## Lions slump to another heavy loss

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## Lee Valley Lions 0 Invicta Dynamos 14

AFTER an 11-0 defeat to league leaders Invicta only the previous weekend, Lee Valley Lions could have been forgiven for thinking things could not get much worse in the away leg.

How wrong they were. The Lions' task was made even more difficult by the absence of several key players, including

Andrzej Maslak, Andy Watt and Rob Courtman. An injury picked up the previous weekend also prevented Glen Jackson icing so the back-up netminder position

was filled by George Alley. As with the two teams' previous encounter, the first 10 minutes of the match went well with the Lions holding their own and preventing the stronger Invicta side from having any real impact.

However, after Andy Smith scored for the Dynamos in the 13th minute, things soon started to go downhill for Lee Valley.

Smith attained a hat-trick in the first period, each of his goals being assisted by Canadian Jordy Black, with James Fraser also getting on the scoresheet. The Lions fared no better in the second period, Invicta scoring a further four goals. Two of these were on powerplays as Nicky Braithwaite sat out two minutes for charging and Mark Swaine received a similar

punishment for interference. The Invicta onslaught was relentless and six more goals hit the back of Lee Valley's net to condemn them to a sorry defeat.

Picture: Julianne Bonner **GEORGE ALLEY had a busy debut for Lee** 

Valley Lions as 14 goals were conceded.