

MBA vs Breck/Wahp.

Peter Lindblad recorded another hat trick and Will Johnson made 23 saves as the MBA Storm defeated the Breckenridge/Wahpeton Braves 6-2 at the Lee Community Center in Morris on Tuesday, January 27th.

Tyler Hansen got MBA off to a quick start when he scored on the first shift of the night, just 34 seconds into the game, with assists going to Lindblad and Jake Maska. Lindblad then added two unassisted goals; at 11:10 on a delayed power play, and again at 13:44 and the Storm led 3-0 heading into the first period intermission. Johnson made 8 saves in the period and the B/W goalie made 10.

B/W scored with just 1:37 left in the second period on a 5-on-3 power play to draw to within two goals and it looked like they might close the gap further when the Storm received another penalty and the Braves had a 5-on-3 advantage again just seconds later. Hansen however stole the puck from two B/W players on a fore-check in the Braves end and he passed to Lindblad who beat the goalie with just 1:07 remaining in the period to regain the 3 goal advantage for MBA at 4-1. Second period saves were 8 for Johnson and 7 for B/W.

B/W scored the first goal of the third period at the 2:38 mark but the Storm answered with the last two goals of the game to make the final score 6-2. Brady Valnes got the first goal for MBA on a power play with an assist going to Andreas Siggelin at 6:38 and Dustin Sauter continued his recent scoring surge with an unassisted goal on a breakaway at 7:10. Johnson made 7 more saves in the third with B/W stopping 6 Storm attempts.

MBA now takes an 8-6-1 record into their game on Saturday the 31st at 3:00 in Luverne. In the coming week they also have home games in Morris against Fargo Shanley at 6:30 on Tuesday, February 3rd, and against Prairie Centre at 7:00 on Thursday the 5th.