West whips East in prep hockey tilt

MASON CITY — The West, behind a strong effort by two Omaha Gladiators, ripped the East, 9-2, here Tuesday night in the Iowa High School Hockey League all-star game at North Iowa Recreational Arena. Joey Perell and Heath Shaffer of Omaha scored two goals each for the winners, while Des Moines' Chris Poli also tallied twice.

The West led, 4-2, after one period and then broke the game open with three scores in the middle period. Ben Buckley of the Waterloo Warriors, who has been his team's leading scorer this season, assisted on one of the East goals, setting up Mason City's Ethan Scheetz in the first period. Mike Osbourne of Ames also scored for the East.

The regular season resumes Friday.