



WEEK 5: Fall 2025

RECAP



		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 43 Regular Season 6:10 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	Yellowjackets (5 - 0 - 0) MASTERS	3	4	3	10
	Monarchs (3 - 2 - 0) MASTERS	1	0	3	4

Yellowjackets Light Up the Scoreboard in 10–4 Win Over Monarchs

The Yellowjackets offense was firing on all cylinders Sunday night, rolling past the Monarchs 10–4 in a high-scoring affair. John Petricig led the charge with a hat trick and three assists, while linemates Eric Murray and Trey McMillen combined for seven points of their own. The Yellowjackets set the tone early, burying three quick goals in the first five minutes and never looking back. Sean Taylor added his first two tallies of the season, and the Jackets carried a commanding 4–1 lead into the break.

The second period was more of the same, with the Yellowjackets netting four unanswered goals before the Monarchs could regroup. Petricig's second goal stood as the game-winner, capping off a night of crisp passing and relentless forechecking. Goalie John Belanger stood tall when called upon, turning away 15 of 19 shots, while the Yellowjackets' defense kept the Monarchs to the perimeter for much of the game.

Despite a late push from the Monarchs—highlighted by goals from Dan Leary, Dan McKinney, and Mike Kelly—the deficit was too much to overcome. The Yellowjackets' balanced attack and unselfish puck movement proved too much, as nine different players recorded points. With the win, the Yellowjackets improve their record and further cement themselves as one of the league's most dangerous offensive squads this season.



		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 46 Regular Season 7:20 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	Knights (1 - 3 - 1) MASTERS	1	2	0	3
	Kodiaks (3 - 2 - 0) MASTERS	3	1	3	7

Kodiaks Overpower Knights 7–3 in Offensive Showcase

The Kodiaks stormed to a decisive 7–3 win over the Knights in a game that featured fast-paced, end-to-end action and plenty of firepower. After falling behind early, the Kodiaks responded with three straight goals in the opening frame, flipping the script with relentless pressure and smart puck movement. Robert Mooney and Brandon Blake helped spark the comeback, while Andrew MacNeil capped off the first period with his first of the season to give the Kodiaks a 3–1 advantage heading into the second.

The Knights showed life in the middle frame, with Chad Gillpatrick and John Hagan finding the back of the net to briefly close the gap. But the Kodiaks answered back with a clutch goal from Chris Keating, whose unassisted tally stood as the game-winner. Goaltender Jake Smoliniky was sharp when it mattered, turning aside 17 shots to preserve the lead as the Kodiaks defense tightened up in the closing minutes.

In the third period, the Kodiaks took complete control, lighting the lamp three more times to seal the victory. Jason Bernard and Tyler Fiumara continued their hot streaks, each racking up multiple points to pace the offense. With the win, the Kodiaks improve to 2–1 on the season, building momentum and confidence as their chemistry continues to click early in the campaign.



		1ST	2ND	3RD	OT	
Game 49 Regular Season 8:30 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE >	 Threshers (0 - 5 - 0) MASTERS	1	1	2	0	4
	 Bulls (5 - 0 - 0) MASTERS	3	1	0	1	5

O'Connell Seals Overtime Thriller for Bulls Over Threshers

The Bulls and Threshers treated fans to a Sunday night classic that ended in dramatic fashion, as Jason O'Connell buried the overtime winner to lift the Bulls to a 5–4 victory. The opening period was all Bulls, with Josh Tobias, Bill Hingston, and O'Connell each striking early to build a commanding 3–1 lead. The Threshers showed flashes of life, as Swami Thangaraj's unassisted goal kept them within reach, but the Bulls' offensive balance carried them into the intermission with momentum.

In the second, the Bulls extended their lead behind a laser from John Killion, his seventh of the season, before the Threshers began mounting their comeback. Eric Johnson's second-period goal brought energy back to their bench, setting the stage for a furious third. The Threshers roared back with two quick strikes—Ken Coulstring and Johnson again—to erase the deficit and send the game into overtime, stunning the Bulls and the rink alike.

But overtime was short-lived. Less than a minute into the extra frame, O'Connell found himself in the right place at the right time, taking a slick feed from Alex Mesheau and burying the game-winner past Joe Burke. Killion added yet another assist to his stat line, capping a multi-point night and sealing the Bulls' fifth straight win. The Threshers may have come up short, but their late surge proved they can hang with anyone in the SSCHL.

		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 50 Regular Season 9:02 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE >	 Mariners (0 - 4 - 1) MASTERS	0	1	2	3
	 Vipers (2 - 3 - 0) MASTERS	1	1	2	4



Vipers Stay Hot with Late Surge Over Mariners

The Vipers continued their strong start to the season with a gritty 4–3 win over the Mariners, powered by late-game heroics and clutch performances from their top line. Albert Clark got things rolling in the first, burying his fourth of the year off a slick feed from PJ Senatore. The Mariners answered back midway through the second as Chris Robichaud tied it, but Clark struck again minutes later to restore the Vipers’ lead heading into the final frame.

