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HOCKEY

**Streatham Redskins 9
Lee Valley Lions 4**
(ENIHL)

THE Lions completed their season in disappointing fashion as they slipped to defeat against their London rivals.

The visitors had been unlucky not to get something from the corresponding fixture back in December and with a strong squad of players to choose from must have been confident this time.

Streatham's first goal however came via a powerplay at 03:26 from Craig Metcalf.

The hosts added a second on 10:13 when a shot deflected off a player to give Metcalf his second point of the game.

Joe Johnston then scored the

first of his consecutive hat-trick goals for the Redskins just over 20 seconds later, the puck sneaking through Glen Jackson's legs.

Johnston followed this with another goal at 15:28 after a slip-up by Lions' Mark Swaine.

Just seconds later Scott Beeson had a breakaway opportunity against Streatham netminder Jon Silvester but his shot went wide and the period ended with the Lions four goals down.

The second period saw Lee Valley sink further as Johnston completed his hat-trick before Sam Mager added a sixth goal.

Finally at 27:30, Stas Prokofiev and Andrzej Maslak combined with some excellent passing to allow Michael Jacobs to score from a wide angle.

Lee Valley stepped up the pressure before a goal-mouth

scramble allowed James Hatfull to score with assists going to Scott Beeson and Stas Prokofiev.

Less than 30 seconds later the Lions pulled the score back to 6-3 as Streatham's Sam Mager succeeded in scoring an own goal that was credited to Ben Williams.

Lee Valley had won the second period and Streatham were not going to allow a repetition in the third.

Craig Metcalf scored his hat-trick at 43:41, assisted by Perry Richardson.

Stas Prokofiev clawed one back for the visitors with a goal that was assisted by Michael Jacobs and Mark Swaine at 53:32, but the Redskins went on to score further goals at 56:07 and 59:12 to secure their 9-4 victory.



Lions' man of the match, Andrzej Maslak in action against Streatham
(Photo: Julianne Bonner)

Rebdrige's Chas'n'rave over Dentith

SWIMMING

THE London Borough of Redbridge Swimming Club moved up to second overall at the half-way point in the Essex Age Group Championships.

Charlie Dentith, 12, was in amazing form winning the 100m, 200m and 400m medleys and 200m back, as well as finish-

overall.

In the boys event, Ivan Georgiev, Chris Inch, Chris Worby and Craig Moate finished fifth.

For the 12-year-old girls, Sophie Copper took gold in the 100m fly, silver in the 200m and 400m medley and third in the 400m free.

Emily Cole was fourth in the

in the 100m medley. Chris Inch, 14, swam a national qualifying time for second place in the 400m free, while in the girls 15-years category Phoebe Hayes placed second in the 100m back and third in the 800m free, Lauren Rouffe took silver in the 800m free and sixth in the 100m back.

In the 16 and over category,