

Dynamos too powerful for Lions

ICE HOCKEY

**Lee Valley Lions 2
Invicta Dynamos 11**

LEE Valley Lions got the cold shoulder from high-flying Invicta Dynamos as they crashed to a one-sided defeat at the Lee Valley Ice Centre on Sunday.

Lions, who took to the ice even though the professional team at the Lee Valley Ice Centre had decided the rink was too dangerous to play, could at least savour the performances of Chris Goddard and netminder Stefan Nubert, who were both outstanding.

Invicta flew into a two-goal lead, before netminder Stefan Nubert produced a brilliant save. He had no chance, though, as Dynamos added two goals in less than a minute.

Lions youngster Gennadi Yufit then went close with a breakaway, before defenceman Goddard made the most of a powerplay and swiped a fantastic shot from the blue line.

In the second period, the Lions held the Dynamos at bay for 20 minutes until the peace was shattered with a

four-goal barrage of class moves.

The play wasn't all one-sided, Lee Valley Lions' Ben Osborne also scoring on a powerplay and Man of the Match Goddard preventing an eighth Invicta goal a minute later.

Nubert made a couple of skillful saves, but a lethal blue-line wrist shot from Alex Shaw and an 11th goal from Donald Gagnon just 18 seconds later finished off the Invicta scoring.

The weekend got worse for Lee Valley as they crashed to defeat away to Oxford on Sunday – going 10-0 down at the end of the second period.

New signing Kwabina Oppong-Addai took advantage of a powerplay and scored unassisted. It was the Lions' only goal of the night – but at least it meant they won the period!

LEE VALLEY MAN OF THE MATCH: Chris Goddard

LIONS: Nubert, Yufit, Whitney, Sampson, Courtney, Shrubsole, Beeson, Oppong-Addai, Braithwaite, Hodge, Swaine, Goddard, Fedotovas, O'Neill, Osborne, Wakeling.



● Man of the match.. Chris Goddard