

March 13 – Centennial (Nev.) 7, Bingham 6

Story of the game: Brett McCarty and Mike Jones scored twice and Aaron Hansen had a nice game in goalie, but the Miners dropped a tough match to a powerful Nevada school in Las Vegas.

Bingham's highlights: The Miners fell behind early, but rallied to make this an exciting match near the end. Peter Tschaggeny and Chase Newton added goals for Bingham, but it had just 18 shots on goal. Tschaggeny and Nick Smith added assists.

Statistical notes: Hansen had 10 saves for a percentage of .588. Bingham won just four of 16 face offs. This was the first of two matches the same day for Bingham.

What we learned from this match: Centennial was one of the top three teams in Nevada this year. The Bulldogs had a 12-4 record going into the state semifinals. This game was treated like an exhibition, but at a highly competitive level.

Coach Heaton's comments: *"We had a chance to win at the end. We tried to set up a play, but we didn't get the play going. They pressured us, and we weren't really used to that. Our defense showed how tenacious it could be. Our defense put pressure on them, and they couldn't handle it either. If there had been a couple more minutes, we might have won."*



Kyle Duke keeps a close eye on a nearby Centennial player.



Tyler White gets the match started in this opening faceoff against Bonanza.

March 13 – Bingham 9, Bonanza (Nev.) 7

Story of the game: Mike Jones had three goals, and Chris Severson and Cole Christensen had two each to lead Bingham past Bonanza in a match played in Las Vegas.

Bingham's highlights: The Miners led for most of the match and while the outcome was close, Bingham didn't feel pressured. Nick Jensen and Ryker Hall scored, too, and the Miners substituted freely. Christensen, Peter Tschaggeny, Landon Davis, Ryker Hall and Jordan Shumway had assists.

Statistical notes: Will Glade spent most of the match in goal, and recorded six saves. Jones' three-goal effort tied what would be his season best. Bingham had 21 shots and won 11 of 18 face offs.

What we learned from this match: Playing back-to-back games can be difficult, but coach Heaton filled the match with a lot of different players. This was a good team effort.

Coach Heaton's comments: *"We were tired in this game, but they weren't nearly the team that Centennial was. We had about an hour between games. We came out and did all right."*