

Hockey playoffs open Friday

DES MOINES — The Iowa High School Hockey League playoffs will be held at the Des Moines Ice Arena on Friday through Sunday.

Mason City, which finished in a tie for seventh in the nine-team league with a 4-12 record, will face last-place Ames in its opener at 10 a.m. Friday. All teams are guaranteed at least three games each. The title game is set for 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

Waterloo Public is the defending state champ and finished second in league play to Waterloo Columbus.

In the final league statistics, Mason City's John Brandt ranks fifth in scoring with 23 goals and 22 assists for 45 points.

SCORING LEADERS — Steve Hammer, Urbandale, 68; Scott Cross, Urbandale, 54; Craig Mann, Urbandale, 53; Steve Miller, West Des Moines Valley, 48; John Brandt, Mason City, 45.

GOALTENDING LEADERS — Brant Gaede, Waterloo Public, 2.27 goals per game allowed; Mitch Vedano, Valley, 2.4. Scott Beica, Columbus, 2.48.

Final Iowa High School Hockey League standings

	W	L	T	Pts.
Waterloo Columbus.....	14	1	0	28
Waterloo Public.....	12	4	0	24
Urbandale.....	11	5	0	22
West Des Moines Valley.....	11	5	0	22
Sioux City.....	9	7	0	18
D.M. Heaver-Roosevelt.....	7	8	0	14
W.D.M. Dowling.....	4	12	0	8
Mason City.....	4	12	0	8
Ames.....	0	16	0	0