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**New Mexico Ice Wolves 3 vs Corpus Christi IceRays 1:**

The Corpus Christi IceRays struck first early in the opening period when Lucas Hihn found Jack Mackenzie behind the net. Mackenzie sent the puck to Nick Sinani, who finished into an open net to give the IceRays a 1–0 lead after one period.

The second period featured back-and-forth play until the final minutes, when the New Mexico Ice Wolves tied the game. Sean Smith scored with assists from Andy Earl and Noah Teng, evening the score at 1–1 heading into the final 20 minutes.

Both teams battled for the advantage until a late surge by New Mexico in the final five minutes. Jeremy Sprung scored with assists from Nayan Pai and Jacob Guille to give the Ice Wolves the lead. Andy Earl added an empty-net goal with nine seconds remaining, assisted by Sean Gibbons, sealing a 3–1 victory.

Corpus Christi goaltender Xander Miceli made 30 saves in the loss. New Mexico netminder Jackson Silverberg earned the win with a 25-save performance.

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**West Bend Power 8 at Peoria Mustangs 0:**

West Bend seized control early, scoring three times in the opening period. Evan Burchardt opened the scoring off assists from Andrew Sparacino and Mason Wanka. Jace Fitzgerald followed with an unassisted, short-handed goal, and Sparacino added a power-play tally set up by Quinn O'Connor to give the Power a 3-0 lead after one.

The Power continued to extend their advantage in the second period. Fitzgerald scored with assists from Sparacino and Blake Kohnen, followed by a power-play goal from Danny Jurcich off feeds from Fitzgerald and Sparacino. Wanka capped the period with his first of the night, scoring off assists from Fitzgerald and Otis Berge.

West Bend closed out the victory with two goals in the third period. Wanka scored his second goal of the game with help from Fitzgerald and O'Connor. Fitzgerald finished the scoring, converting a setup from Wanka and Kohnen. Ending the game in an 8-0 victory for the power

Mustangs goaltender Jakub Stary made 48 saves in the loss. West Bend netminder Ben Glaesman earned the win with a 15-save performance.

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## **Kenai River Brown Bears 5 at Springfield Jr. Blues 4:**

The Kenai River Brown Bears came out flying in the first period, striking twice in the opening five minutes to seize early control. Massimiliano Monson opened the scoring with an unassisted goal before Koen Burkholder added another, finishing a setup from Joel Hanson to make it 2–0. Kenai River continued to press, and Carter McCormick extended the lead to 3–0 midway through the frame off a feed from Parker Newman.

Springfield broke through late in the period on a power play when Zach Howard buried a shot with assists from Brady Turner and Drew Berres, trimming the deficit to 3–1 heading into the first intermission.

The Jr. Blues carried that momentum into the second period, where Brayden Sprickman took over. Sprickman scored twice in the frame—his first coming early off an assist from James Marshall, and his second in the final minute off a setup from Howard—to tie the game at 3–3 after 40 minutes.

Kenai River regained its footing in the third when David Greene broke the deadlock with a goal early in the period. The Brown Bears added insurance late, with Dario Lass scoring an empty-netter to stretch the lead to 5–3.

Springfield made one final push, and Sprickman completed his hat trick with an unassisted goal in the last 15 seconds, but the Jr. Blues couldn't find the equalizer as Kenai River held on for a 5–4 victory.

Amir Valiullin made 23 saves for Springfield, while Alex Reedy stopped 36 shots to backstop the Brown Bears to the win.