

# Fury finally find the winning formula to tame sad Lions

## Ice Hockey Extra

After seven games without a win at the start of the season, Romford Fury opened their account in ENL Division Two with a 7-5 success over fierce rivals Lee Valley Lions at Rom Valley Way.

The home side made a fine start as Matt France opened the scoring in the second minute, but Richard Hodge hit back to level on an early Lions powerplay.

Fury regained the lead as Ryan Payne claimed his first goal of the season before top scorer and captain Sean Martin made it 3-1 with his ninth of the campaign.

A roughing minor against the Lions Canadian import Blair Dubyk, with 31 seconds left in the first period, gave Matt Brown the chance to extend Romford's lead on the powerplay.

And Fury moved 5-1 up in

## ENL Division 2, Saturday ROMFORD 7 LEE VALLEY 5

**Fury:** Matt Brown 3 Sam Roberts 1+1 Matt France 1+1 Ryan Payne 1 Sean Martin 1 Mark Robinson 0+3 Ryan Blackwood 0+2 Stuart Low 0+1 David Richards 0+1 Mel Bidder 0+1.

**Lions:** Blair Dubyk\* 2+1 Adam Peach 1+1 Richard Hodge 1+1 Calum Heath 1 Joe Berry 0+1 Romanas Fedotovas\* 0+1.

### HOW THEY SCORED

#### First period

1-0 France (Robinson) 1:42  
1-1 Hodge (Dubyk) PP 3:46  
2-1 Payne (France, Robinson) 8:42  
3-1 Martin (Low, Richards) 11:06  
4-1 Brown

(Roberts, Blackwood) PP 19:37

**Penalties:** Bench (R) 2:50; Fedotovas\* (LV) elbows 4:04; Peters (R) high sticks 11:47; Peters (R) misconduct (10 minutes) 11:47; Hodge (LV) slashing 11:58; Dubyk\* (LV) tripping 13:10; Dubyk\* (LV) roughing 19:29.

#### Second period

5-1 Roberts (Bidder) 20:36  
5-2 Peach (Fedotovas) 21:15  
6-2 Brown (Robinson) 23:57  
6-3 Dubyk PP 25:59  
6-4 Heath (Berry, Peach) 29:22

**Penalties:** Peters (R) slashing 25:55; Hatfull (LV) holding 38:32.

#### Third period

6-5 Dubyk (Hodge) 42:00

7-5 Brown (Blackwood) PP 47:48

**Penalties:** Payne (R) tripping 44:00; Peach (LV) charging 46:09; Peters

the first minute of the second period as Sam Roberts fired in from Mel Bidder's pass.

Adam Peach replied for the visitors, but Brown's second goal of the night put Fury 6-2 up in only the 24th minute.

Lions roared back with a powerplay goal from Dubyk and a Calum Heath effort before the midway mark. And Dubyk's second goal cut the gap to just one in the early part of the final period.

A charging call against Peach gave Fury another powerplay chance, though, and Brown made the most of it to complete his hat-trick and seal the points.

Assistant coach Simon Kears said: "It was a real team effort. Hopefully we can kick on from here and push up the league.

"Ice hockey in Romford is hopefully on the incline."

Fury make the long trip to Bristol tomorrow.

(R) hooking 48:53; Blackwood (R) tripping 49:05; Low (R) roughing 52:48.

**Shots on goal:** Ian Shepherd (R, 25:59) 6-4=10-3 Merv Tasker (R, 34:01) 9-16=25-2 Ruth Catell (LV, 50:27) 17-13-6=36-7 George Alley (LV, 9:33) 8-0. **Referee:** Jurij Solovjovs.

### Fury Scoring

	P	G	A	T	M
Sean Martin	8	9	1	10	14
Mark Robinson	8	2	6	8	16
Stuart Low	5	2	5	7	8
Matt Brown	4	6	0	6	0
Dan Peters	7	2	4	6	32
JJ Pitchley	2	3	2	5	0
David Richards	7	0	4	4	16
Mel Bidder	8	0	4	4	20
Matt France	2	1	2	3	0
Ryan Blackwood	4	1	2	3	8
Thomas Larkin	4	2	0	2	18
Rhys Furlong	5	2	0	2	22
Sam Roberts	3	1	1	2	4
Ryan Payne	8	1	1	2	12
Joe Gulliver	7	0	2	2	2
David Howard	3	0	1	1	2
Simon Kears	3	0	1	1	37
Robbie Veares	7	0	1	1	22
Max Falzon	2	0	0	0	4
Lewis Holt	1	0	0	0	2
Ian Robinson	3	0	0	0	8
Joe Weare	3	0	0	0	27

**Also:** Mervyn Tasker 7 Ian Shepherd 6 Chris Lawes 3 Alan Blyth 2 Sam Park 2 Ross Georgallides 1.

Goalies	M	S	G	Av	S%
Shepherd	116.14	81	10	5.1	876
Tasker	363.46	264	25	4.1	905