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Big Reds prevail in overtime

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FRASER -- Tyler Jackson scored 50 seconds into the second overtime Saturday to give Port Huron High a 5-4 win against Utica Ford in the Tier II consolation game of the Utica Stevenson Holiday Tournament.

ADVERTISEMENT Jackson finished off a 3-on-1 and was assisted by Chad Delano and Andrew Jowett to give the Big Reds their first win of the tournament.

"I had just told the kids not to sit back," Port Huron Coach Ben Pionk said. "Andrew Jowett made a real nice play right at the blue line and they went in basically with a 3-on-1."

Delano had two goals to go with his assist, while Richie Mierendorff and Jason Pringle also added goals. Tyler Moulton had two assists for the Big Reds (3-8-1).

Jonathan Kemp stopped 25 shots for the Big Reds, who had 36 shots on goal.

Port Huron led the game 3-1 heading into the third period.

"We started out this tournament and we didn't play well against Warren Sterling," Pionk said. "(Friday) the



Chad Delano

Andrew Jowett

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effort was better, we just ended up losing.

"The effort was tremendous today. Hopefully getting a taste of victory will help. They found out over the weekend how hard they need to work to win games."

Ford is a Macomb Area Conference Blue Division opponent, although the game did not count toward the league standings. Pionk said that didn't take away from the importance of the game, however.

"It was a team we had to beat," he said. "They knew this was a must-win game."

The Big Reds return to action Jan. 16 against Marysville in the MAC Showcase at Suburban Ice Arena in Macomb.

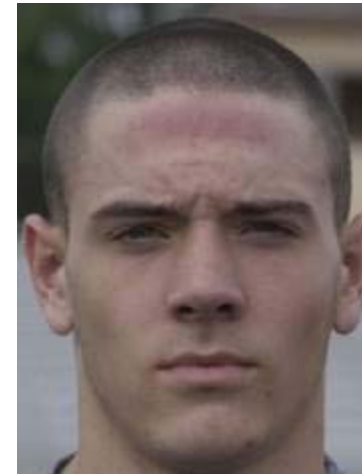
Pionk did say, however, that he will try and makeup two league games the team missed before break before then, as they are games that have to be played.



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