

Lions lose out as Hornets sting them

ICE HOCKEY

Bracknell Hornets 8

Lee Valley Lions 1

(English National
League South B)

LEE Valley Lions' first game of the 2007-08 season saw them make the trip up the M4 to visit the Bracknell Hornets.

Holidays meant the Lions were missing players such as Michael Jacobs and Stas Prokofiev.

But making their senior team debuts were a number of former Junior Lions including Theo Abban and Ruairi Teahan.

Having done really well to hold their own in a first period that saw them trailing just 1-0 against experienced opponents, the Londoners found themselves three down shortly after the restart of the second session.

Scott Beeson got on the scoreboard to reduce the deficit on 24mins 56secs, admirably assisted by Romanas Fedotovas and Michael Ranby.

Steve Cameron added a fourth for the hosts, before further strikes in the final period from Michael Plenty, Matt Ovenden, Craig Tribe and Dan Marashi saw the Hornets run out clear winners in the end.