0

Massachusetts 5, Vermont 1

Northeastern 4, Maine 0

Merrimack 5, Connecticut 2

Boston Univ. 4, Providence 3

New Hampshire 6, Boston College 4

Western Michigan 3, Miami 2

North Dakota 3, Colorado College 2 (OT)

St. Cloud State 4, Minnesota Duluth 2

Omaha at Denver, late

## PREP SPORTS

**Saturday's Results****Boys Hockey**

Bemidji 3, St. Michael-Albertville 3 (OT)

## FOOTBALL

**Professional****National Football League playoffs****Divisional round****Saturday, Jan. 12**

No. 1 Kansas City 31, No. 6 Indianapolis 13

NFC: No. 4 Dallas at No. 2 Los Angeles Rams (13-3), 7:15 p.m. (Fox)

**Sunday, Jan. 13**

AFC: No. 5 Los Angeles Chargers at No. 2 New England (11-5), 12:05 p.m. (CBS)

NFC: No. 6 Philadelphia at No. 1 New Orleans (13-3), 3:40 p.m. (Fox)

**Conference championships****Sunday, Jan. 20**

NFC title game, 2:05 p.m. (Fox)

AFC title game, 5:40 p.m. (CBS)

**Super Bowl****Sunday, Feb. 3 at Atlanta**

AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m. (CBS)

## HOCKEY

**Professional****NHL****Thursday's Games**

Washington 4, Boston 2

Toronto 4, New Jersey 2

NY Islanders 4, NY Rangers 3

Philadelphia 2, Dallas 1

Columbus 4, Nashville 3, OT

Tampa Bay 3, Carolina 1

St. Louis 4, Montreal 1

Minnesota 3, Winnipeg 2

Edmonton 4, Florida 3, SO

Arizona 4, Vancouver 3, OT

San Jose 3, Vegas 2

Ottawa 4, Los Angeles 1

**Friday's Games**

Carolina 4, Buffalo 3

Winnipeg 4, Detroit 2

Calgary 4, Florida 3

Pittsburgh 7, Anaheim 4

**Saturday's Games**

New Jersey 3, Philadelphia 2

NY Rangers 2, NY Islanders 1

Tampa Bay 5, Buffalo 3

Boston 3, Toronto 2

Montreal 3, Colorado 1

Columbus 2, Washington 1, OT

Detroit 5, Minnesota 2

Vegas at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

St. Louis at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Ottawa at San Jose, 9 p.m.

Arizona at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**

Nashville at Carolina, 11:30 a.m.

Anaheim at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.

NY Rangers at Columbus, 5 p.m.

Florida at Vancouver, 6 p.m.

Tampa Bay at NY Islanders, 6 p.m.

Arizona at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.

## BASKETBALL

**Professional****NBA****Friday's Games**

Atlanta 123, Philadelphia 121

Washington 113, Milwaukee 106

Indiana 121, New York 106

Toronto 122, Brooklyn 105

Houston 141, Cleveland 113

Dallas 119, Minnesota 115

Utah 113, L.A. Lakers 95

Portland 127, Charlotte 96

Golden State 146, Chicago 109

**Saturday's Games**

Detroit 109, L.A. Clippers 104

Miami 112, Memphis 108

Orlando 105, Boston 103

Minnesota 110, New Orleans 106

San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.

Denver at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Charlotte at Sacramento, 9 p.m.

Chicago at Utah, 9 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**

Philadelphia at New York, 12 p.m.

Toronto at Washington, 12 p.m.

Milwaukee at Atlanta, 2:30 p.m.

Houaouke at Orlando, 5 p.m.

Golden State at Dallas, 6 p.m.

Portland at Denver, 7 p.m.

Cleveland at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

**Monday's Games**

Boston at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.

