

Grizzlies fired up for last games on home ice

By Ted Parkhill

This past weekend the Tahoe Grizzlies Pee Wees (ages 11-12) were on the road to Vacaville and San Jose. On Saturday the Grizzlies faced the Vacaville Jets. It was end-to-end action for both teams and in the middle of the third period it was tied 3-3.

The line of Spencer Lloyd, No. 24 left wing of Reno. and Katie Sonntag, No. 16 right wing of South Lake Tahoe, that was on fire. Lloyd had two goals and Sonntag had two assists.

However, the Jets are a strong team which they proved by scoring two late goals in the third period to win 5-3. That was the final meeting of regular season play against the Jets; which the Grizzlies ended up 2-1-1.

The tough outcome on Saturday did not stop the Pee Wees. The Grizzlies came out with a roar on Sunday in San Jose.

The Junior Sharks scored first, but it was then quickly tied by the Grizzlies. The Sharks went ahead again but it was again tied by the Grizzlies. After that the Grizzlies stayed on the attack and ended up winning 7-2.

Incredibly, all seven goals were scored by seven players. Edward Parkhill, No. 7 right wing of Incline Village, was the point leader in Sunday's game with a goal and two assists.

With this win the Grizzlies are guaranteed fourth place overall. They still have four more regular season games.

The Tahoe Grizzlies Squirts (ages 9-10) were also on the road in San Jose on Saturday. They lost their first regular season game to the Junior Sharks. The Sharks scored early and often

to win 7-2.

The Squirts, like the Pee Wees, did not let the loss affect them. On Sunday they faced the Capital Thunder in Roseville and it was Roseville that heard the thunder. The Grizzlies triumphed over Roseville 4-2.

Zach Dill, No. 19 center of South Lake Tahoe, led the weekend with three points. Max Mueller, No. 10 defenseman from South Lake Tahoe, scored his first goal as a travel hockey player.

This weekend the Tahoe Grizzlies Pee Wees and the Squirts have their last regular season games at home. They host the Cupertino Cougars for a doubleheader Saturday and Sunday.

The games are at the South Lake Tahoe Ice Arena (1176 Rufus Allen Blvd.). Admission is always free.

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