

Aurora FC men collect first win of League1 season



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Three weeks after a first-round exit from the League1 Cup at the hands of Toronto's ProStars FC, the Aurora FC men were able to exact their revenge.

In the first meeting of the League1 Ontario regular season between the two, Aurora came out on top Sunday at Stewart Burnett Park in Aurora, a come-from-behind 2 ? 1 win for their first of the season.

It was the ProStars that scored the game's opening goal just eight minutes in, giving keeper Ryan Collins no chance on a rebound after Collins was forced to make a highlight reel save.

The equalizer did not come until the early minutes of the second half, when Nicholas Theodorakakis finished a header off of a corner kick.

The winning goal at the 64-minute mark was set up by a superb long lead pass from Parmpreet Singh, who found second-half sub Matthew McGrouther in alone to put it past the ProStars keeper.

Their first three-point effort now behind them, the men can focus on climbing the League1 ladder, jumping from the basement to twelfth in the seventeen-team league in one fell swoop.

A three-week break in the regular season schedule closes out the month of June for the men, who return to the pitch on July 8 against the Woodbridge Strikers.

The Aurora women's side, marred in an offensive slump, continued their scoring woes on Saturday in a 2 ? 1 loss to Unionville Milliken SC at home.

Despite scoring the first goal of the game, a blast off the foot of Natalia Casiello from just outside the box, a late penalty kick tied the game with just over twenty minutes to go.

The winner beat keeper Meghan Phillips at the 77-minute mark, off of a converted corner kick.

A four-game losing streak, a span that has seen the Aurora squad score only three times, has dropped Aurora near to the bottom of the League1 ladder with a record of 1-5-0.

The women, whose schedule also sees a similar three-week break, return to action against West Ottawa SC on July 7, who hold onto a similar 1-5-0 record.