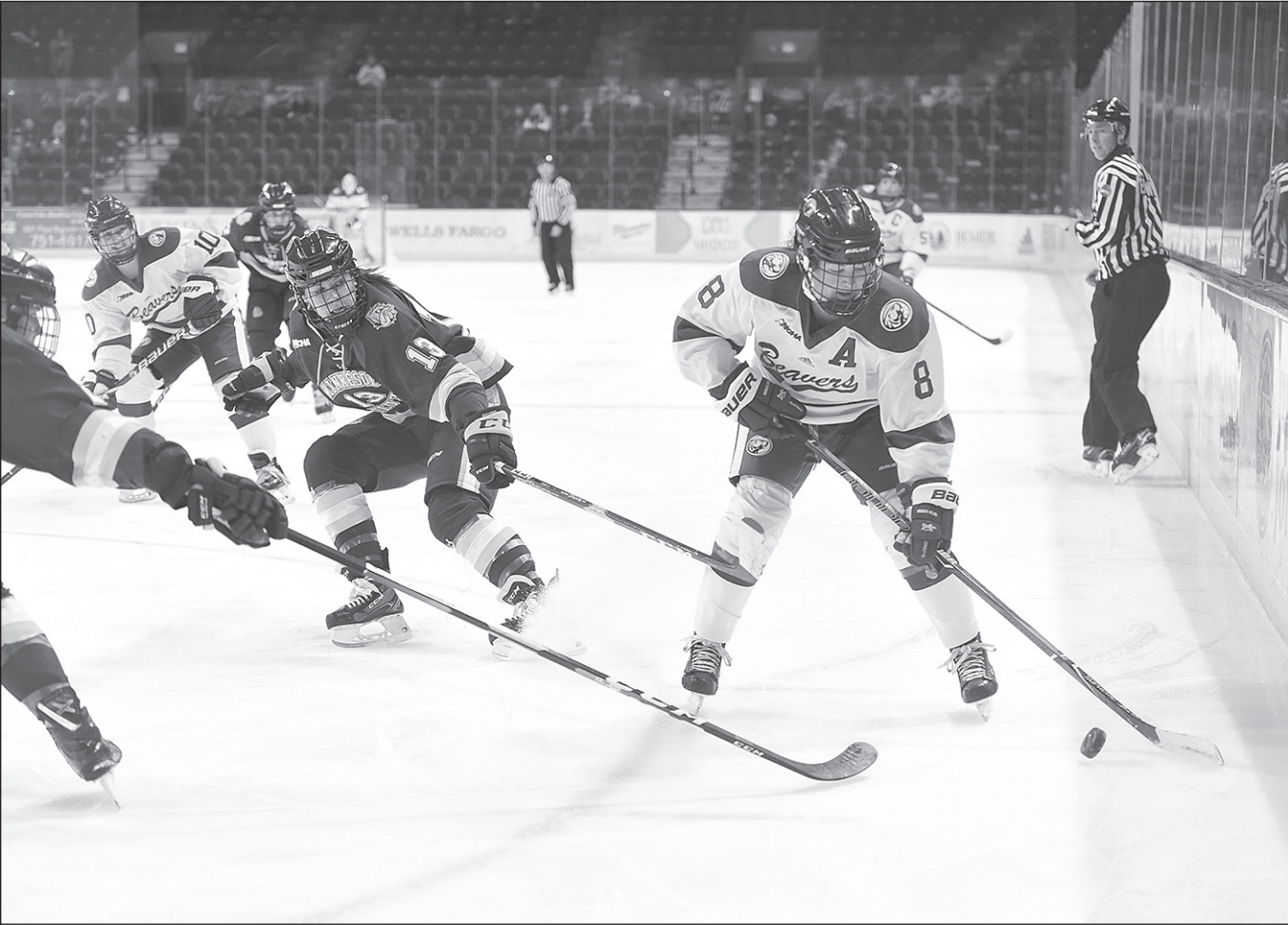
Memphis at Houston, 7 p.m.

Charlotte at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.

Detroit at Utah, 8 p.m.

Portland at Sacramento, 9 p.m.

New Orleans at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.



Jillian Gandsey / Bemidji Pioneer

BSU junior Kiki Radke (8) skates with the puck along the boards in Saturday's game against Minnesota Duluth at the Sanford Center.

## BEAVERS

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right there. It was a good, hard-fought battle between two good teams."

Briana Jorde kicked off the contest with her goal just 2 minutes, 30 seconds in. The junior defenseman flung a shot from near the blue line that snaked through traffic and past goalie Emma Soderberg for the opening goal.

Late in the period, Gabbie Hughes collected a loose puck and leveled the score with under two minutes to go.

Early in the second period, Ryleigh Houston poked a puck through a scrum in front of the crease for the go-ahead goal.

The Beavers knotted the game up again with under five minutes to play in the frame.

Clair DeGeorge eluded a defender and buried a wrister into the back of the net at 15:21 of the period. The sophomore has recorded two points in each of her last three games.

BSU successfully killed a pair of penalties in the second to hold the Bulldogs to one goal for the frame.

"I thought our penalty kill did a tremendous job in the second period," Scanlan said. "That really gave us momentum. We scored a goal after we killed two penalties off. So you're going into the third period 2-2 in your rink on a Saturday. That's something our group takes pride in."

