

Dornbirn routs Ljubljana

Dornbirn/12-12-2016 - In the Erste Bank Eishockey Liga the Dornbirner Eishockey Club celebrated an uncontested 7:2-victory against HDD Olimpija Ljubljana. After two successes within two days the Bulldogs are slowly catching up to the mid-table.

23 hours after the confident home win against Znojmo, the Bulldogs wanted to add another victory to the books by defeating basement boys Ljubljana. The visiting team's threadbare squad was not only missing two imports, who had left the team, but also five U20-National Team players, who are currently playing at the U20-World Cup in Budapest. Following a harmless powerplay by the Green Dragons, the home team got started. Oliver Achermann (4.) was the first one to score, using a rebound. From then on the play seemed to be going only one way, towards the goal of the Slovenes, who were hanging in there, defending as much as possible. Dornbirn wasn't playing consistently enough, and missed out on using their many scoring opportunities. Out of nowhere the guests scored the tie: Aljaz Uduc (17.) surprised Dornbirn with the 1:1. With about a minute left in the first period Chris D'Alvise (19./pp1) scooped the puck in the top corner for the lead once again.

Häußle with preliminary decision

The second period in the Messestadion turned out to be pretty even. Ljubljana, working hard to pull level, was closer to scoring a goal than the DEC, who was consistently playing with four lines. In minute 35 the Dragons hit the post, but that was it. In the final period the Bulldogs upped the tempo. With their second goal on this evening the fourth line made for the preliminary decision: Stefan Häußle (46.), perfectly assisted by Schmidt, scored for the 3:1. But once again Dornbirn was lacking concentration and took another goal against, this time by Ales Music (49.). Within 60 seconds the Bulldogs made up for their mistake. Kevin Schmidt served Jamie Arniel (50.), who shoved the biscuit in for the 4:2. Chris D'Alvise (52.), Martin Grabher Meier (55.) single-handedly, and Oliver Achermann (59./pp2) raised the score to 7:2, and ensured the Bulldogs' second win in a row.

Monday, December 12, 2016 (Erste Bank Eishockey Liga):

Dornbirner Eishockey Club - HDD Olimpija Ljubljana 7:2 (2:1, 0:0, 5:1)

Dornbirner Messestadion, 1.910 spectators

Officials: Piragic, Smetana; Kotschieder, Zgonc;

Goals:

DEC: 1:0 Achermann (4.), 2:1 D'Alvise (19./pp1), 3:1 Häußle (46.), 4:1 Arniel (50.), 5:1 D'Alvise (52.), 6:2 Grabher Meier (55.), 7:2 Achermann(59./pp2)

OLL: 1:1 Uduc (17.), 2:3 Music (49.)

Penalties:

DEC: 8 min.

OLL: 8 min.

Line-Up:

DEC: Hardy - Schmidt, Mangan; Connelly, Caruso; Crawford, Konradsheim; Siutz - Cody Sylvester, Arniel, Grabher Meier; Siddall, Livingston, Niki Petrik; Macierzynski, McBride, D'Alvise; Achermann, Häußle, Dominic Haberl;

OLL: Frazee - Selan, Guimond; Kristjan Cepon, Groznik; Planko; Batic - Bussieres, Langkow, Pem; Sebastjan Hadzic, Music, Uduc; Gilbert Gabor, Gal Koren, Miha Zajc; Chvatal;