

Sports

Reinforcements propel Bulls over Spitfires

By Benjamin Priebe

The Belleville Bulls defeated the Windsor Spitfires 4-3 in a shootout on Saturday night in front of 2,571 fans.

Confident after an 8-2 triumph over the Frontenacs on Friday, the Bulls returned to the Yardmen Arena introducing new addition Alan Quine. Quine, a 2012 third round draft pick of the Detroit Red Wings, was picked up at trade deadline on Jan. 10. Bulls goaltender Charlie Graham got the nod over Malcolm Subban on Saturday night and gave a solid performance in his backup role.

Quine made the most of his home debut by opening the scoring with a wrist shot over the shoulder of Spitfires goalie Jaroslav Pavelka at 11:20 in the first period, assisted by Daniil Zharkov. At 11:43, Zharkov fed Jake Cardwell a skillful pass and he snuck a shot through Pavelka's legs to give the Bulls a quick 2-0 lead.

Spitfires shifted gears in the second period with Josh Ho-Sang and Ben Johnson setting up Brady Vail with a wide-open net early on. The Bulls began to feel pressure when Alexander Khokhlachev sunk another shot on Graham later in the period. The Bulls recovered the lead quickly with a tic-tac-toe passing play executed by Garrett Hooley and Niki Petti giving Micheal Curtis a low slot goal at 18:48 of the second frame.

In the third period, Khokhlachev put the Bulls back into danger with a goal during a five on three power play with a few minutes left. The game continued through a tense overtime. Both teams battled, but did not score, leading to an edge-of-the-seat shootout with Windsor shooting first.

Khokhlachev and Quine fanned their shots, followed by both Chris Marchese and new Bull addition Tyler Graovac scoring. Graham made a save on Kerby Rychel's shot and Joseph Cramarossa won the game by dekeing Pavelak, and sliding the puck into the net.



Photo by Joel Watson

Belleville Bulls centre Joseph Cramarossa scores the wining shootout goal on Spitfire's goalie, Jaroslav Pavelka. The Bulls defeated the Spitfires 4-3.

Recent arrivals Graovac (Ottawa 67s) and Quine (Peterborough Petes) have been lighting it up for the Bulls in their opening games. Graovac scored a goal and three assists last Saturday against Sault Ste. Marie

Greyhounds and Quine scored a goal and four assists against the Kingston Frontenacs this past Friday night.

"We picked up two guys who are going to help us in the long run for a shot at the

Memorial Cup," said Bull Chad Heffernan after the game. "A strong offence is key to our success."

Quine was also the first star of Saturday night's tilt against the Spitfires. "I'm

pumped that I was picked up at deadline," said Quine. "I know Graovac and he is a perfect addition to my new team."

The Bulls host Owen Sound Attack Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Yardmen.

Lancers victorious over Georgian

By Jason Prupas

The Loyalist Lancers men's basketball team went head to head this weekend against the Georgian Grizzlies, finishing in a tight victory in overtime.

They scored their last three points with about two minutes left in overtime, earning them a 84-81 win against the Grizzlies, which brings them to seven wins and five losses so far in the season.

After losing the first quarter 19-20, the Lancers came back in the second winning 25-15, and tying the third 22-22. They took a hit in the fourth with an 18-24 loss, however, the big lead in the second quarter and the three-pointer in overtime gave the Lancers the narrow victory.

Head coach Ryan Barbeau attributes the win to grittiness and focus. "It was a scrappy game. The records aren't very indicative of the way they play, and they play teams tough."

With the Grizzlies losing 11 games and winning one so far this season, Barbeau expected a tighter game in their favour.

"They just kept on scratching and clawing their way up, which brought us into overtime, which should have never happened. Nonetheless, I think we played very well."

Barbeau thought the team played exactly how they practised, with a defence-oriented strategy. "We are going to keep doing what we have been doing during practice. Preach defence first. We still have a lot of offensive stuff to tweak and go over but for now, defence first"

Lancer point guard, Jordan Marlowe agrees.

"The first half of the game we dominated. The second half we weren't too good but I think we rallied together as a team and we got the W." Marlowe was one of the Lancer's top players Saturday night with 13 points under his belt. Brayden Gohn had 22 points, and Patrick Kalala got 28.

The next couple of games are re-



Photo by Jason Prupas

Loyalist Lancer point guard Patrick Kalala battles for the ball against Georgian Grizzly Glody Madymba Jan. 12 at Loyalist College. The Lancers went on to win the game 84-81 in overtime.

ally going to challenge the team. On Jan. 23, they play Centennial, ranked second in the East Division. Marlowe remains keen on keeping up the hard work in practice. "I think I need to work a little harder on

my defensive end. I let my man beat me a few times but that can't be happening and that led to a few buckets."

"I expected a very gritty, tough-minded team. They've got a great coach. They play the top teams real tough. And we ex-

pected nothing-less"

"I think it was a great team effort overall," said Coach Barbeau.

The Lancers will play La Cite Coyotes Jan. 20, at 2p.m. at Loyalist College.

Women's team scores win over Grizzlies

Georgian no match for effective play by Loyalist Lancers

By Jenny Robertson

The Loyalist Lancers women's basketball team scored another win in their game against the Georgian Grizzlies this past Saturday.

The Lancers took the beginning of the game by scoring the first basket, winning the team three points.

As the game at Loyalist progressed, the Lancers never backed down, keeping up a winning score against the opposing Grizzlies who couldn't seem to keep up.

The Grizzlies teammates shouted tips from the sidelines while the Lancers shouted cheers.

By the end of the second quarter, the Lancers were still holding the lead of 44-15. The Grizzlies tried hard to keep up, but were no match for the Lancers' skills.

Jenni Thompson led the Lancers with the most points. Thompson previously won several Ontario Colleges Athletic Association Women's Basketball Awards in 2011-12, including OCAA East Division Rookie of the Year, OCAA East Division All-Rookie Team and was also named one of the OCAA East Division Second-Team All-Stars.

As the game came to an end, basket after basket, the Lancers seemed to already know they would be taking the victory.

The Lancers flew up and down the floor in a whirlwind, scoring as many points as possible before the end of the last quarter.

The game ended with a final score of 80-35.

We asked people at Loyalist College the following question:

Question: With the return on the NHL, will you be watching? Why or why not?



Bryan Dunham, athletic therapist, Toronto Maple Leafs fan: "Hell ya, because I have always watched hockey. I'm not interested in basketball or the NFL. Saturday night is hockey and beer!"



Peter Williams, student life officer, Toronto Maple Leafs fan: "No, I'm not interested anymore, I'm mad. It's millionaires arguing with billionaires. I'll watch if the Leafs are in the seventh game, third period of the Stanley Cup finals."



Brock Kerby, first-year, police foundations, Montreal Canadiens fan: "Yes because I enjoy it. It's one of my pastimes. I watched more OHL and went to more Belleville Bulls games."



Jim Buck, athletics director, Montreal Canadiens fan: "I will not because these guys have frustrated me too much. I've been a hockey fan for 45 years. I can't sympathize because it's not the first time."



Amy Hoskin, athletics assistant, Toronto Maple Leafs fan: "I won't go out of my way to watch games and I won't buy NHL gear or attend a game. It's ridiculous they make so much money and it took too long (to settle the deal)."



Rachel MacGregor, first year, journalism - online, print, broadcast, Ottawa Senators fan: "I'm not big into hockey, but especially now because they are greedy. It went on for so long. It was immature and unprofessional."