The third period saw both teams trading blows, with the Mariners’ Peter Krukiel pulling them even before the Vipers found another gear. Paul Szydowski’s go-ahead goal gave the Vipers a 3–2 advantage, but the Mariners wouldn’t go quietly — Alex Lee knotted it up yet again with less than a minute to play, keeping the crowd buzzing and overtime looming.

But the Vipers weren’t done. With just 1:42 left on the clock, Mike McCarthy came through with the game-winner, finishing a beautiful setup from Senatore and Tom Doucette. Senatore, the playmaker of the night, finished with three assists, while Brian Prendeville stood tall between the pipes to secure the win. The Mariners skated hard and kept it close, but the Vipers’ late punch proved too much in another high-tempo SSCHL showdown.





		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 44 Regular Season 6:43 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE >	 Hawks (1 - 4 - 0) CLASSICS	0	0	1	1
	 Longhorns (4 - 1 - 0) CLASSICS	3	1	0	4

Longhorns Jump Out Early and Cruise Past Hawks

The Longhorns came out flying Sunday night, building a commanding lead early and cruising to a 4–1 win over the Hawks. John Sances wasted no time getting the scoring started midway through the first, converting off a setup from John Zimmer. Less than a minute later, Sances struck again for what would stand as the game-winner, with Bill Sawtelle picking up the assist. Ed Mortell added another before the period was done, giving the Longhorns a 3–0 cushion after one.

Zimmer continued the offensive surge in the second period, burying his tenth of the season on a feed from Sances to push the lead to four. The Longhorns controlled possession throughout, outshooting the Hawks 30–23 and keeping steady pressure on Barry Kaiser, who faced a barrage of chances in net.

The Hawks found life late in the third when Peter Fallon broke the shutout with help from Kevin Gee, but it was too little, too late. Goalie Doc Smith stood tall for the Longhorns, keeping the Hawks off the board until the final minutes and securing another strong team win. With the dynamic duo of Sances and Zimmer continuing to roll, the Longhorns look like a team built for a deep run this season.



		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 45 Regular Season 7:50 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	 Bolts (2 - 3 - 0) CLASSICS	1	1	2	4
	 Mountainmen (2 - 3 - 0) CLASSICS	0	0	1	1

Bolts Strike Early and Often to Down Mountainmen

The Bolts were in control from the opening faceoff, powering past the Mountainmen 4–1 behind a relentless attack and solid goaltending from Rick Welch. Peter Vitello got things started midway through the first period, finishing a setup from Andrew Mellen to open the scoring. The Bolts peppered Ron Hughes with 16 shots in the first alone, setting the tone for a night dominated by puck possession and pressure.

Just eight seconds into the second period, Mark Vitello delivered what would stand as the game-winner, cashing in short-handed on a feed from Shaun Vitello. The Bolts kept their foot on the gas, outshooting the Mountainmen 37–21 overall, and controlling play in all three zones. Despite a few physical moments, their disciplined approach kept them out of trouble while forcing the Mountainmen into mistakes.

In the third, George Thibeault added his first of the season before Mark Vitello sealed the deal with his second of the night late in the game. Jay Daniels managed to break the shutout for the Mountainmen, but it was too little, too late. The Bolts’ combination of speed, structure, and balanced scoring continues to make them one of the league’s toughest teams to match up against.

		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 47 Regular Season 7:51 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	 Astros (4 - 1 - 0) CLASSICS	0	0	0	0
	 Reapers (1 - 4 - 0) CLASSICS	0	3	1	4



Reapers Dominate Astros with Second-Period Surge

The Reapers took control after a scoreless first period, erupting for three quick goals in the second to take command of the game. Dan Sloan, Ronnie May, and Scott Churchill combined for the game’s first goal at 10:34, setting the tone for a dominant performance. Pat Ryan and Jim Polito added insurance later in the period, helping the Reapers build a comfortable lead while outshooting the Astros 21–13 on the night.

Discipline and opportunistic scoring defined the Reapers’ approach. While the Astros picked up penalties, including Ric Tomasi’s slashing and John Ruzzano’s unsportsmanlike misconduct, the Reapers capitalized

on their chances and remained relatively clean. Key plays from Sloan and Churchill, along with a solid showing from goalie Howie Bumpus, kept the Astros off the board despite their 13 shots.

In the third period, Dan Sloan closed out the scoring with his second goal of the game at 1:46, cementing the 4–0 win. The Reapers demonstrated a balanced attack, strong defensive coverage, and timely scoring that left the Astros struggling to respond. This victory highlights the Reapers’ ability to dominate both ends of the ice and maintain pressure throughout the game.

