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BLADES ARE CHAMPS



Provost Wins First BRHL Championship With 7-0 Romp on Home Ice

The Provost Blades won the Battle River Hockey League (BRHL) championship series four games to one with a 7-0 win in Game 5 against the Wainwright Rustlers at the Provost Arena on Friday, March 20.

The hometown crowd cheered the Blades to a convincing win as the team captured their first BRHL title since the league began over 50 years ago.

Provost gave Wainwright little room to move from the opening draw as the Blades carried the play for the bulk of the first period.

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Provost Blades' defenseman Brett McInnis (No. 6) is swarmed by teammates after scoring their fifth goal of the game on a seemingly harmless dump-in from near centre ice that took a funny bounce to elude the Wainwright Rustlers' goalie. A Wainwright Rustlers' player (right) covers his face in disbelief as everything was going the Blades' way. ©PROVOST NEWS PHOTO.

Provost Bantams Win Tier 1 League

Already provincial champions, the Provost Bantams closed out an outstanding season by winning their Tier 1 North East Alberta Hockey League at the Provost Arena on Sunday, March 22.

This team became the first Provost club to win a league title at the Tier 1 level by beating first place Lac La Biche in two very close games in a best of three series.

Incoming M.D. of Provost Administrator Welcomed

The M.D. of Provost has decided on a candidate to take the role of administrator as the current administrator, Iris Larson, gets set for retirement later this year.

Tyler Lawrason, from south of Czar, will be the new administrator following a transition period which starts on April 1.

Provost Area Has Lowest Unemployment Rate Again

Gap Widens Between this Region and all Others in Alberta

Unemployment in this region moved up by only 0.1 per cent from January to February as it went from 3.1 per cent to 3.2 per cent. This was the smallest increase among all regions.