

BERNARDS WINS BIG AGAINST SOUTH BRUNSWICK

Bernards continued where they left off last season, rolling past South Brunswick 10-3 on October 13th at BSA.

Jr. Mountaineer Connor Grade opened the scoring just 31 seconds into the period, as he grabbed the puck off the face off and sent it into the net past SB goalie Dylan Troiano. Greg Figueroa added an unassisted goal four minutes later, and Grade would end the period with a natural hat trick, scoring two goals in a three minute span. Steve Pallazolo notched an assist on Grade's third goal on the power play. Pallazolo would add a goal of his own with two minutes to go in the period, but South Brunswick, while down, did not give up. With 11 seconds to go, Katul Patel and Will Connell set up Joseph Marchesani to put SB on the scoreboard, beating netminder Jake Kleitsch.

Bernards defense stepped up in the second, effectively shutting down SB offensive attacks, adding three goals in the period. Philip Pace scored on the power play before Grade would work more of his magic and score two more goals, both shorthanded, to finish with 5 goals in the game. SB's Frank Stuto scored shorthanded, as he picked off Bernards forwards on the power play and shot the puck past Montaineer goaltender Tyler Levonin, who shared duties between the pipes. It would prove to be the only goal that Bernards would allow in the period.

The Jr .Mountaineers would enter the final period with a comfortable 8-2 lead, and Figueroa added a goal, his second of the game, less than a minute in. It took another power play for Bernards before South Brunswick would score again. Another pick off by Frank Stuto gave SB their final goal of the game. Erik Yarosh added a power play goal to round out the scoring for Bernards.