



Game Report 2186

World Under-17 Hockey Challenge

PLAYED AT: Harbour Station

Date: Nov 8, 2018

VisitingHome

Team: Team:

Finland Canada

White

GAME NOTES: FINNS SHOCK WHITE IN SHOOTOUT, ADVANCE TO U17 SEMIS JASON LA ROSE SAINT JOHN, N.B. – Joel Blomqvist finished with 43 saves in regulation and overtime, Roby Järventie scored the shootout winner and Finland upset previously-unbeaten Canada White 4-3 on Thursday afternoon to advance to the semifinals at the 2018 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge. The Finns saw a three-goal lead evaporate before Järventie, Aatu Rätty and Jesse Seppälä all beat White goaltender Tristan Lennox (Cambridge, Ont./Brantford, OJHL) to send the Nordic nation to the semis for the first time since 2014. It will face the winner of the Canada Red-United States quarter-final on Friday (time TBD). Rätty got the shootout started with a goal before the next five shooters came up empty. Järventie put the Finns on the brink of a win, but Canadian captain Jake Neighbours (Airdrie, Alta./Edmonton, WHL) kept his team alive. Seppälä finished it one shot later, going five-hole on Lennox to clinch the win. Both teams came out full throttle, combining for 31 shots in an entertaining first period. It looked as if the Canadians would open the scoring when its vaunted power play went to work midway through the opening frame, but Blomqvist made five of his 14 stops to keep it scoreless. Rätty broke through for the Finns just shy of the 17-minute mark, crashing the net to knock a rebound past Lennox, and he added a second goal in the dying seconds of the period on another second chance to make it 2-0 after 20 minutes. Seppälä extended the lead to three just 4:22 into the second period, tucking a loose puck around Lennox, but the Canadian goaltender settled in after that en route to a 35-save performance. Neighbours took over the rest of the middle frame; he snuck behind the Finnish defence and went five-hole on Blomqvist to get the Canadians on the board, and snapped in a quick shot right off a won face-off to make it a one-goal game after two periods. The Canadians swarmed Blomqvist in the third, getting chance after chance, but the puck-stopper kept the highest-scoring team from the preliminary round at bay, including a right pad stop off Cole Perfetti (Whitby, Ont./Saginaw, OHL) that ranked as his best of the game. White finally got even with 55.3 seconds left and Lennox on the bench when Connor McClennon (Wainwright, Alta./Kootenay, WHL) poked in a free puck for his tournament-leading seventh goal. Finland had the best chance of the 10-minute overtime when Kasper Puutio wired a slap shot off the post behind Lennox, but an entertaining game ultimately needed a shootout to decide it. The Finnish win marks the fourth year in a row that a fourth-place team has beaten a group winner in the quarter-finals. Canada White will play for fifth place Friday, against an as-yet-unknown opponent (time TBD).

FINLAND LINEUP			FINLAND PENALTIES									CANADA WHITE LINEUP			CANADA WHITE PENALTIES									
Pos	No.	Name	Per.	No.	Min	Offence	Off	PP	PS	Start	On	Pos	No.	Name	Per.	No.	Min	Offence	Off	PP	PS	Start	On	
G	1	Blomqvist, Joel	1st	34	2:00	Cross-Checking	8:39	1		8:39		G	1	Lennox, Tristan	1st	16	2:00	Tripping	12:14	1		12:14		
G	31	Väyrynen, Max	2nd	35	2:00	Slashing	11:12	1		11:12		G	31	Cossa, Sebastian										
	2	Puutio, Kasper	2nd	29	2:00	Tripping	19:47	1		19:47			2	Power, Owen										
	4	Lehmus, Joonas	3rd	7	2:00	Holding	5:16	1		5:16			3	Renwick, Michael										
	5	Niemelä, Topi	3rd	2	2:00	Interference	11:53	1		11:53			4	DesRoches, Charlie										
	6	Nyman, Luka											5	Poirier, Jérémie										
	7	Säkinen, Iivari											6	Prokop, Luke										
	10	Viro, Eemil											7	Evangelista, Luke										
	12	Hahl, Veikka											8	Seeley, Ronan										
	13	Hirvonen, Roni											10	Rochette, Théo										
	15	Kamaranta, Valtteri											12	Veillette, William										
	20	Mäenpää, Juuso											14	Butler, Cameron										
	21	Määttä, Joel											15	McClennon, Connor										
	22	Niemi, Eero											16	Robinson, Dylan										
	23	Rätty, Aatu											17	Bourgault, Xavier										
	25	Suni, Oliver											18	Piercey, Riley										
	27	Seppälä, Jesse											19	Neighbours, Jake										
	29	Korkalainen, Veeti											20	Tolnai, Cameron										
	32	Järventie, Roby											21	Perfetti, Cole										
	34	Rafkin, Ruben											22	Bourque, Mavrik										
	35	Pärssinen, Jiri											23	Ambrosio, Colby										
	36	Sedoff, Christoffer											24	Moore, Lleyton										

FINLAND Goals			FINLAND PLAYERS (plus)			CANADA WHITE PLAYERS (minus)			CANADA WHITE Goals			CANADA WHITE PLAYERS (plus)			FINLAND PLAYERS (minus)		
Per.	Time	G-As1-As2							Per.	Time	G-As1-As2						
1st	16:36	23-27-29							2nd	6:08	19-21-6						
1st	19:22	23-27							2nd	14:09	19-22						
2nd	4:22	27-29							3rd	19:04	15-10-5						

POWER PLAY OPPORTUNITIES		SCORING						GOALTENDER/SAVES (Time)										OFFICIALS			
		1	2	3	OT1	SO	Total	1	2	3	OT1	Tot.	On	Off							
FINLAND	0 / 1	2	1	0	0	1	4	FIN - Blomqvist (70:00) (V)	14	14	11	4	43	/0:00	1st OT/10:00	Referee:					
CANADA WHITE	0 / 5	0	2	1	0	0	3	CAN-W - Lennox (58:02) (SL)	15	7	9	0	31	/0:00	3rd/18:02	Referee:					
PENALTY SUMMARY								CAN-W - Lennox (10:56) (SL)	0	0	0	4	4	/19:04	1st OT/10:00	Linesman:					

PENALTY SUMMARY	
FINLAND	10 min / 5 inf
CANADA WHITE	2 min / 1 inf

POINT SUMMARY	
FINLAND	3 G + 4 A = 7 Pts
CANADA WHITE	3 G + 5 A = 8 Pts

SHOOTOUT	
FINLAND shoots first for each round.	
FINLAND	CANADA WHITE
# SHOOTER	# SHOOTER
23 Aatu Rätty Goal	- 21 Cole Perfetti
25 Oliver Suni -	- 15 Connor McClennon
13 Roni Hirvonen -	- 10 Théo Rochette
32 Roby Järventie Goal	Goal 19 Jake Neighbours
27 Jesse Seppälä Goal	
TOTALS: 3	1

Stars of the Game		TIME OF GAME:	
-		Start:	3:37 PM
-		End:	6:05 PM
-		Attendance:	

This report has been checked and verified against the Official World Under-17 Hockey Challenge Game Report.