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Police's Nabil Fiqri (right) attempts to dribble past Johor's Mohammad Zhairul Ameen Md Zahid in their match yesterday. Police won 3-2.

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KUALA LUMPUR — A three-minute second half blitz from the boys in blue showed why Police are the team to beat in the TNB Razak Cup at National Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Two quick-fire penalty corner goals from captain Baljit Singh in the 39th minute and a second almost immediately from Mohamad Razie Abd Rahim levelled the score after Johor had led 2-0 at the break thanks to goals from Mohammad Nor Hafiq Abdul Gaffar in the 23rd minute and Muhammad Azammi Adabi 10 minutes later.

Razie then bagged his second in the 41st minute as the favourites held on for victory despite the early scare.

In another Division One match, Malacca carved out a hard fought 3-1

win over Pahang.

Selangor thumped Kedah 8-0 in Division 2 as Faridzul Afiq Mohd emerged one of their heroes with a hat-trick.

Selangor are aiming for promotion to Division 1 after losing 6-2 to Police in the final last year.

"The sharpness wasn't there despite the win," said Selangor coach S.Velappan, who also saw his side score through Nazirul Mubin Zebidi, Muhammad Amerulla, Muhammad Noor Faez and Ikmal Abdul Jabar.

"It's our first game and it was difficult to get things going, but we took our chances well. There is still room for improvement."

Selangor's rival for promotion, Penang, defeated Perlis 7-3.