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### MILLER WOWS IN HOME DEBUT, PROVIDENCE WINS 6-1

**PROVIDENCE, RI-** Colin Miller went 2-1-3 in his home debut for the Providence Bruins and helped propel the P-Bruins to a 6-1 victory over the Bridgeport Sound Tigers. Alexander Khokhlachev went 0-5-5 and Frankie Vatrano recorded 2-0-0. Providence is now in 3rd place in the Atlantic Division.

Bridgeport got out to an early lead when, but it was the only lead the Sound Tigers would hold for the remainder of the game. Brandon DeFazio netted the equalizer 1:20 later. Ben Youds passed to Khokhlachev who onetimed it right back to Youds on the blue line. His slap shot rocketed towards net where DeFazio tipped it past Gibbons and put the P-Bruins on the board.

Providence continued to fight back from the early deficit when Colin Miller lit the lamp 1:22 after Youds' blast. Khokhlachev dished the puck to Miller in a similar fashion to the first goal, and Miller collected the puck on the right point and unleashed a long-range wrist shot that found the back of the net. The P-Bruins went into the second period leading 2-1 and twice as many shots as Bridgeport (14-7).

Miller netted his second of the night 2:28 into the second period. Khokhlachev carried the puck behind the net and sent a centering pass to Miller who was streaking to the net and managed a shot from his knee that found the back of the net.

Vatrano extended the lead to 4-1 when his wrist shot from the high slot went low stick side.

Vatrano capitalized on the power play in the third period for his 25th of the season. It was another quick wrist shot for the rookie, and Miller and Khokhlachev picked up the assists. The Providence Bruins continue to have success on the power play - ranked #1 in the AHL with a 24% completion rate throughout the season.

Chris Casto potted the final goal of the game with a quick shot from the right face off dot. Griffith and Acciari picked up the helpers.

Jeremy Smith looked strong between the pipes and finished the night with 27 saves.

The P-Bruins are back home at the Dunk Sunday February 28th against the WBS Penguins.

### PROVIDENCE SCORING

#24 Brandon DeFazio (#5 Ben Youds, #13 Alexander Khokhlachev) 2:43, 1st  
#7 Colin Miller (#13 Alexander Khokhlachev, #3 Tommy Cross) 4:05, 1st  
#7 Colin Miller (#13 Alexander Khokhlachev, #27 Austin Czarnik) 2:28, 2nd  
#49 Frankie Vatrano (#13 Alexander Khokhlachev, #17 Seth Griffith) 19:16, 2nd  
#49 Frankie Vatrano (#7 Colin Miller, #13 Alexander Khokhlachev) 14:26, 3rd PP  
#6 Chris Casto (#17 Seth Griffith, #10 Noel Acciari) 15:52, 3rd

### PROVIDENCE GOALTENDING

#30 Jeremy Smith 27 saves on 28 shots

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