

Knights edge Sockeyes

PENTICTON, B.C. (CP) — Penticton Knights won the B.C. Junior Hockey League championship for the second year in a row and the fifth time in seven seasons with a 3-2 decision over Richmond Sockeyes Wednesday night.

"We had to win tonight — there's just no way we could go back into Richmond," said Penticton coach Rick Kozuback after his club took the best-of-seven final in five games.

"Then you would be in a position where it would probably have been a seven-game series."

Aaron Scott, David Shields and Chris Anderson did the Knights' scoring. Anderson's short-handed goal at 18:38 of the second period was the winner.

The Knights, who had the best regular-season record in the BCJHL with 44 wins and eight losses, then eliminated Kelowna Packers in a five-game semifinal, advance to play Prince George Spruce Kings, champions of the Peace-Cariboo Junior Hockey League.