



Senior B Nanaimo Timbermen defender Graham Palmer, left, checks St. Albert Miners opponent Mike Triolo during Sunday's championship game at the Presidents Cup tournament at Frank Crane Arena. GREG SAKAKI/The News Bulletin

# Timbermen fall just short in overtime final at Presidents Cup

St. Albert Miners win 10-8 on Sunday for third straight national senior B lacrosse championship

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The host team wasn't able to hold off the defending champs inside a raucous arena.

The St. Albert Miners won the Presidents Cup national senior B lacrosse championship on Sunday night at Frank Crane Arena, getting past the Nanaimo Timbermen in overtime, 10-8.

The Re/Max T-men led 7-4 midway through the game, but the Miners chipped away and tied things back up. The teams swapped goals in the latter stages of the third period, but only the visitors scored once the game got to OT.

Jordan Cornfield, Miners team captain, said his team just kept working as long as it took.

“That was a tough team that we played; they did amazing, and we were able to keep battling and we had a couple bounces go our way,” he said. “That game could have gone either way.”

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The arena was filled up for the final, with many fans clad in Timbermen red.

“We’ve never played in front of a crowd like this,” Cornfield said. “Packed house with the drums beating. That’s something else.”

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He said even taking into account that St. Albert hosted in 2016, this year's tournament was the best he's ever been to.

"The host committee was amazing, the atmosphere, the communication," he said. "From the top down to the bottom, they did an amazing job. They should be really proud of themselves, and the city, for coming out to support such a great event."

As far as statistics from the final, Jeff Shattler led the T-men offence with a hat trick and Jordan Cunningham had two goals and two assists. Corey Shires had a goal and two assists and Cory Conway and Shane Chalker were the other scorers. Nick Patterson was his team's player of the game, making 54 saves in the loss.

For the Miners, Mike Triolo led the way with four goals, Keegan Bal had three goals and two assists and Graedon Cornfield had two goals and three helpers. Aaron Bold was the winning goalie.

In the bronze-medal game earlier Sunday, the Caughnawaga Indians defeated the Oakville Titans 15-6.

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