Bantams eliminate Frontenac

Saturday the Bierworth Readi-Mix Bantam Jets were at home for game three of their series against the Frontenac Flyers. Frontenac opened up the scoring with a shorthanded goal, after the Jets got caught in a two on one situation. Less than a minute later, the Jets were on the powerplay again and this time they made it count, with Brett Cooney putting the puck in the net, assisted by Jack Kauffeldt and Jared McCaskie. Frontenac followed that up with another goal to close out the second with a 2-1 lead over the Jets. Bancroft cashed in on another powerplay just over four minutes into the second, with a goal scored by Brodie Cooney, assisted by Kauffeldt and Carter Thrower. The Jets took the lead late in the period when Kauffeldt banged one in, unassisted. It was 3-2 Jets heading into the third. Frontenac came out strong in the third and it left the Jets scrambling, as Frontenac scored three goals in the first five minutes of the period, to take a 5-3 lead.

A powerplay with just over nine minutes left, got the Jets back into the game, when Brodie Cooney put one over the goalie, assisted by McCaskie and Kauffeldt. With 3:54 left, Riley Hunt riffled one in for the Jets fourth power play goal of the game and to tie things up, assisted by Jesse Mountney. As the final minute wound down and it looked like the game was headed to overtime, a battle on the boards, led to Ben Gaebel knocking the puck loose, where Brett Cooney picked it up, skated down the ice and deposited it in the net to win the game 6-5.

The Jets ended the Flyers playoff run after winning three straight games to take the series. They will now face off against Campbellford in the quarterfinals.

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