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Jax Cudas	8
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Game Two – Cudas Rout Titans in a First Period Knockout

The Cudas hit the ice again at TBSA against the Tampa Bay Titans. This was a 1 versus 8 tilt (and I do mean tilt) that saw the Cudas relax a bit and have a different kind of fun. Many of the Cuda players changed positions to give the “D” an opportunity to play some offense and vice versa as well as provide some of the lesser experienced kids substantially more ice time...and they did not disappoint. The plan was a hit as two of the Cudas that are leaving the team due to transfer were given the opportunity to choose where they wanted to play. Boldly, Nolan Sandie, normally on defense, chose first line center while Evan Asbury chose a more conservative approach and elected to stay put at left “D”. Some of the highlights include: a slapper goal by Donovan Tehan; a hat trick (as usual) by Quinn Larson (We luv u kiddo ☺); a wrap-around goal by Noah Kostick; 2 tallies by Timmy Lynch (both awesome wristers); helpers from Timmy Lynch, Dillon Gatto, Donovan Tehan, Hunter Buben (our smooth skating, breakout starting Rock of Gibraltar on “D”) and Quinn Larson; and of course last, but not least, a goal from in front by Nolan Sandie. One last thing I’d like to point out which speaks volumes about this team and our organization in general. I happen to know one of the parents from the Titans team from when Donovan and her daughter Brooklyn (the one with the pink gloves) played Mites together on the Raiders. She was extremely impressed and complimentary about the way our players conducted themselves on the ice by making extra passes and setting up our less experienced players and not trying to run up the score. I’m sure there are more examples, but I have to acknowledge one play in particular where Dillon Gatto gave up a golden opportunity to score and instead chose to circle around and set up a line mate for a shot instead. Congrats Dillon and the whole team for displaying great character and representing Jacksonville hockey well. Thanks!

Goals : 23 Tehan, 7 Larson (3), 21 Kostick, 17 Lynch (2), 19 Sandie
Assists: 17 Lynch, 12 Gatto, 23 Tehan, 13 Buben, 7 Larson