UMD took the lead for good when Klein skated into the zone and fired a shot top shelf for the go-ahead goal in the third period. The Bulldogs tallied twice more to put the game out of reach for the Beavers.

Lauren Bench made 22 saves on 27 shots in the loss as she fell to

4-7-1. Soderberg stopped 23 of 25 shots to improve to 3-0-0 with the win.

Bemidji State will be headed outdoors for its next contest.

The Beavers will host Minnesota State in a nonconference game as part of Hockey Day Minnesota. Opening faceoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19.

"It's going to be the memory of a lifetime for all of our players," Scanlan said. "We're going to embrace the uniqueness of it. Obviously, you want to win the hockey game but we want to make sure everybody gets involved and everybody gets to experience it."

Minnesota Duluth 5, Bemidji State 2

UMD 1 1 3-5

BSU 1 1 0-2

First period — 1, BSU, Jorde (Passolt, DeGeorge), 2:30; 2, UMD, Hughes (Klein, Elmes), 18:15.

Second period — 3, UMD, Houston (Hanley, Hewett), 2:39; 4, BSU, DeGeorge (Hunt), 15:21.

Third period — 5, UMD, Klein (Linsler, Norton), 8:12; 6, UMD, Linsler (Hughes, Elmes), 10:42; 7, UMD, Bell (Linsler), 16:52.

Goalies (saves-shots) — BSU, Bench (22-27); UMD, Soderberg (23-25).

opener at 7:07 p.m. on the south shore of Lake Bemidji as part of Hockey Day Minnesota.

Baudry said BSU will regroup and learn from Saturday's loss before tackling the Huskies.

"You just focus on all the positives, everything we did well," he said. "We'll watch video and see what we did well, see what we did not do well, and build off that and just move and keeping building for the playoffs."

Alaska 2, Bemidji State 1 (OT)

UAF 1 0 0 1-2

BSU 0 0 1 0-1

First period — 1, UAF, Leer (Van Tetering), 7:44.

Second period — No scoring.

Third period — 2, BSU, Baudry (Harris, Brady), 17:51, PP.

Overtime — 3, UAF, Young (LaDouce, S. Jandric), 0:52.

Goalies (saves-shots) — BSU, Driscoll (25-27); UAF, Martinsson (29-30).

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(126) followed with an 11-3 major decision and a 6-0 decision, respectively, to set the Lumberjacks ahead.

Alan Wuori picked up a pin at 152 pounds, as did Nic Geiger (182), Peter Moen (195) and Cade Barrett (220) in their respective classes. Chance Hinrichs (160) also won by a 3-1 decision, and Kaleb Beam (285) won by forfeit to lock up a 40-21 victory.

Against Kenyon-Wanamingo, Coy Olsen (106), Wuori, Geiger, Moen and Jesse Jackson (285) all won by fall, and Newby added an 18-3 technical fall. The Knights went the distance against Hudson, Thade Osborn (132), Dane Jorgensen (138) and Chase Smith (220), but BHS still claimed each match to power a 42-27 team win.

Bemidji saved its best for last against Pierz. Willard, Jorgensen, Cale Newby (138), Hinrichs and Geiger all pinned a Pioneer, while Seth Newby and Smith mixed in wins via major decision. In total, BHS ousted Pierz by a 53-15 final.

## ROUNDUP

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## BHS gymnasts break school record in historic win

MOORHEAD — The Bemidji High School gymnastics team made history on Saturday.

The Lumberjacks etched their names into the record books at the Moorhead Invite, totaling a score of 142.8 and setting a new program record en route to a first-place finish.

Bemidji's mark breaks the previous school best of 142.35, set last season. On Saturday, it was also enough to beat out Rogers (141) and Moorhead (135.35).

Tatum Offerdahl finished second individually in the all-around with a 35.85 score for BHS. She took first in the floor

"I'm very impressed and proud of all the kids and how they wrestled," Bahr said. "But in particular, Dane Jorgenson and Joe Hudson really stepped up their game this weekend."

Seth Newby, Hudson and Wuori each finished 6-0 in their matches on the weekend. Moen and Beam also went 5-0 and 4-0, respectively, with Moen winning by fall a team-high four times.

"I think (this invite) is a building block, something to build confidence for our kids and help them realize that they can compete with the best teams in the state," Bahr said. "As the season goes on, we're starting to fill all of our weights. We're starting to get a little bit healthier, and all of that goes to motivate the kids and press forward."

Bemidji will be back on the mat at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, along with Brainerd and Pequot Lakes/Pine River-Backus for a triangular in Pequot Lakes.

