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### **Cyclones Come Up Short in Exciting 5-4 Shootout Loss to Indiana** *Iowa State rallies to tie game with 49.5 seconds remaining in third period*

**Jan. 7, 2012 – Bloomington, IN** – Down a goal to the Indiana Hoosiers with just a minute left in the third period, the Cyclones tied the game up with a dramatic goal in the waning seconds of regulation and outshot the Hoosiers 6 to 3 in a scoreless overtime period, but the team came up short in the shootout and lost 5-4 in one of the most exciting games of the Cyclones' season.

After working to tie the game up the entire third period, the Cyclones succeeded with 49.5 seconds remaining when **Brian Rooney (Palatine, Ill. – Chicago Force/CSHL)** put home a rebound generated by a **Brody Toigo (Delta, British Columbia – Surrey Eagles/BCHL)** blast from the point only 12 seconds after netminder **Paul Karus (Brookfield, Wisc. – Mass Maple Leafs/CHA)** had been called to the bench for the extra attacker. The game remained tied 4-4 the rest of regulation, as well as in the extra frame, so the Cyclones' hopes to come away with the road sweep of the Hoosiers after a 3-2 victory Friday night moved to the shootout.

Rooney got Iowa State off on the right track by scoring high glove side on Indiana netminder Michael Reed. The Hoosiers selected leading scorer Joey Tullis as their first shooter, and Tullis evened the shootout at one by banking a shot along the ice off the post and in. **Matt Bennett (Anchorage, Alaska – Kenai River Brown Bears/NAHL)** shot next for the Cyclones and scored cleanly glove side over the extended pad of Reed, but Indiana's Erik Skjodt evened the shootout score by roofing a shot over Karus as the Cyclone goaltender attempted to make a poke check. Iowa State selected **James Buttermore (Stillwater, Minn. – Winkler Flyers/MJHL)** as its third shooter and Buttermore drew Reed down after making a deke, but the Hoosier netminder made a quick pad save to thwart the Cyclone trifecta. The game then rested on the stick of Indiana's Alex Handy, and Handy lived up to his name and proved valuable to the Hoosiers by scoring blocker side to giving Indiana the 5-4 victory.

Following the narrow defeat, Cyclone Hockey General Manager and Head Coach Dr. Alan Murdoch gave Indiana full credit.

"In the shootout, we scored two out of three attempts and, often, you score twice in three attempts, that's enough, but their top three snipers were good and I'll give them all the credit in the world," said Murdoch. "They've got, to their credit, knocking off Ohio University, a top-ranked team, and now the shootout win against us.

"I thought we played pretty well in every category, we won the second and third period and outshot them 6-3 in the overtime period, but we, once again, ran into a pretty tough goaltender with a decent team in front of him."

The Hoosiers established their initial lead of the game at the 5:20 mark of the first period when Mike Grainda made a pass off the end boards out to Peter Aldendifer driving the net and Aldendifer's bloop shot scored top shelf past Karus. Indiana extended that lead to two goals with 3:11 left in the first period when Nick Dobrez put a loose puck in the low slot in the back of the net on a chance generated by Grainda and Aldendifer taking whacks at the puck in the Cyclone crease.

Down 2-0 after the first period, the Cyclones scored early in the second period when **J.P. Kacsak (Springfield, Va. – North Bay Trappers/NOJHL)** took advantage of a Hoosier turnover in their own zone, skated the puck toward the Indiana net, and fired it high past Reed 2:24 into the period. Indiana responded, though, to retake their two-goal

lead at the 8:43 mark when defenseman Dakota Hooker fired a slapper from the point through traffic past a screened Karus low, making the score 3-1.

Only ten seconds after Hooker's goal, the Cyclones drew back to within one goal when Toigo fired an überhard slapshot from the point and beat Reed low at the 8:53 mark. Iowa State drew even with Indiana for the first time in the contest at 16:36 when **Brandon Clark (Spokane, Wash. – Trail Smoke Eaters/BCHL)** fired a crisp, deceptive shot from the point that beat Reed top shelf to make the score 3-3. Indiana re-established their lead less than two minutes later, however, when, once again, Aldendirfer took a pass in the slot from Grainda and scored low, which proved vital in the Hoosiers eventual win.

Iowa State returns home after Saturday's game against Indiana for a series against the ACHA Men's Division 1 22<sup>nd</sup>-ranked Kent State Golden Flashes Friday, January 13, and Saturday, January 14. Both games against Kent State are scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. Friday night's game is Iowa National Guard Night, with a limited number of special Iowa National Guard hockey cards of the Cyclone Hockey team captains available for an autograph session after the game. The Cyclones will then hold Marcus Andary Night on Saturday to remember the late Cyclone hockey player, who was killed at the scene of a car accident in St. Paul, Minnesota, late in the evening on December 18. Group-rate discounts and benefits apply for groups of as few as 15 people. Call the Cyclone Hockey office at 294.6164 for more information.

NOTES: At the 6:58 mark of the third period, it appeared as if **Joe Bueltel (Louisville, Colo. – Dubuque Fighting Saints/USHL)** might tie the game up at four apiece when he was awarded a penalty shot after being dragged down on a shorthanded breakaway, but Bueltel hit the post on the ensuing shot. Brian Rooney's two-point game gives him 13 points in his last 13 games, on the strength of 6 goals and 7 assists. Brody Toigo also had a multi-point night and has 5 points in his first four games back, giving him a team-best 1.25 points per game average. By tallying a goal in the second period, J.P. Kasczak broke the tie with Jon Feavel to lead the team in goal scoring with 15. The first goal of the game was actually scored at 5:31 of the first period, but the timekeeper accidentally started running the clock again after the goal and the referee had the clock re-set to 14:40 remaining.

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#### GAME SUMMARY

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	SO	FINAL
IOWA STATE	0	3	1	0	0	4
INDIANA	2	2	0	0	1	5

First Period – Scoring: UI, Aldendifer (Grainda, Memolo), 5:20; UI, Dobrez (Grainda). Penalties: ISU, Rooney (interference), 5:57; UI, Grainda (roughing double minor), 5:57; ISU, Bueltel (roughing double minor), 5:57; ISU, Bueltel (ten-minute misconduct), 5:57.

Second Period – Scoring: ISU, Kasczak (unassisted), 2:24; UI, Hooker (Memolo), 8:43; ISU, ISU, Toigo (Cucullu, Feavel), 8:53; ISU, Clark (Rooney), 16:36. Penalties: ISU, Reid (cross-checking), 6:40; UI, Roman (slashing), 9:41; UI, Aldendifer (roughing), 18:27; UI, Toigo (roughing), 18:27.

Third Period – Scoring: ISU, Rooney (Toigo, Wilkinson), 19:10. Penalties: ISU, Kurbatsky (tripping), 3:10; ISU, Wilkinson (high-sticking), 5:30; ISU, Bueltel (ten-minute misconduct), 6:58.

Overtime – Scoring: None. Penalties: None.

#### Shootout Summary

ISU	Rooney	Goal
UI	Tulis	Goal
ISU	Bennett	Goal
UI	Skjodt	Goal
ISU	Buttermore	Save
UI	Handy	Goal

<b>SHOTS BY PERIOD</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
IOWA STATE	13	20	13	6	52
INDIANA	9	14	12	3	38

<b>GOALTENDERS (SV/SH)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
ISU, Karus (64:48)	7/9	12/14	12/12	3/3	34/38
UI, Reed (65:00)	13/13	17/20	12/13	6/6	48/52

**POWER PLAY:** ISU 0-1; UI 0-4

**PENALTIES:** ISU 8-34; UI 3-8