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HOCKEY

Pahang in the reckoning

REBOUND: Friday's shock defeat forgotten as they beat PJCC to reignite top three hopes

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PAHANG Sports School (SSP-MSP Thunderbolts) bounced back in style when they hammered Petaling Jaya City Council 4-1 in a Junior Hockey League division one tie yesterday.

The win came at the back of a 3-2 defeat to UniKL Young Guns on Friday, with the heart-break goal being scored in the final minute of the match.

If SSP-MSP Thunderbolts maintain their run, they have a good chance of finishing, at least, second in the league.

In another Division One match, Olak Tigers beat SSTMI Juniors 2-0 with goals from Adhwa Jalil (29th) and S. Kavinash (30th).

SSP-MSP Thunderbolts took a 2-0 lead off Idris Samad in the fourth and 17th minutes, before PJCC pulled one back off Faiq Razin in the 30th.

After the break, SSP-MSP Thunderbolts killed off the fight with a brace from Kamil Yusop (40th, 53rd).

"My players were really motivated to win after losing our grip against UniKL in the last minute Friday. With this win, we have a good chance of finishing among the top-three," said SSP-MSP Thunderbolts coach Sufian Mohamed.

There will be a two-week break before the

Pahang team take on SMKDBL Young Guns.

"The impending break also played a psychological role in our win today (yesterday) because my players went all out knowing that they have a long period to recover after this match. We will take a few days off hockey, before preparations start for the next four games," said Sufian.

RESULTS — Division One: Olak Tigers 2 SSTMI Jnrs 0, PJCC 1 SSP-MSP Thunderbolts 4.

Division Two — Group A: Kedah Jnrs 1 Penang MSSPP-USM 6, Azlan Shah Science 0 Perlis Young Lions Jnrs 7; **Group B:** Felda Jnrs 0 BJSS Jnrs 1, MISCF-UFL 1 Anderson PHA 3; **Group C:** Science Johor 1 Datuk Taha 5.

TODAY — Division One: BJSS Thunderbolts v SMKDBL Young Guns (National Stadium I), UniKL Young Guns v SSTMI Jnrs (National Stadium II).

Division Two — Group A: Perlis Young Lions Jnrs v MCKK (Kuala Perlis), Azlan Shah Science v Kedah Jnrs (Kuala Kangsar), Matri v MSS Kedah (Kangar); **Group B:** MSSWPKL v Anderson PHA (Ministry Education), MISCF-UFL v Anderson Thunderbolts (KLHA); **Group C:** MSNT-PHT v TBSS Tampin (Padang Midin), Pahang Hockey Academy v Malacca High (Temerloh) — *Matches at 5pm.*