

# Hockey team opens playoff action

**DES MOINES** — Mason City will open play in the Iowa High School Hockey League playoffs at 8:45 p.m. here tonight against Waterloo.

Mason City, coming off its best regular season ever, takes a 7-9 record into the contest. Waterloo, which has beaten Mason City twice, is 10-6.

If Mason City wins, the Mohawks will play the West Des Moines Val-

ley-W.D.M. Dowling winner at 12:30 p.m. Friday. If they lose, they'll play the Valley-Dowling loser at 7:15 a.m. Saturday in the losers bracket.

All places, one through nine, are to be determined by Sunday. The title game is set for 4:30 p.m.

Several seniors will be in the lineup for Mason City, including John Brandt, one of the state's top scorers.