**Team results**  
1-Perham; 2-Detroit Lakes; 3-Frazee; 4-Thief River Falls; 5-Bemidji; 6-Kenyon-Wanamingo; 7-Pierz; 8-Brainerd; 9-Tr



# Wolves outrun BSU through second-half run

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ABERDEEN, S.D. — Things got away from the Bemidji State men’s basketball team in a hurry on Saturday night. The Beavers fell victim to a 17-0 second-half run against Northern State, which blew open an eventual 73-53 loss in Aberdeen, S.D.

The Beavers (4-10, 1-9 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference) had a modest lead for much of the first half, which hit its peak at 16-10 on a short Zach Baumgartner jumper. But the Wolves (13-3, 9-1 NSIC) used an 8-0 spurt late in the half to jump ahead, and they carried a 40-33 edge into the locker room.

Derek Thompson opened the final frame with a score in the paint, and two minutes into the half, Max Bjorklund hit a 3-pointer that brought BSU back within a basket at 40-38. But then NSU erupted with 17 straight points over the next five minutes, taking a 55-38 advantage with 12 minutes, 36 seconds left remaining.

From then on, Bemidji State never came closer than 16 points down before the ultimate 20-point defeat.

Thompson’s 18 points made him the only Beaver in double figures, while Baumgartner was the next closest with eight. Logan Bader, BSU’s second leading scorer this season, went 0-for-7 from the field and had just the second scoreless night of his collegiate career.

For Northern State, Ian Smith led all scorers with 23 points, and Mason Stark pitched in 12 off the bench.

The Beavers will return to the BSU Gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, for a home matchup against Upper Iowa.

**Northern State 73, Bemidji State 53**  
BSU 33 20 — 53  
NSU 40 33 — 73

**BEMIDJI STATE (4-10, 1-9 NSIC)** — Thompson 18, Baumgartner 8, Landwehr 6, Bjorklund 5, Chase 5, Longo 5, Anderson 4, Morgan 2, Bader 0. Total 21-56, 6-11, 53.

**NORTHERN STATE (13-3, 9-1 NSIC)** — Smith 23, Stark 12, Dahl 8, Fox 8, Belka 5, Decker 4, Fries 4, King 4, Kallman 3, Dominovic 2, LeGrand 0, Kranhold 0. Totals 25-54, 18-21, 73.

**3rd quarter dooms BSU to 56-47 loss**

ABERDEEN, S.D. — The Bemidji State women’s basketball team scored three points in Saturday’s third quarter against Northern State, sinking them into a 56-47 loss in Aberdeen, S.D.

The third-quarter outage overshadowed a hot first frame from BSU (2-12, 0-10 NSIC). Despite spotting the Wolves (8-8, 5-5 NSIC) the first eight points, the Beavers knocked down five 3-pointers in the quarter and climbed within 18-15 through one.

Bemidji State stuck around in the second quarter, too. A three from Maria Appicelli kept BSU within one possession at 23-20, and the Beavers held tight with a 28-24 deficit entering halftime.

But Bemidji State went cold out of the break.

Two minutes in, Sydney Zerr hit a layup for a four-point game, and Taylor Bray soon followed with a free throw with 6 minutes, 49 seconds to go in the third. BSU was still within striking distance at 34-27, but the Beavers missed their final nine shots of the quarter.

NSU didn’t put on an offensive showcase themselves, but they still had a 40-27 edge to work with through three.

Bemidji State tried making up for lost time in the fourth quarter, netting 20 points in the last 10 minutes. They came within seven of a tie through a Zerr free throw with 1:16 to go, but it wasn’t enough to spark enough of a surge in the 56-47 loss.

Appicelli finished with a game-high 13 points to pace the Beavers, while Alayna Johnson’s 12 points led a trio of Northern State scorers in double figures.

Bemidji State will next take aim at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18, when it hosts Upper Iowa at the BSU Gymnasium.

**Northern State 56, Bemidji State 47**  
BSU 15 9 320 — 47  
NSU 18 10 1216 — 56

**BEMIDJI STATE (2-12, 0-10 NSIC)** — Appicelli 13, Vold 8, Bray 6, Bachmann 5, Rappe 5, Myer 4, S. Zerr 3, Wolhowe 3, Gartner 0. Totals 17-50, 5-9, 47.

**NORTHERN STATE (8-8, 5-5 NSIC)** — Johnson 12, Kusler 11, Fredrick 10, Marti 8, Hardwick 7, Wadsworth 4, Luitjens 3, Mekash 1, Kohler 0, Spier 0. Totals 20-45, 16-22, 56.



