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## Warriors out-gunned in tourney opener, 10-7

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WATERLOO minute shoot-out, the Waterloo

Warriors were simply out-shot. The Sioux City Metros shot around, past and through the Waterloo defense Friday night, scoring a wild, 10-7 victory in the opening round of the Iowa High School Hockey League State Tournament at Young

Arena Sophomore Kevin Lohry led Sioux City's charge with four goals and two assists, while Waterloo soph Brice Thompson scored a hat trick, but in one of the highest-scoring games in state tournament history, there were plenty of offensive num-

bers to go around. For Warrior coach Mike Brown, there was plenty of defensive blame to spread, too.

"It's a team game," Brown said. "From top to bottom, that kind of defense just isn't what state tournament hockey is all about.

Waterloo's offense showed up in full effect, scoring two goals in the game's first three minutes, but the Metros answered every time the Warriors threatened to put the game out of reach. Waterloo went up by two goals after Jason Dobes aned Brice Thompson scored in the opening minutes but Aaron Limoges cut the lead to one with a 20-foot slapshot at the 6:12 mark in the first period. Dobes put Waterloo up by two

again on a power-play rebound at 11:14 in the first, but Lohry answered with his first goal of the night, scoring on a power play with just ten seconds left in Thompson's second goal, off a

nice set-up by Dustin Guess and 2 early in the second, but Sioux City took the lead with three straight goals, including two by senior forward Cody Muir.

At the 10:19 mark in the second, Thompson scored his third goal, picking up a loose puck on his back-hand side, switching and shooting past Metro goalie Beau Erickson to forge a 5-5 tie. Lohry scored twice late in the second, though, to put the Metros on top for good.

"He's a racehorse, and he just

wants to run," Metro coach Jeff Gray said of Lohry. "He's got great speed and a lot of heart." Lohry took the heart out the Warriors with a power-play goal

early in the third that made the score 8-5. With the Warriors already down a man due to a Michael Fritts roughing penalty, Dustin Guess got a chance at a short-handed breakaway but flipped over a Metro defender and slammed hard to the ice. With Guess shaken up and struggling to get off the ice, Waterloo was essentially two men short as Lohry walked in for an easy goal to put Sioux City up by three.

"In that second period they really came after us, and defen sively we just didn't get it done Brown said. "It seemed like we had the mentality that we were just going to go all-out on offense and get it done, but in the state tournament you've got to play

DES MOINES OAK LEAFS 6. OMAHA JR. LANCERS 3 - In the opening game of the tourna

ment, the sixth-seeded Oak Leafs scored six straight goals to put away the two-time defending league champions. Jason Brown and Kyle Norris each scored twice for the Oak Leafs, who led 6-1 by the end of the second peri-

DES MOINES CAPITALS 4, KANSAS CITY 1 — The sec-ond-seeded Capitals opened up a barrage of shots on Kansas City, out-shooting the Jr. Blades, 46-17, to set up an all-Des Moines

MASON CITY 3, LINCOLN 2. OT - Mike Murtaugh scored 39 seconds into overtime to res cue the league's top team against the No. 8 seed Jr. Stars. Lincoln's Charlie Davis scored early in the first, and the 1-0 score held up until Mohawk center Cole Despenas scored on a power-play with 1:46 gone in the third. Mason City's Kyle Abben scored an apparent game-winner with 3:22 left in the game but Lincoln's Lars Nielsen sent the game into overtime with a

rebound shot with 1:14 left in

regulation.

pter-SC (roughing) 11:50, Muir-SC lighing), 15:00, Frets/Wat (double ame rissonduct), 15:00.

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Sioux City's Aaron Limoges, left, and Ben Kambach collide with Waterloo's Dustin Guess late in the second period Friday night

