

Macon Whoopee Jay Jarvis 1996-97 team issued jersey, size XXL.

This jersey was part of the original team jersey order placed by the team in the fall of 1996 for the inaugural season of the Macon Whoopee and was obtained directly from the team. Yours truly was mentioned in the attached newspaper article as a possible emergency back up goaltender early in the season, but since this did not actually happen, I will not call this game issued. The jersey is the navy mesh jersey with green and white trim and features the drop-shadow style of numbers, fight strap and an authentic sewn nameplate. The new fig leaf logo on the front incorporated the original m over w logo from 1973 screened onto white twill and sewn on. There is a pair of white twill fig leaves sewn onto the shoulders. It has an Opti Sportswear neck tag and a Jersey Express embroidered logo patch on the lower back hem.



Whoopee goalie may be suspended for tonight's game

By James Tidwell
The Macon Telegraph

All the news emitting from the banks of Nashville's Cumberland River is not music to the Whoopee ears.

The Central Hockey League office will announce punishments today after reviewing the game tapes from Macon's 8-7 road victory on Saturday over Nashville at the Memorial Auditorium.

Whoopee goalie Shamus Gregga was ejected with 16:45 left in the second period after being involved in three fights with Nighthawks Greg Bailey, Justin Lund and Ron Aubrey and receiving four game misconducts and 52 minutes of penalties.

All three Nashville players were also ejected after each received

game misconducts. The ejected players are expected to be suspended at least one game by the league.

"Basically, we have players who don't want to fight and want to be known as an intelligent team that doesn't condone violence. We do have a responsibility to show respect to the fans," Macon coach John Paris Jr. said. "And although, we were not the instigators, we will not be intimidated. It was unfortunate, but sometimes you have to take care of your own."

The fights started when Whoopee Christian Gosselin, called for a 10-minute misconduct penalty, was being roughed over by the three players in the right corner before Gregga intervened.

"I don't think the league will give him (Gregga) a long suspension,"

Paris said. "They know the situation and that we were only defending ourselves."

With Pierre Gagnon the only other goalie on the Whoopee roster, Macon assistant coach Dave Starman and Jay Jarvis, head of ice officials for the Whoopee, could be signed for emergency goaltending duties.

"He (Jarvis) doesn't know it yet but he may be in there," said Paris.

Paris also is looking at a couple of goalies from New York and Florida in case the suspension is longer than one game.

Despite the pending suspension, Macon did have good news to sing about as the Whoopee officially put their four-game losing streak in the rear view mirror with the win.

With the victory, the Whoopee

extended their winning streak to two straight games and moved back into sole possession of second place with 22 points in the Central Hockey League's Eastern Division. Memphis is in first place with 24 points.

Defenseman Claude Fillion also returned to the lineup from a bruised ankle after missing Friday's victory over Columbus and contributed with an assist.

And when the three-game series with the Nighthawks resumes in Nashville tonight, Macon will be prepared for anything.

"Unfortunately, some teams use violence to cover up other deficiencies," Paris said. "Hopefully, they'll want to play hockey tonight. But if not we'll play whatever game they want to play."