

Ice hockey – another critical double-header for Capitals



Edinburgh Capitals in goalmouth action earlier this season Photo John Preece

BRAVEHEARTS Edinburgh Capitals claimed three crucial points last weekend as they chase a coveted Elite League play-off spot.

The confidence-boosting 5-2 road win at The Storm Shelter in Manchester was followed by a nerve-wracking 3-2 overtime defeat to long-time league pace-setters Cardiff Devils at Murrayfield.

The fans loved it as their heroes pushed the men from the Principality to the wire and it all starts again on Saturday.

Capitals are playing catch-up but the mood in the camp is upbeat and the squad believe that the results last weekend prove that the Edinburgh side can compete at the highest level.

Defenceman Jacob Johnston said the players were happy with the three points earned over two tough days last weekend.

The prospect of travelling to the atmospheric Fife Ice Arena on Saturday (face-off 7.15pm) to face Flyers is a mouth-watering one for the players who are looking forward to the challenge.

It's an arena where Capitals have enjoyed some success this year but Fife come into the game on the back of a big home win over high-flying Sheffield Steelers.

Johnston said: "We have to continue to care of the defensive zone in order to have success throughout the remainder of the season."

And Capitals host Dundee Stars in the only Elite League fixture scheduled for Sunday (face-off 6pm).

The North American added: "This weekend will be a good test for us and it is a great opportunity to get some points."