

Bulldogs without points in Graz

The Dornbirner Eishockey Club had to accept a 1:5-road loss on Sunday at the Moser Medical Graz99ers. On Tuesday already the Bulldogs will be hosting the Foxes from Bolzano for their next home game.

Both teams were playing a powerful first period, characterized by great performances of the two goalies. There were several good scoring opportunities on both sides, but Graz' Thomas Höneckl as well as Florian Hardy for Dornbirn kept a clean sheet. Coming back from the first intermission the 99ers got into their stride. Evan Brophrey assisted Oliver Setzinger (23.) right in front of the goal, the latter overcame Florian Hardy und succeeded for the 1:0. Shortly after Daniel Woger passed the puck from behind the net to Brendon Nash (26.), who was unattended and shot the puck in the top corner. The Bulldogs were pushing for a goal on their part. But all good things come in threes - Setzinger used a fast-break to get through on the side, he assisted Matthew Pelech (27.), who scored the 3:0 for the home team. The guests from Vorarlberg seemed shocked, and weren't able to turn to account a 5 on 3 powerplay shortly after. Graz was playing highly self-conscious now and came to several additional scoring chances, but didn't convert those into tangible reward for the time being.

D'Alvise with only Bulldogs goal

At the beginning of the final period Chris D'Alvise (41.) took heart and went through on the side by himself, he outplayed Höneckl and lifted the puck in the net, for the first and only DEC-goal on this evening. Dornbirn wanted more and went on pressing forward. They did have numerous opportunities, but the puck didn't find its way in the goal. In return Daniel Woger (54.) snatched the puck in a central position and scored for the fourth 99ers goal. On the very next attack it was Woger once more, who ran off. Hardy couldn't get hold of the puck, it bounced off of him, and Kurtis McLean (56.) was on the spot to score the 5:1 for Graz.

Sunday, November 13, 2016 (Erste Bank Eishockey Liga):

Moser Medical Graz99ers – Dornbirner Eishockey Club 5:1 (0:0, 3:0, 2:1)

Eisstadion Graz-Liebenau, 2.632 spectators

Officials: KINCSES, STOLC, Nagy, Zgonc

Goals:

G99: 1:0 Setzinger (23.), 2:0 Nash (26.), Pelech (27.), 4:1 Woger (54.), 5:1 McLean (56..)

DEC: 3:1 D'Alvise (41.)

Penalties:

G99: 4 min.

DEC: 4 min.

Line-Up:

G99: Höneckl – Pelech, Nash; Pöck, Weihager; Klimbacher, Unterweger; Reinthaler, Strohmeier – Beach, Brophrey, Setzinger; Woger, McLean, Ograjensek; Zusevics, Feichtner, Pirmann; Natter, Zierer, Trost

DEC: Hardy – Schmidt, Cody Sylvester; Crawford, Caruso; Konradsheim; Siutz – Livingston, Arniel, D'Alvise; Siddall, Dustin Sylvester, Grabher Meier; Achermann, Häußle, Petrik Niki; Macierzynski; Daniel Ban, Dominic Haberl