



## WWHSHL ALL STAR DAY GAME REPORT - JETS

Final Score: Jets White 4-3 SO

Game Stars:

1\* Janique Balcaen, St. Mary's Flames

2\* Bianca Bucci, FRC Centurions

3\* Jenny Kim, St. Mary's Flames

After another excellent singing of O' Canada by Tristin Ryz of J.H. Bruns, the WWHSHL marquee event got underway to an impressively fast pace. The teams traded early chances with shots from the Blue team led by #4 Bianca Bucci and #14 Alexie Siwak. Responses came from the White team led by #11 Dana Poulton and #10 Jenny Kim, who was awarded an early penalty shot after an infraction by the Blue team. Jenny skated in, faked a slap shot and deked to her forehand beating Blue Goaltender #31 Rachelle Jeffrey, 1 - 0 White. Moments later another penalty shot was awarded to the White team, this time taken by #8 Emily Koop. Emily elected to shoot stick-side and Rachelle turned her away with an amazing blocker save. The penalties kept on coming with an infraction by the White team and a penalty shot awarded to #12 Emma Pales. Emma fired stick-side and beat White Goaltender #33 Heaven Moneyas to tie the score. Moments later the Blue team took the lead after a set up by #11 Sonya Neale. Bianca fired a hard slap shot which Heaven stopped but couldn't control. Bianca grabbed her own rebound and fired the puck home, 2 - 1 Blue. The White team responded led by #14 Paige Shwaluk who skated at warp speed down the ice and fired a hard shot which Rachelle turned aside. The final seconds ticked away. The Blue team registered a shot by League scoring leader #8 Ashley Keller, but Heaven was equal to the challenge and made the save. Shots on goal in the First Period, Blue 7, White 5.

In the Second Period, with #33 Samantha Robert now in goal for the Blue team and #35 Emily Shippam now in goal for the White team, the torrid pace continued with shots from the White team registered by Dana and #5 Keira Christensen and responses from the Blue team led by #10 Makenna Mikoloyenko and #5 Kaylee Doerksen who combined for an excellent passing play culminating in a slap shot from Kaylee which Emily gloved. Not to be outdone, Alexie led a rush passing to Ashley who fired a shot that also ended up in Emily's glove. White responded with a hard slap shot from #4 Claire Bumstead. On the next play the Blue team was penalized, and Emily Koop was awarded another penalty shot. Emily again fired stick-side and Samantha made an excellent save. The teams traded chances and then momentum swung in favour of the White team who exerted sustained pressure in the blue zone. A shot from White was stopped by Samantha but she lost her goal stick in the process. Paige was quick to take advantage and fired the puck home, 2 - 2. As the seconds wound down the teams traded chances, but a promising Blue 2-on-1 chance was taken away by the buzzer. Shots on goal in the Second Period, Blue 8, White 10.

With the score tied and the shots even, the Third Period promised to be exciting and did not disappoint. With #31, Grace Fedirchuk in goal for the White team and #35 Haillie Yewchyn now in goal for the Blue team, the action continued apace. A promising chance for the White team was started by #12 Kiera Shwaluk, who was making it a family affair, along with her sister #13 Maddie Shwaluk also playing for the White Jets. Kiera passed to #3 Martina Barclay who fired a shot which Samantha stopped but couldn't corral. This led to a furious goalmouth scramble and eventually #2 Janique Balcaen was able to fire the puck home. However, on video review the goal was disallowed for Goaltender Interference. Moments later the Blue team responded with a

dangerous wraparound attempt by Alexie. After White briefly cleared the zone led by Jenny, the Blue team was back on the attack. The play was started by Makenna who passed to Sonya who in turn fed the puck to #13 Risa Shatford. Risa fired a backhand to the stick-side which went in off the right arm of Grace, 3 - 2 Blue. As the Third Period wound down, the White team tried desperately to tie the score and exerted steady pressure led by Dana and #7 Melayna Drozd who fired a shot which Haillie turned aside. The White team also registered a wrist shot from #15 Lily Sousa which also was stopped by Haillie. On the next play the Blue team was penalized, and a penalty shot was awarded to #9 Alley Herring. Alley skated down and beat Haillie 5-hole to even the score 3 - 3. Then a dangerous rush from Ashley was headed off by Lily to keep the score tied. The final buzzer went moments later to end regulation time. Shots on goal in the Third Period, Blue 5 for a Three Period total of 20, White 9 for a Three Period total of 24.

Teams then went to a three-round shoot-out. The White team went first with Jenny skating down the ice. She tried the 5-hole but was turned aside. Then it was the Blue team's turn with #15 Madisyn Smith firing a backhand to the glove side only to be stopped. In the second round Paige tried to deke to her forehand but the puck slipped off her stick. Then #6 Rayley Goetz fired glove side but missed just wide. In the third round Claire Bumstead got too close and was foiled by an excellent poke check. An attempt by Risa Shatford to go stick-side was deflected by an excellent right pad save.

Now we were into sudden death. Janique Balcaen skated down at a deliberately slow pace, stick-handling so quickly that her moves were a blur. She deked to her backhand and then went forehand putting the puck in the open net. Now Blue had to score, and that task went to #7 Brooke Johnstone. Brooke fired a hard shot, but it was deflected by an excellent left pad save and the White team poured onto the ice to congratulate their goaltender.

Final Score – Jets White 4-3 SO. With the winning goal scored on the shoot-out, Janique Balcaen was awarded First Star. Second Star Bianca Bucci and Third Star Jenny Kim.