

## Adanacs earn split in weekend matches

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It may still be early in the season but Coquitlam Adanacs general manager Les Wingrove already likes what he sees in rookie Dane Dobbie.

The 22-year-old runner spent the weekend racking up seven points in games against Burnaby and New Westminster and now finds himself fifth in the Western Lacrosse Association in scoring.

“He is the real McCoy,” Wingrove said. “He was our number one draft pick and we are more than ecstatic to have him.”

Dobbie opened the scoring Saturday night against New Westminster and notched his second marker of the game late in the third.

But it was a 12-9 win over the Burnaby Lakers on Friday where the Adanacs runner was his most prolific, netting three goals — one on the powerplay — and two helpers.

Dobbie’s offensive production is crucial to the team’s success in the early part of the season. The Adanacs are playing with an abridged lineup, missing Curt Malawsky, Ray Guze and Rich Catton.

Gary Bining was injured during Friday’s fracas and did not play the next night against New Westminster.

“We haven’t got a lot of players at this point,” Wingrove said.

“Some guys are still in school. We have some guys in Ontario that aren’t here yet.”

On Friday, Coquitlam’s Jason Wulder opened the scoring unassisted in the first before Burnaby’s Ian Paterson pocketed a goal off a feed from Rory McDade to make it 1-1.

But Coquitlam would quickly respond, lighting up the scoreboard for three unanswered goals before going into the second period.

Burnaby found its scoring legs with goals from John Panichelli, Calvin Craig, Kerry Susheski and Cory Siegner in the second, but the Adanacs were able to respond and still hold on to the lead going into the final frame.

The Lakers fought hard to get back in the game but could not climb out of the hole the team dug in the first two frames allowing the A’s to notch its second win of the season.



*The Coquitlam Adanacs’ Dane Dobbie lit up the scoreboard on the weekend and now finds himself in fifth place in the Western Lacrosse Association’s list of scoring leaders. Dobbie was picked by Coquitlam in the first round of the WLA draft during the off-season.*

But Coquitlam could not carry the momentum into Saturday’s game against the New Westminster Salmonbellies.

On the second night of the weekend doubleheader the Adanacs could not find the back of the net, despite matching its opponents in shots.

“Playing with a shorter lineup finally caught up with us,” Wingrove said. “We didn’t have a whole lot of bodies.”

The Adanacs only dressed 16 players for Saturday’s bout, which the Salmonbellies won 12-7. Dobbie scored twice, while Wulder managed a hat trick. Andrew Biers and Steve McKinlay scored singles.

On the other side of the floor, the Salmonbellies’ Jamie Floris scored a hat trick while Jordan McBride, Chris Gill and Kevin Lunnie each picked up a pair. Nenad Gajic tallied a single.

The Adanacs take on Langley at home on Saturday before playing Maple Ridge on the road on Sunday.

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