

# **It's Sheffield v Fife in the play-offs**

**Fife Flyers travel to Sheffield Steelers, the newly-crowned Elite League champions Sheffield Steelers, on Friday (19.00) in their ice hockey play-off quarter-final. The Kirkcaldy club then host the Yorkshire combine on Sunday (17.15).**

The final night of the regular season saw Dundee Stars beat Fife 4-1 at Kirkcaldy but Flyers had already qualified after their 6-2 victory on Tayside on Saturday.

Stars won the opening session at The Fife Ice Arena 1-0 and the second 2-0 before Troy Lajeunesse scored from a penalty shot after 46 minutes but Brendan Harms completed the scoring with a goal less than two minutes from time for a 4-1 win.

Earlier, Ryan Valentini and an Anthony Rinaldi double put the visitors 3-0 ahead after 36min 47sec.

The rest of the quarter-finals are Cardiff Devils v Dundee Stars, Belfast Giants v Coventry Blaze and Manchester Storm against Guildford Flames.

Flyers finished in the eighth and final qualifying spot with 51 points, the same as Dundee Stars and one place behind Coventry Blaze following Sunday's results.

Blaze edged Guildford 4-3, Glasgow Clan were whipped 8-5 at Braehead by Devils and Nottingham earned a 3-2 overtime win over Manchester Storm.

Clan finished bottom of the ten-strong league with 49 points from 54 games while Nottingham Panthers had 50 points and were ninth.

PICTURE: Fife against Sheffield earlier this season. Picture courtesy of the Elite League

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