Mark J. Rebilas / USA TODAY Sports  
Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes (15) throws a pass against Indianapolis Colts defensive end Margus Hunt (92) during the second quarter Saturday, Jan. 12, in an AFC Divisional playoff football game at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo.

# Chiefs dominate Colts in snowy playoff victory

**Field Level Media**  
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas City quarterback Patrick Mahomes passed for 278 yards and ran for a score Saturday, Jan. 12, as the Chiefs ended a six-game home losing streak in the postseason by stomping the Indianapolis Colts 31-13.

The AFC playoff victory was the first in a quarter-century for the Chiefs at Arrowhead Stadium after they advanced as the No. 1 seed for the first time since 1997.

More than a half-foot of snow socked Kansas City before kickoff. Light snow also fell during the game.

Kansas City will play for the AFC championship next Sunday against the winner of Sunday’s play-

off game between the New England Patriots and Los Angeles Chargers.

Running back Damien Williams had career bests with 25 carries for 129 rushing yards. He scored one touchdown.

Tight end Travis Kelce led the Chiefs with 108 receiving yards on seven catches, while wideout Tyreek Hill added eight catches for 72 yards and a rushing TD. Mahomes went 27-for-41 passing and didn’t throw an interception.

Kansas City linebacker Justin Houston had two sacks and recovered a fumble off a strip by Dee Ford.

The turnover thwarted a huge opportunity for the Colts after they took over

at the Chiefs 20-yard line late in the third quarter on a fumble that was forced and recovered by linebacker Darius Leonard.

Colts quarterback Andrew Luck could never get into a rhythm, passing for 203 yards while going 19-for-36. The Colts, who had won 10 of their previous 11 games, including five straight, were dogged by 10 penalties for 70 yards.

Kansas City dominated the first half, generating 18 first downs before Indianapolis moved the chains for the first time during a two-minute drill to end the half.

The Colts stormed downfield on that march but kicker Adam Vinatieri, playing in his 32nd post-

season game, missed a 23-yard field goal attempt off the left upright as time expired. Vinatieri also missed a PAT attempt.

The 24-7 lead the Chiefs took into the break was achieved with 195 yards passing from Mahomes, who also rushed for a 4-yard TD with 1:40 left. Williams scored on a 10-yard rush and wide receiver Tyreek Hill on a 36-yard reverse to cap the first two Kansas City drives.

Indianapolis went three-and-out on each of its first four possessions.

Najee Goode broke through to block a punt that teammate Zach Pascal recovered in the end zone with 5:56 left for the Colts’ only first-half score.

# Coffey’s big second half carries Minnesota over Rutgers

**Field Level Media**  
MINNEAPOLIS — Amir Coffey scored 21 of his 29 points in the second half and the Minnesota Golden Gophers defeated the visiting Rutgers Scarlet Knights 88-70 in Big Ten action Saturday, Jan. 12, in Minneapolis.

Jordan Murphy recorded a double-double for the Golden Gophers with 15 points and 16 rebounds. He was 9 of 11 from the line. Dupree McBrayer scored 12 first-half points and finished with 15 points and nine assists.

13 points, but just one rebound and two assists.

Myles Johnson scored 14, and had eight boards for Rutgers.

The Gophers held the

Scarlet Knights to 41.8 percent shooting from the field. Meanwhile, Minnesota shot 50 percent and hit 10 of 24 from beyond the arc.

Minnesota recorded 24 assists on 29 made field goals. The Gophers forced 11 turnovers, which Minnesota converted into 16 points.

# Bemidji curlers to compete at junior nationals

**Pioneer Staff Report**  
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TWO HARBORS, Minn. — Three women and two men from Bemidji will take the ice when the 2019 USA Curling Junior National Championships begin today in Two Harbors, Minn.

A trio of Bemidji curlers will compete for three teams in the women’s division. Leah Yavarow will play for Team Flannery, Damaris Berg will curl for Team Page and Emily Quello is a member of Team Traxler.

Bemidji cousins Graem and Riley Fenson will curl for Team Stopera, which is skipped by

Andrew Stopera. Stopera’s team won the title last year in Detroit.

The 16 teams – eight men’s and eight women’s – will compete in a preliminary round robin to determine the playoff teams. The championship finals will take place on Saturday, Jan. 19. The winning teams will represent the U.S. at the 2019 World Junior Championships, Feb. 16-24, in Liverpool, Nova Scotia.

The opening ceremony is set for 8 p.m. today. Round-robin play begins Monday at 8 a.m. Live scores and a live webstream can be found at usacurl.org.

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