

Napanee Raiders win Junior C Schmalz Cup

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In an outstanding finish for the season, the Napanee Raiders have won the provincial Junior C Schmalz Cup.

The Raiders claimed the title after the final series with the Grimsby Peach Kings.

The series went five games with the final game ending with a 4-1 Napanee win on home ice on Tuesday, April 30.

Finishing in first place in the East Tod Division of the PJHL, the Raiders went 38-5-1 for the regular season including one overtime loss.

From there they blasted through the playoff winning every single game in the East Conference then sending the Alliston Hornets packing with a four game sweep in the Schmalz Cup semi-final.

Meeting up with the Peach Kings in the final, the Raiders took an early lead with a 2-0 win in the first game.

Grimsby delivered Napanee's first loss in the playoffs with a 3-2 win in game two.

The Raiders won game three 3-2 to lead the series.

After a 4-1 win in game four on April 28, the Napanee squad was one game away from winning the provincial title.

They capped the season on Wednesday night and hoisted the cup.