

Junior Panthers edge London Devilettes 2-1 to climb back into second place in the OWSHA U22 Elite Division

The U22 Central York Panthers got back to their winning ways on Saturday afternoon by edging the London Devilettes 2-1 at SARC.

The Panthers suffered their worst defeat of the season when they were submerged 7-1 by the first-place Etobicoke Dolphins on October 25 at SARC.

In the bounce back win on Saturday, Panthers' forward Zoe Ordanis opening the scoring with assists from Abby Pak and Elizabeth Shapira at 8:31 of the first period. Ordanis's power play marker was her seventh of the season.

The productive Ordanis has 19 points in 17 games played.

Parker Talbot pulled the visitors into a 1-1 tie with 4:21 remaining in the opening frame.

After a scoreless second period, Audrey Martone scored the game-winning goal with 7:21 left in the game. Ellie Lewington earned the assist on the high-scoring Martone's 11th tally.

Panthers' goaltender Jamie Sanford turned aside 16 of the 17 shots she faced to earn the W.

With the win, the Junior Panthers moved back into second place in the 25-team OWSHA U22 Elite Division.

However, much like the Blue Jays the night before, the Panthers lost a heartbreaker in overtime on Sunday as they fell 4-3 to the Cambridge Rivulettes at SARC.

After a scoreless first period, the Rivulettes fired three goals in the middle frame.

Maryn Broderick opened the scoring at 10:59. Forty-seven seconds later, Emersyn Miller made it 2-0 for Cambridge. Miller picked up her second of the period at 7:18 to stake the visitors to a three-goal lead heading into second intermission.

Cue the CYP comeback.

Fifty-four seconds into the third period, veteran Kiera Johnson got the Panthers on the scoreboard.

Abby Pak's power play goal at 17:37 pulled Central York to within one goal of the visitors.

Johnson's second goal of the period with 1:50 remaining tied it 3-3, earned the team a point when that prospect looked doubtful, and sent the game into overtime.

Ordanis and Cotey earned two assists each in the spirited Panthers' third period rally.

Alas, 2:20 into the extra period, Rachael Burt fired the game-winner for Cambridge.

The Panthers travel to London to take on the Devilettes on Saturday, November 8 and return home to host the Waterloo Ravens on Sunday, November 9.

Puck drop at SARC will be 1:20 p.m.

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