

Ice hockey – Capitals struck by Lightning



Elite League: Fife Flyers 5, Braehead Clan 2; Dundee Stars 1, Coventry Blaze 2; Edinburgh Capitals 2, Milton Keynes Lightning 5

Edinburgh Capitals skidded to their fifth straight defeat as their nightmare start to the Elite League season continued.

The Murrayfield men lost 5-2 at home to league newcomers Milton Keynes Lightning and after being hit by three straight goals in 11 minutes between the second and third sessions.

They were level at 1-1 after goals from Lightning's Guillaume Doucet and Mike Cazzola of Capitals after 22 minutes.

But Denny Kearney, Kyle Essery and Kevin King netted for the visitors to make it 4-1 before Dillon Lawrence gave the home side with less than 12 minutes left.

Francis Verreault-Paul settled the issue with a strike 2min 3sec from time.

Elsewhere, Liam Heelis and Evan Bloodoff both claimed glory doubles as Fife Flyers continued their dominance over Scottish rivals Braehead Clan.

Flyers led 2-0 before the Glasgow side pulled one back but the Kirkcaldy club then hit the opposition with three unanswered strikes inside nine, second-period minutes to ensure the points stayed at Kirkcaldy.

James Isaccs opened the scoring after 12 minutes and just over

a minute later Heelis netted No 2.

Jacob Doty pulled one back after 12 seconds of the middle session but Bloodoff on the power play after 25 minutes, the same player six minutes later and Heelis three minutes after that made it 5-1.

Craig Cescon pulled another back with less than four minutes left but it was too little too late as Fife claimed their fourth point of a triple-header weekend.

There was disappointment for Dundee Stars after their 3-2 overtime win at Coventry Blaze on Saturday.

They lost 2-1 at home to the same team with Vojtech Kloz opening the scoring after 13 minutes.

Gabriel Levesque levelled assisted by player/coach Omar Pacha after 34 minutes but Adam Courchaine was set up by former Fife star Ryan Dingle for the game-winner after 44 minutes.