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## P-BRUINS STREAK UP TO 12 GAMES AFTER 2-1 SHOOTOUT WIN

**Providence**, **RI** – The Providence Bruins defeated the Hartford Wolf Pack 2-1 in a shootout Sunday afternoon at the Dunkin Donuts Center to increase their AHL-leading point streak up to 12 games. Anton Blidh scored for the P-Bruins in regulation and Peter Cehlarik scored in the shootout while Zane McIntyre got the start in net on the final day of their Holiday Toy Drive.

Providence played well in the first but got behind early in the period. At 6:04, Matt Carey blocked a Matt Bartkowski shot and was able to take the puck down the ice uncontested. A shot from the point beat McIntyre for his sixth goal of the year and Hartford went up 1-0. Providence would respond at 13:26 when Blidh, in just his second game back from a stint with Boston, took Wayne Simpson's pass from the right dot and wristed one by to tie the score 1-1. Colby Cave picked up the secondary assist on Blidh's sixth goal of the season.

Both teams saw second period chances, including late power plays each, but McIntyre and Magnus Hellberg held tough between the pipes to keep things 1-1 into the second intermission. It was more of the same in the third as neither goaltender gave in as the teams headed to overtime. Providence had the better chances in the OT, with Simpson getting a chance in the crease, but nothing found the back of the net and a shootout was needed to determine a winner.

Cehlarik shot first for the P-Bruins in the shootout, providing the only goal either team would get by going past the right blocker of Hellberg. Providence won the shootout 1-0, giving them a 2-1 victory. McIntyre stopped 31 of 32 shots and all three faced in the shootout in while Hellberg saved 40 of 41 shots and two of three in the shootout. Providence was 0-7 on the power play and 6-6 on the penalty kill.

The team returns home Friday, December 16 for a battle with the Bridgeport Sound Tigers at 7:05.

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