

Dornbirn brings home victory

Dornbirn Bulldogs won their Sunday road game at Fehervar AV19 2:0. Following this important success the team from Vorarlberg will be hosting EC-KAC in the Messestadion on Wednesday.

Dornbirn was hungry for a win, and consequently started off vigorously Sunday night in Fehervar. Three minutes into the game James Livingston had the early lead on the blade, but he missed out on taking the chance. The first period ended goal-less. While Dornbirn was clearly dominating the match - without being successful though -, the Red Devils were focusing mostly on their chances in counterattacks. They even brought the puck in once, right before the intermission. But the goal didn't count, since the referees had called it off already. With the minutes passing Fehervar was getting stronger, and the match turned into the expected battle. At this point it was basically a matter of luck who would score the first goal.

Coolness prevailed

Eventually, as the Bulldogs forwards once again occupied the offensive zone, Kevin Schmidt was on the spot. The defenseman with most points snatched the puck, positioned himself, and shot it towards Fehervar-goalie Miklos Rajna. The puck got deflected by Chris D'Alvise (31.), who made for the 1:0. The encounter was evenly-matched at this point, and up to the home team to take over control. Dornbirn did a good job fighting off the opponent's attacks. And raised the score to 2:0 during a powerplay. James Livingston (52./pp), assisted by Martin Grabher Meier, shoved the puck across the line. DEC captain Niki Petrik and his teammates had to overcome one more crucial situation, when they were short by two for two minutes due to a penalty. But in the end the DEC secured their 2:0-road victory, which also happened to be the first shutout for goalie Florian Hardy this year.

Sunday, December 04, 2016 (Erste Bank Eishockey Liga):

Fehervar AV19 – Dornbirner Eishockey Club 0:2 (0:0, 0:1, 0:1)

Gábor Ocskay Jr. Ice Hall, 3.248 spectators

Officials: GRUBER, KIMMERLY, Nagy, Soos

Goals:

AVS: none

DEC: 0:1 D'Alvise (31.), 0:2 Livingston (52./pp)

Penalties:

AVS: 10 min

DEC: 16 min.

Line-Up:

AVS: Rajna – Manavian, Schiestel; Szabo, Sziranyi; Owens, Szaller; Attila Orban – Sofron, Saraurer, Koger; Beauregard, Maylan, Brance Orban; Sarpatki, Vas, Szabo-Pal; Bodo, Erdely, Reisz.

DEC: Hardy – Schmidt, Magnan; Connelly, Caruso; Crawford, Konradsheim – Grabher Meier, Arniel, D'Alvise; Cody Sylvester, McBride, Dustin Sylvester; Siddall, Livingston, Niki Petrik; Achermann, Häußle, Macierzynski.