

*Game 3 Recap, Chiefs vs. Ducks,
3/29/05, 8:15 p.m., Wheaton Indoor Ice Rink*

Good evening, and welcome to WCHN AM 300, the Chiefs Hockey Network. I'm your host, Pierre MontSaintBlanc de Poisson. Hockey North America served up more thrilling Beginner League action last night as your Washington Chiefs took on the Baltimore Ducks, in a rematch of the Chiefs season opener. Evidently, ticket sales were at an all time high for last night's game as improper and inadequate traffic patterns into the arena parking lot caused an accident on the Maryland Beltway backing traffic up all the way back to the American Legion bridge. Legions of Chiefs fans could be seen in traffic, fuming that they would have to pass the arena's beer carts and a pre-game round in order to avoid missing the opening face off. Many of the players themselves had trouble getting to the arena on time, with Chiefs defenseman Jerry Tollander saying, "I'm just glad I didn't have the Maserati tonight. Because I had my truck, four-wheel-drive just took on a whole new level of importance in getting me to the game tonight."

Unfortunately, the Ducks prevailed 3-1 in a hotly contested game that featured end to end rushes, thunderous hitting, and referees who were not afraid to blow their whistles. Although sustained offensive pressure had plagued the Potomac Basin Indigenous People in their first two games, the team covered both ends of the ice exceptionally well tonight and exploited the Ducks' suspect defense repeatedly. A great offensive zone effort on the part of the Chiefs' defensemen helped keep the puck in the zone throughout all 3 periods. The Ducks did not see Dave Leib and Paul Kobernick in the inaugural game and they provided a definite spark which clearly caught the opposition off-guard, and infused the Chiefs bench with a great deal of enthusiasm.

The "Goalie of the Week" program continued as the Ducks started a previously unseen goalie. Although relatively small in stature, the Ducks' netminder made many solid saves stymieing the Chiefs forwards on numerous choice opportunities. Finally, in period 2, with the Chiefs down 2-0, high flying winger Sue Wood set up shop in the right wing corner, drawing the attention of the opposition's defensemen and then slid the puck to the slot area where the waiting Kobernick put down his ham sandwich, and bagged a wrist shot for his first goal of the season. The 2nd period also saw numerous penalties from both teams, as Kobernick highlighted his "Gordie Howe Night" with a 2 minute minor in addition to his goal, the Chiefs' Robert Dewey was shown the box for a 2 minute tripping minor, Ryan Fayhee cleverly drew a roughing call on one of the

Ducks' defensemen (putting the teams back to even strength), and then finally during the ensuing Chiefs power play, the white, black and red were whistled for too many men on the ice, thereby nullifying the man advantage. The penalty was graciously served by JoLinda Johnson, however the minutes were charged to the team. "Hammer" Johnson was also on the receiving end of a vicious unintentional collision with a Ducks forward in front of the Chiefs bench. No penalties were handed out and Johnson was clearly rocked by the hit, but finished the game skating hard. Team physician Dr. Slapshotovich stated regarding Johnson's injury and status, "Johnson was caught in.....how do you say?.....Bolshevik trolley tracks. She has.....grade 0.5 concussion.....no problem.....we fit her with steel plate.....good as new!" As to whether she would be cleared to play in the next game Dr. Dmitri was overheard saying, "She will definitely play, unless she is unable."

Chiefs winger, Josh Schopf was back in the lineup tonight after dealing with a troublesome ankle, while Ann Hendrix-Jenkins was a healthy scratch tonight. The game puck was awarded to Paul Kobernick for his goal and great effort with honorable mentions going to Dave Leib, and goalie John Bretschneider, who lowered his goals against average from 6.0 to 5.0.

"The Little Indians" fan club had their locker room reception after last night's game. The McCormicks, including Mom (and team treasurer) Meg, were given all access passes to greet the players. Seth and Ross were sporting their newly made jerseys with Dad, Curtis' proud #7 on the backs. Seth was very much awe struck being so close to his heroes and nearly fell over backwards while sizing up the Chiefs' towering defenseman John Walker. Ross was overheard saying, "MOM!?!?!?.....The smell! Oh my gosh!" while newborn Eli summed up everyone's thoughts with, "Zzzzzzzzzz....."

Fans, come out next Tuesday, April 5th at 8:15pm to see your Chiefs take on arch rival The Unknowns again at the Wheaton Indoor Ice Rink. Great luxury boxes, partial plans, and even those hard to come by standing room only tickets for the 23rd mezzanine are still available! The best hockey in Washington isn't being played at the MCI Center, so come out and wave those tomahawks in support of the Chiefs. They've got the war paint on, do you? For tickets call 1-555-TEEPEES, that's 1-555-TEEPEES. Purchase your tickets today to secure your seats for the upcoming Beginner League playoffs in May!

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