LEE VALLEY BOSSED BY BUFFALO

BASINGSTOKE Buffalo were a force to be reckoned with when the sides last met in September 2005. This clash was no exception, Buffalo's Dean Phillimore knocking a scrappy goal past Stefan Nubert with just 01:16 on the clock.

Although Nubert succeeded in making several saves, his luck ran out in the seventh minute when three more Basingstoke goals hit the net.

A late burst of determination from the Lee Valley Lions saw Matyas Vas coming close to putting his mark on the score-sheet, but Basingstoke's female netminder, Vicky Robbins,

foiled his shot with a solid save.
With a comfortable lead of 6-0 the

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Buffalo bench relieved Vicky Robbins from goal-tending duties.

Just when it looked like the Lions would be shut-out for a second period, Ben Osborne fired home at 39:05, assists going to Rob Courtman and youngster Michael Jacobs. Lions were still trailing 6-1 to Buffalo, who are currently sitting third in the table.

Further Buffalo goals followed in quick succession, as Lions were outclassed throughout. Lions play their final games of the season next weekend.

On Saturday they are at home to Milton Keynes Thunder, face-off 5.45pm. The following day they travel to Kent to face league-leaders

el to Kent to face league-leaders Invicta Dynamos, face-off 5.15pm. LEE VALLEY LIONS: Stefan Nubert (g), Gennadi Yufit, Daniel

Sampson, Matyas Vas, Ian Courtney,

Scott Beeson, Michael Ranby, Richard Hodge, Mark Swaine, Chris Goddard, Grant Hutchin, Michael Jacobs (0+1), Joe Berry, Ben Osborne (1+0), Darren Wakeling, James Scott-Joseph, Rob Courtman (0+1).