		1ST	2ND	3RD	
Game 48 Regular Season 9:03 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	 Spartans (3 - 2 - 0) CLASSICS	0	1	1	2
	 Fury (3 - 2 - 0) CLASSICS	1	0	0	1



Spartans Rally to Overtake Fury in Tight Battle

The Fury struck first in the opening period with a goal from Nate Powell, assisted by Jay DiCarlo at 8:22, giving them an early 1–0 lead. Despite the promising start, the Spartans maintained pressure throughout the period, matching the Fury with six shots on goal to keep the game close. Goalie Matt Nelson held firm in net, ensuring that Fury’s early momentum didn’t translate into a larger advantage.

The second period saw the Spartans even the score at 9:42 as Bill Petrarca, Jeff Vancura, and Pete Cleary combined on a key goal. Both teams continued to trade scoring chances and maintain offensive pressure, with the Spartans outshooting Fury 9–7 in the period. Penalties were minimal, though Eric Morgan and Nate Powell picked up minor infractions for Fury, keeping the game’s pace aggressive yet disciplined.

In the third period, Spartans’ captain Bill Petrarca delivered the game-winning goal unassisted at 11:25, securing a 2–1 victory. The Spartans outshot Fury 9–10 in the period, showcasing a balanced offensive effort while relying on strong goaltending from Nelson to hold the Fury scoreless after the first period. The win highlighted the Spartans’ resilience and ability to capitalize on critical moments under pressure.



		1ST	2ND	3RD	OT	
Game 41 Regular Season 5:00 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	 Patriots (5 - 0 - 0) FEDERALS	0	2	0	1	3
	 Bulldogs (1 - 4 - 0) FEDERALS	1	1	0	0	2



Patriots Rally in Overtime to Top Bulldogs

The Bulldogs jumped out to an early lead in the first period with a goal from Robert Sullivan, assisted by Ed O’Brien and Chris Daale at 5:51, taking a 1–0 advantage. They extended their lead in the second period with another goal from Chris Daale, assisted by Ed O’Brien, making it 2–0. The Patriots struggled to find the net

initially, managing only a handful of shots in the first period as Ken Menkello held steady in goal for the Bulldogs.

The Patriots responded in the second period with two quick goals to tie the game. Mark Kaplan, Chris Healy, and Adam Young combined on the first, while Chris Healy, John Brezniak, and Chuck Kilfoye connected for the second, evening the score at 2–2. The third period remained scoreless despite both teams generating opportunities, with Terry McGovern and Ken Menkello standing tall in net. A minor penalty for high sticking on Mike Fay of the Patriots was the only infraction of the period.

In overtime, the Patriots completed their comeback with Chuck Kilfoye scoring the game-winning goal at 2:45, assisted by Mark Kaplan. The overtime winner capped a resilient rally by the Patriots, who outshot the Bulldogs 3–0 in the extra frame, demonstrating their determination and clutch performance in critical moments. The 3–2 overtime victory highlighted the team’s ability to respond under pressure and secure a hard-fought win.

		1ST	2ND	3RD	OT	SO	
Game 42 Regular Season 6:25 PM Oct 5, 2025 VIEW BOX SCORE	 Chiefs (3 - 2 - 0) FEDERALS	1	1	1	0	1	4
	 Presidents (1 - 4 - 0) FEDERALS	0	1	2	0	0	3

Chiefs Claim Shootout Victory Over Presidents

The Chiefs and Presidents battled to a 3–3 tie through regulation, with both teams exchanging early strikes. Steve O’Mara gave the Chiefs an early 1–0 lead at 3:23 of the first period, assisted by Scott Kramer. The Presidents responded in the second period with Kevin Mackin and Ryan Wentworth connecting on a goal at 8:33 to tie the game. The Chiefs answered back before the period ended as O’Mara notched his second goal of the game, assisted by Hank Mosca and Daron Jacobs.

The third period saw the Presidents push for the equalizer, scoring three unanswered goals to take a 3–3 tie heading into overtime. Ryan Wentworth, Chuck Peterson, Sean Fitzgerald, and Teddy Bohld all contributed to the rally. The Chiefs managed a late goal from Tim Cruz, assisted by Jay Faherty, keeping the score even and sending the game into overtime. Goaltenders Jeff Nawrocki for the Chiefs and Dan Nason for the Presidents both made key stops to maintain the deadlock.

Overtime remained scoreless despite several quality chances from both sides, forcing a shootout to determine the winner. The Chiefs ultimately prevailed in the shootout, securing a 4–3 victory. The high shot totals—41 for the Chiefs and 28 for the Presidents—reflected a fast-paced, hard-fought contest that featured skillful finishing and disciplined netminding.

