

Bulls trounce Frontenacs in OHL action

Belleville takes decisive 8-2 win at Yardmen Arena

By Nam Phi Dang

The Belleville Bulls proved to be untamable when they faced the Kingston Frontenacs Wednesday night in the fifth of eight meetings this season. Within the first 20 minutes of the match, the Bulls pulled a four-point lead against the Frontenacs starting goalie, Mike Morrison, and finished off the night with an 8-2 win.

Despite both teams having made 11 attempts on goal in the first period, the Bulls proved their strength and scored within the first five minutes. The goal was scored by Daniil Zharkov with assists from Alan Quine and Joseph Cramarossa. Less than two minutes later, Carter Sandlak scored another goal for the Bulls.

With just about six minutes left in the first period, Stephen Silas, assisted by Tyler Graovac and Quine, tallied another.

Quine, assisted by Jordan Subban and Zharkov, ended the first period with another goal.

A minute and 30 seconds into the second period, Michael Curtis, as-

sisted by Garrett Hooey, sent the puck into Morrison's net.

At 7:38, the Bulls sixth goal was scored by Subban and assisted by Quine and Cramarossa.

Nine minutes into the second period, the Frontenacs finally scored on Bulls goalie Malcolm Subban. Jean Dupuy scored with assists from Slater Doggett and Ryan Hanes.

With the Bulls pulling too far away for the Frontenacs to catch up, Sam Bennett assisted by Luke Hietkamp, managed to score the second and only goal for the Frontenacs.

The 8-2 Bulls win was the same outcome when the Bulls played the Frontenacs in an earlier match up in January.

Kingston's Morrison said the team needs to come back stronger in their next match up with Belleville.

"Not give them as many chances. They had a lot of chances that they shouldn't have so we need to cut down on those," said Morrison.

Silas said the Bulls can also improve.

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The Bulls play the Frontenacs next on Friday, Feb. 8, in Kingston.



Belleville Bulls left winger Daniil Zharkov scores on Kingston Frontenacs goaltender Colin Furlong for his hat-trick as the Belleville Bulls took on the Kingston Frontenacs in OHL play Wednesday. The Bulls won 8-2.

Achoo!! Production shortage makes some cold remedies hard to buy

Shortage comes at inconvenient time during cold and flu season

By Gail Paquette and Richard Barclay

It's been a busy cold and flu season but people have to suffer through it without some of their favourite remedies.

Novartis Consumer Health came out with a media release last March stating, "We are experiencing product shortages of Benefibre, Buckley's, Excedrin, Maalox, NeoCitran, Otrivin, Triaminic and Slow Fe in Canada as a result of a

site upgrade at one of our manufacturing facilities".

There has been no word to date from Novartis on when these products will be back on the shelves.

"We have a lot of people that come in looking for NeoCitran and really there is nothing like it," said Asma Javed, pharmacist at Walmart Pharmacy in Belleville

"We therefore recommend other on-the-shelf products and over-the-counter medications, like antihistamines and acetaminophen to combat cold symptoms.

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tion on NeoCitran, but Otrivin should be back on the shelves in six months."

The shortage comes at an extremely inconvenient time as Canadians are in the midst of cold and flu season.

Lois Farrell, a registered practical nurse at the Tri Area Medical Centre in Madoc, said this year has been extra busy.

"We always see a lot of people during the cold/flu season but this year has been busier than usual because of a particularly bad respiratory virus going around."

Dr. Adam Stewart of Tri Area Medical Centre, said the most common reason people come in to see doctors at this time of year is for coughs, colds, sore throats, runny noses and ear in-

fections.

Antibiotics cannot cure a virus, he said, and nothing can. Unfortunately, time is the only healer.

During that time, he recommends lots of fluids, acetaminophen for pain, plenty of rest and medications sold on drug-store shelves like throat sprays, vapour rubs and neti-pots.

As Canadians do their best to handle the cold and flu season without the aid of some of their favourite health care products, Novartis continues to upgrade its facility.

The shortage of their pharmaceutical products in Canada is pushing people to alleviate their symptoms elsewhere.

Napanee men get jail time for dog drowning

Case has sparked outrage in community with protesters at courthouse

By Julia McKay

In a full, but quiet courtroom, Travis Haaksman and Carl Wood, both 19, learned their fate at the sentencing hearing on Jan. 29 in Napanee. Both men, who were found guilty of animal cruelty at the trial back in November 2012, received jail time.

Haaksman was sentenced to three months in jail, followed by two years probation, and 10 years prohibited of owning or living with any animal, along with not owning any firearms.

Wood received two months of jail time with the same probation and prohibited sentences but with the stipulation that he could live with his grandparents, who own a dog, upon release.

Provincial Justice Geoff Griffin said that he had to take into consideration the facts of this case, the existing case law and the characteristics of the defendants when deciding on the sentence.

Both men sat quietly while the lawyers and judge spoke, not acknowledging others in the room unless they were spoken directly to by the judge.

The case has sparked outrage in the community. Protests were held outside the local courthouse, and a 8,000 signature petition and angry and concerned letters were sent to the Crown Attorney's office, demanding the men be "punished to the full extent of the law".

"I don't think there is any place in court for petitions. That's what the judge is for," said defence attorney John Wonnacott, who was representing Wood.



Travis Haaksman (left) and Carl Wood are led to a police vehicle after the pair were found guilty of animal cruelty after drowning a dog last April. Haaksman was sentenced to three months in prison and Wood received a two-month prison sentence. Both men will also serve two years probation and will not be allowed to live with or own animals for 10 years.

The court heard that on April 28 last year Haaksman, Wood and a third person took Haaksman's pet dog Jake for a walk to a local Napanee quarry. They tied a cinderblock, which they had brought with them, to the end of the dog's leash and threw the dog into the 12-15 feet of water.

According to the autopsy the dog was alive when thrown into the water.

Both men had pleaded not guilty.

Wood was described as "a follower. Simpleminded, lacking direction and

goals," by Crown Attorney Richard Floyd, quoting from the court psychiatric report.

The report also stated that Wood showed remorse where Haaksman showed little to no remorse and has denied responsibility.

Just before sentencing, Justice Griffin asked both men if they had anything to say.

"All this happening is a real big misunderstanding and will never happen again," said Wood quietly. "I like ani-

mals.... more than I like most stuff."

Haaksman declined to speak to the court.

The court heard that Canadian case law around animal cruelty changed in 2008 to reflect changing public opinion that existing sentences were not sufficient.

Justice Griffin stated that he researched cases post-2008 that are similar to determine what types of punishments were applied. Those cases included animal torture and the de-

fendants received six months jail time.

Justice Griffin took 20 minutes to deliberate before coming back with his ruling. Once the sentence was delivered, both men were taken into custody.

Haaksman stood, hugged his crying girlfriend and then followed the officer, without acknowledging anyone else in the courtroom.

Wood appeared upset when he hugged his grandfather and other supporters.