

# Ice Hockey- Capitals need to give Fullerton more protection

✘ Edinburgh Capitals must give No 1 netminder Travis Fullerton more protection. That's the view of Jacob Johnston ahead of the club's visit to Braehead Clan on Saturday (7pm)."

It's a return to Travis Fullerton's former club – he played 13 games for Braehead last season – and defenceman Johnston believes the Canadian stopper gives bottom-markers Capitals a chance to win because of his consistently high performances.

Big-hearted Johnston, now into his second year with the club, spoke after Capitals slipped to back-to-back weekend defeats at runaway Elite League pace-setters Cardiff Devils (6-2) and at home to Belfast Giants (6-3).

Johnston, who has also played in the East Coast Hockey League for Evansville Icemen, Greenville Road Warriors and Utah Grizzlies, said: "We had some really good spurts in the game against Belfast, but we didn't play a full 60 minutes.

"We have to be more consistent and disciplined each and every shift."

Johnston believes Capitals have a lot of skill in the squad team and added: "We can create offense but we have to be more accountable in our defensive zone.

"Our goalie gives us a chance to win each and every night so it's up to us to respond and make some adjustments in order to compete with the top teams in the league on a consistent basis."