

# M.C. hockey team finishes sixth in state tournament

**DES MOINES** -- Mason City finished in sixth place in the state high school hockey playoffs over the weekend, as the Mohawks ended their best season in the program's history with a 9-11 record.

Mason City defeated West Des Moines Dowling 11-3 Saturday morning behind John Brandt's four goals and four assists. Mohawks John Burnett and Eric Thompson added two goals apiece in the romp.

The Mohawks followed with another victory Saturday afternoon, dropping Sioux City 7-1. Bill Johann and Jay Bloomfield each pushed in a pair of goals.

In their final game of the season, for fifth place in the state, the Mohawks fell 5-4 to Des Moines Hoover on Sunday, a team that Mason City had beaten earlier in the year.

The Mohawks took a 1-0 lead on a Johann goal, but that proved to be their only lead of the game. With nine minutes remaining, a Hoover goal by Paul Doyle provided the winning margin. A last-second effort by Bloomfield from the side of the goal was barely off the mark.

Two Mohawks placed on the 20-member all-state squad, with another three gaining honorable mention. Brandt and Bloomfield were given first-team recognition while Burnett, goalie Dan Duda and Johann, who missed one month of the season with an illness, made the honorable mention team.



Bloomfield



Brandt

## Summaries

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Mason City.....	3	8	11
West Des Moines Dowling.....	0	3	3

**FIRST PERIOD** — Bill Johann (MC), assist by John Brandt, John Burnett. Brandt, assist by Johann. Brandt, assist by Johann.

**SECOND PERIOD** — Steve George (D), assist by Jay Strako. Brandt, assist by Johann. Mike Cataldo (D), assist by Strako. Brandt, assist by Johann, Burnett. Tim Hughes (D), assist by Bob Brewer, Strako. Burnett, assist by Brandt and Jay Bloomfield. Burnett, assist by Brandt, Dave Despenas. Brad Nielsen (MC), assist by David Beard.

**THIRD PERIOD** — Despenas, assist by Brandt. Eric Thompson (MC), assist by Nielsen. Thompson, assist by Tony Gregor.

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Mason City.....	1	5	7
Sioux City.....	0	0	0

**FIRST PERIOD** — Bloomfield, assist by Brandt.

**SECOND PERIOD** — Bloomfield, assist by Brandt. Johann. David Beard, assist by Brandt, Thompson. Jeff Kleven (MC).

**THIRD PERIOD** — Brad Hanson (SC). Burnett, assist by Brandt. Johann, assist by Brandt.

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Mason City.....	1	2	4
Des Moines Hoover.....	0	3	5

**FIRST PERIOD** — Johann, assist by Burnett.

**SECOND PERIOD** — Wendell Griess (H). Al Driscoll (H). Johann, assist by Brandt. Tony Ralph (H).

**THIRD PERIOD** — Despenas, assist by Thompson. Ralph, assist by Paul Doyle. Johann, assist by Burnett. Doyle.