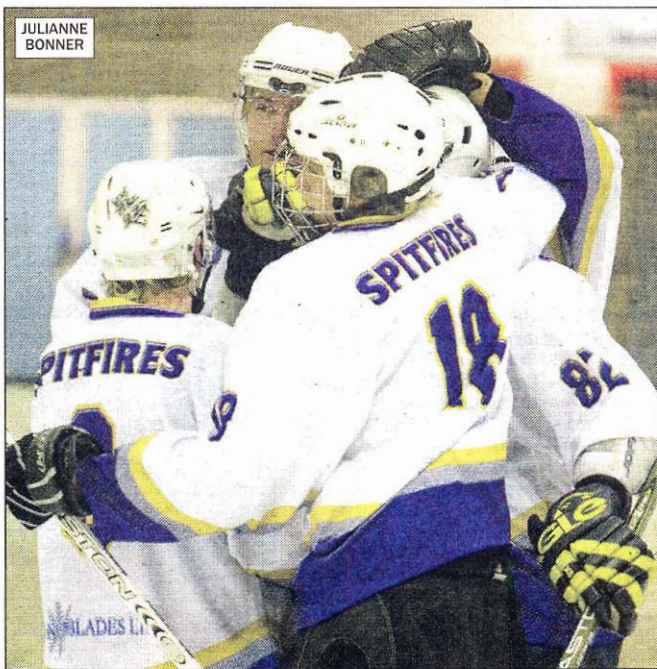


# TURNER GIVES SPITFIRES DERBY PRIZE

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● Romford's Ricky Mills, Ben Osborne, Richard Pniewski and Paul Merchant celebrate a goal in Saturday's ENL derby.

MATT Turner's 52nd-minute goal completed a fine fight-back and derby success for Spitfires on Saturday.

Turner netted his 12th goal of the season, on a powerplay, as the home side wiped out a two-goal deficit in the final period to take the points from their London rivals.

Lions started well, forcing Ben Clements into early action, and were given a spell of 5-on-3 when Ian Robinson, Turner and Luke Bramble were all binned in quick succession.

The visitors made the powerplay count as Rob Courtman found the net but Spitfires got themselves back on terms in the 14th minute courtesy of Sam Park's effort.

The home side then took the lead two minutes later when Ricky Mills was credited with a goal, after the puck appeared to go in off a Lee Valley player during a scramble in front of George Alley's net.

An interference call against Park gave Lions the chance to level on a second-period powerplay through defenceman James

## English National League ROMFORD 5 LEE VALLEY 4

**Spitfires:** Matt Turner 2 Ricky Mills 1+2 Sam Park 1+1 Matt Brown 1 Dan Sampson 0+1 Ben Osborne 0+1.

**Lions:** Stas Prokofiev\* 1+1 Rob Courtman 1 James Hatfull 1 Scott Beeson 1 Ruari Teahan 0+1 Joe Berry 0+1 Romanas Fedotovas\* 0+1 Paul O'Neill 0+1.

### HOW THEY SCORED

0-1 Courtman (Prokofiev) PP.....4:55  
1-1 Park (Sampson).....13:52  
2-1 Mills.....15:56  
2-2 Hatfull (Teahan) PP.....27:51  
2-3 Beeson (O'Neill).....41:54  
2-4 Prokofiev (Berry, Fedotovas).....44:23  
3-4 Turner (Park).....44:31  
4-4 Brown (Mills, Osborne).....49:38  
5-4 Turner (Mills) PP.....51:25

**Shots on goal:** Ben Clements (R) 6-19-13=38-4 George Alley 12-13-15=40-5.

**Penalty minutes:** Romford 20 (Bramble 4 Sampson 4 Turner 4 Whitlock 2 Park 2 Robinson 2 Merchant 2) Lee Valley 16 (Beeson 12 Berry 2 Fedotovas\* 2).

**Referee:** David Meekison.

Hatfull and the visitors moved 3-2 ahead early in the third session when former Romford Raider Scott Beeson's shot proved too hot to handle for the otherwise outstanding Clements.

Lee Valley thought they had done enough for victory when Stas Prokofiev netted their fourth in the 45th minute.

But Spitfires hit back just eight

## SPITFIRES SCORING

Player	P	G	A	T	M
Matt Turner	15	12	6	18	8
Ben Osborne	17	8	8	16	28
Sam Park	16	3	13	16	6
Ricky Mills	17	5	9	14	42
Evander Grinnell	13	7	6	13	33
Paul Merchant	16	2	6	8	32
Matt Brown	11	2	4	6	8
Phil O'Neill	10	1	3	4	16
Dan Sampson	16	0	4	4	24
Luke Bramble	15	2	1	3	102
Perry Whitlock	16	1	2	3	40
Daniel Hammond	5	0	2	2	6
Richard Pniewski	8	1	0	1	22
Joe Snazzell	3	1	0	1	0
Alan Blyth (G)	15	0	1	1	0
David Oliver	6	0	1	1	10
Mark Robinson	8	0	1	1	12
Keith Waller	10	0	1	1	2
Ian Robinson	16	0	1	1	66
Rhodri Jones	11	0	0	0	10

**Also:** Ben Clements (G) 14 Mel Bidder 4 Danny Kruse (G) 3 Steve Alford 1.

### GOALTENDING

	Min	Sh	G	Av	Sv
Blyth	316.18	223	24	4.55	892
Kruse	55.09	41	5	5.49	878
Clements	572.49	474	56	5.86	881

seconds later through Turner to give themselves hope and Matt Brown made it 4-4 with ten minutes remaining.

Then, with Romanas Fedotovas sitting out a hooking call, Turner popped in a powerplay goal to seal the points for Romford. The victory was marred by a bad injury to Phil O'Neill, who looks unlikely to play again this season.