Flyers skid to defeat at pace-setting Sheffield

Fife Flyers skidded to a 7-4 defeat to Elite League pace-setters Sheffield Steelers and remain at the bottom of the ten-strong table.

The Kirkcaldy club held the Yorkshire side 2-2 after the first session in The House of Steel but lost the second 2-1 and the third 3-1.

Lucas Chiodo gave Fife a chance of salvaging something from the game with a goal with less than eight minutes left to bring the scoreline to 5-4.

But Steelers scored twice through Brandon Whistle and Mark Simpson to end a contest in which the Scots were outshot 47-20.

It was a poor night for Scottish clubs as Glasgow Clan lost 5-4 after overtime to Coventry Blaze at Braehead and Dundee Stars were edged 5-4 at second-top Cardiff Devils.

Sunday's action sees Stars hosting Sheffield (17.00), Fife at home to Cardiff (17.15) and Clan visit Blaze (17.30).

PICTURE: Vitalijs Pavlovs (blue) in for a puck in a recent game against Sheffield. Picture by **Jillian McFarlane**