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### CZARNIK’S HAT-TRICK LEADS P-BRUINS OVER AMERKS

**Providence, RI** – The Providence Bruins defeated the Rochester Americans on Friday night 5-3 to sweep their season series against them. The P-Bruins got a hat-trick from Austin Czarnik along with goals from Adam Payerl and Connor Clifton while McIntyre made his 38th start of the season in net.

Rochester started the first period with a goal scored on the first shot of the game from Adam Krause. Krause’s goal occurred at 1:13 and was assisted by Zach Redmond and Justin Danforth. The P-Bruins fought back throughout the rest of the period with multiple good chances, and eventually tied it up at 15:26 with a goal from Payerl. Payerl’s 6th goal of the season was assisted by Kenny Agostino and Chris Breen to make it 1-1 going into the first intermission.

The fierce battle continued into the second period as Rochester took the lead again with a goal from Alexander Nylander assisted by Colin Blackwell at 5:42. Just over a minute later, Clifton’s slapshot from the right dot tied it up again. Clifton’s third goal of the season was unassisted at 6:51 to make the score 2-2. As Danny O’Regan was sent to the box for Rochester for holding, Czarnik scored on a wrist shot from the right half boards for a power play goal. Czarnik’s 18th goal of the season was assisted by Fitzgerald and Cross at 8:14 to give the P-Bruins the 3-2 lead going into the third period.

Just 3:29 into the third period, O’Regan scored for Rochester to tie up the game again. O-Regan’s 11th goal of the season was assisted by Sahir Gll and Kevin Porter to make the score 3-3. Just a minute later, the P-Bruins were on the powerplay as Redmond was sent to the box for tipping at 4:29. During the powerplay Adam Wilcox left the ice due to injury, and Jonas Johansson made his first appearance in net for Rochester this season. Moments later, Czarnik notched his 2nd power play goal of the game assisted by Agostino and Fitzgerald at 5:08. With under a minute left in the game and Rochester’s goalie pulled, Czarnik notched his 3rd goal of the game to get the first hat trick of the season for Providence. The empty-netter was assisted by Cross at 19:26 to give the P-Bruins the 5-3 win.

McIntyre stopped 28 of 31 shots while Wilcox stopped 35 of 38 and Johansson stopped 9 of 10. Providence was 2-5 on the power play and 3-3 on the penalty kill. The P-Bruins are back in action tomorrow as they travel to Lehigh Valley for a 7:05pm faceoff against the Phantoms.

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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 25 years, the Boston/Providence affiliation is one of the longest and most successful player development partnerships in professional hockey history.

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