

STATE HOCKEY

Capitals look to repeat

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MASON CITY — The Des Moines Capitals secured a spot in today's Iowa High School Hockey League state championship game by defeating Waterloo 6-1 in a semifinal contest Saturday.

Brad Ramsey scored a goal and tallied two assists, and Chad Costello scored two goals for the Capitals, who face the Omaha Junior Lancers at 2 p.m. for the state championship.

"We played really strong," Capitals assistant coach Jeff Baker said. "Our forwards played a really good game. They did a nice job of getting back and playing team defense in our zone. That made it tough for them to score."

Waterloo, which plays Mason City for third place today at 9:15 a.m., had just 10 shots on goal.

Des Moines senior goalie Ben Boulden stopped nine shots for the win.

"We were trying to jam the middle and make them beat us wide," Baker said. "We thought our team speed was better than theirs and it worked out that way. Our goaltender played strong and when he comes up big like that it makes the defense look awfully good."

The Capitals, who are defending state champions, are happy to return to the title game.

"We're really proud," Baker said. "We won it last year and we lost 12 seniors from that team. We weren't supposed to be here, so the fact that we're back makes us really proud."

KANSAS CITY 2, OAK LEAFS 1

Matt Quante's goal at 14:27 in the third period lifted the Kansas City Junior Stars past the Des Moines Oak Leafs in Saturday's consolation semifinal.

James Moore assisted Quante on the game-winning goal.

Kansas City goalie Roy

Cook stopped 19-of-20 shots for the victory.

The Junior Stars play Sioux City in the consolation final today at 11:30 a.m.

The Oak Leafs face Dubuque at 7 a.m. for seventh place.

SIOUX CITY 5, DUBUQUE 2

Corey Mozak scored two goals and had one assist helping Sioux City defeat Dubuque in Saturday's consolation semifinal.

Metros goalie Ross Patrick made 21 saves.

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CAPITALS 6, WATERLOO 1

Score by periods: (1) (2) (3) Tot:
Waterloo 0 1 0— 1
Capitals 2 2 2— 6

FIRST PERIOD — 1, Capitals, Brad Ramsey (Charlie Urbanek), 3:55. 2, Capitals, Eric Adamson (Matt Beals), 8:28.

SECOND PERIOD — 3, Capitals, Rob Wigger (Ramsey), 9:15. 4, Waterloo, Jared Boller (Peter Schneider), 9:30. 5, Capitals, Beals (Ramsey), 11:30.

THIRD PERIOD — 6, Capitals, Chad Costello (Zach Gates), 8:52. 7, Capitals, Costello (Gates), 14:58.

Shots on goal — Waterloo 4-4-2—10.
Capitals 7-6-14—27.

Penalties — Waterloo 3-6. Capitals 4-16.
Goalies — Waterloo, Zach Goodsell (27 shots-21 saves). Capitals, Ben Boulden (10 shots-9 saves).

KANSAS CITY 2, OAK LEAFS 1

Score by periods: (1) (2) (3) Tot:
Oak Leafs 0 1 0— 1
Kansas City 0 1 1— 2

FIRST PERIOD — None.

SECOND PERIOD — 1, Oak Leafs, Nick Spring (unassisted), 1:27. 2, Kansas City, James Moore (Brad Bennett, David Johnson), 10:30.

THIRD PERIOD — 3, Kansas City, Matt Quante (Moore), 14:27 (pp).

Shots on goal — Oak Leafs 6-8-7—21.
Kansas City 9-9-7—25.

Penalties — Oak Leafs 4-8. Kansas City 5-10.

Goalies — Oak Leafs, Matt Barth (23 shots-21 saves). Kansas City, Roy Cook (20 shots-19 saves).

SIOUX CITY 5, DUBUQUE 2

Score by periods: (1) (2) (3) Tot:
Sioux City 2 0 3— 5
Dubuque 0 2 0— 2

FIRST PERIOD — 1, Sioux City, Corey Mozak (Kyle Rogers), 8:05. 2, Sioux City, Rogers (Rickey Nearman, Mozak), 13:51 (pp).

SECOND PERIOD — 3, Dubuque, Nate Gaherty (Tim Roth, Chris Richman), 1:07 (pp). 4, Dubuque, Gaherty (Robbie Bergman), 8:57.

THIRD PERIOD — 5, Sioux City, Joel Kempter (unassisted), 1:55. 6, Sioux City, Cody Muir (Casey Mills, Ben Gill), 7:57. 7, Sioux City, Mozak (Brian Swanson), 12:40 (pp).

Shots on goal — Sioux City 11-9-13—33.
Dubuque 7-7-9—23.

Penalties — Sioux City 7-14. Dubuque 7-14.

Goalies — Sioux City, Ross Patrick (23 shots-21 saves). Dubuque, Joe Steuck (33 shots-28 saves).