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PROVIDENCE FALLS TO LEHIGH VALLEY ON THE ROAD, 4-3

Providence, RI - Providence was dealt their first loss of the road trip when the Lehigh Valley Phantoms squeaked out a 4-3 win over the P-Bruins.

The Phantoms came out flying and throwing their bodies around which helped them jump out to a quick 2-0 lead. Conner managed to intercept Jeremy Smith's pass and bury the puck in the open net. Soon after, Brent capitalized on the power play for the Phantoms' second goal.

Colton Hargrove put Providence on the board part way through the first. Anton Blidh beat his defender on the left wing and fired a shot on net. Ouellette let up a rebound, and Hargrove was crashing the net to bury the puck. Colby Cave also picked up an assist on the play.

Lehigh Valley took back the two goal lead just 0:50 later when Drewiske potted a short handed goal. After an uncharacteristic rocky start for Jeremy Smith, Zane McIntyre replaced him in net with 8:05 to play in the first.

Justin Hickman contributed a hard-fought solo effort to make the game 3-2. Hickman fought his way down the left wing, controlled the puck and fired a wrist shot from the half boards that rocketed past Ouellette.

The Providence Bruins tied things up early in the third period. Brian Ferlin went bar down on a back hander from the high slot to make it 3-3.

Lehigh Valley had puck luck on their side when they took back the lead 16:15 into the middle frame. Conner notched his second of the night from behind the net. Standing directly behind the net, Conner banked the puck off the apron of the net causing the puck to ricochet in the air and roll off McIntyre's back and into the net.

The P-Bruins threw another 8 shots on net in the third period, but nothing bounced through.

The Providence Bruins will be back at home at the Dunk on Saturday April 2nd against the Hershey Bears.

PROVIDENCE SCORING

#20 Colton Hargrove (#21 Anton Blidh, #25 Colby Cave) 11:05, 1st #12 Justin Hickman (#29 Frankie Simonelli) 16:37, 1st #19 Brian Ferlin (#26 Max Talbot, #2 Matt Irwin) 3:35, 2nd

PROVIDENCE GOALTENDING

#30 Jeremy Smith 1 save on 4 shots #31 Zane McIntyre 17 saves on 18 shots

The Providence Bruins are the American Hockey League affiliate of the NHL's Boston Bruins, playing their home games at the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence, RI. Spanning more than 20 years, the Boston/Providence affiliation is one of the longest and most successful player development partnerships in professional hockey history.

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