Ice hockey – Cazzola asks fans to be patient

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Flashback to the game against Fife Flyers at Murrayfield from Ian Coyle

Mike Cazzola has pleaded with Edinburgh Capitals successhungry fans to be patient.

The injury-hit squad failed to earn a point from last weekend's double-header at Braehead Clan and then at home to Sheffield Steelers.

And Capitals' man-of-the-match believes results will improve once they are back to full strength.

Edinburgh led 1-0 after two minutes but Steelers eventually ran out 7-1 winners despite new Canadian netminder Tyler Beskorowany playing well.

Capitals are rooted to the bottom of the 12-strong table with nine points from 36 matches and 11th placed Milton Keynes Lighting are 18 points ahead of them.

Cazzola admitted that some players are icing out of position to cover for missing men.

The depleted squad does, however, allow Capitals young lions to have valuable competitive ice time.

But the 26-year-old centre ice said Capitals need some of their more experienced players back.

If they get that then the 5ft 7in player believes they can give their long-suffering fans something to cheer.

The Canadian admitted that he knows supporters are frustrated

at the lack of success.

But he added: "We're frustrated too."