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HOCKEY: Fraser fends off host Troy Athens in non-league matchup

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Fraser's goalie, John Goemaere, stretches to make the save against Troy Athens' Nathan Gurzell (#20) during the first period of the game played on Wednesday at the Troy Sports Center. Fraser won the game 3-2. (Special to the Oakland Press/Ken Swart)



Troy Athens' Nathan Gurzell (#20) controls the puck as Fraser's JR Dellies (#10) defends during the second period of the game played on Wednesday at the Troy Sports Center. Fraser won the game 3-2. (Special to the Oakland Press/Ken Swart)

just 3:46 into the game. Gray got his first goal midway through the period on a turn around shot from between the circles to make it 2-0 as Fraser was able to generate a lot of quality chances in the first period off of turnovers. Kosta Karabetsos scored for Troy Athens late in the first to make it 2-1.

With the win, Fraser improves to 5-5-1 overall. Krussman felt that it was an important first step for his team heading into the second half of the season.

"We're extremely excited to be .500," Krussman said. "It's been a while since we've been .500. We think we've got some good players, a good team, and we look forward to moving north of .500"

Troy Athens slips to 3-9 heading into Saturday's game at Walled Lake Northern. Despite, the loss, Barone felt like

TROY – The Fraser Ramblers boys hockey team picked up a 3-2 victory over the host Troy Athens Red Hawks on Wednesday night.

Jackson Gray got what would prove to be the game winner early in the third period when he came down the left side and picked the far corner from a sharp angle for his second goal of the night. At the time, it gave Fraser a 3-1 lead early in the third period, but Athens would not go quietly. The Red Hawks outshot the Ramblers 16-7 in the third period as they tried to stage a comeback.

Ian Marchand banged home a rebound with just over three minutes to play to make it 3-2, but that was as close as the Red Hawks could get.

"It was what we've been lacking, and it was nice to see that they got the confidence that they know they can go all out, that they can put the shots on net, generate their own rebounds, and get creative enough to get that goal," Troy Athens head coach Joe Barone said of his team's third period surge.


Both goalies had a lot to do in this one as the contrasting styles of the two teams produced a lot of good scoring chances for each team. Athens' Jeff Merola made 38 saves, including 32 in the first two periods to help the Red Hawks hang around until their offense turned it up in the third period.

"It's nice watching his progression," Barone said. "He's had to play every game, and it's nice to watch him grow because you get to see every game he gets a bit more confident."


John Goemaere made 25 saves for Fraser, including 15 in the third period, many of which came in the final minutes as the Red Hawks were pressing hard to tie the game. "Our goalie, John Goemaere played really well," Fraser head coach Don Krussman said. "When they(Athens) had shots, they had premium shots, and I thought John did really well."

The Ramblers got on the board early when Killian Hannon fired a snap shot into the far corner off a two on one break

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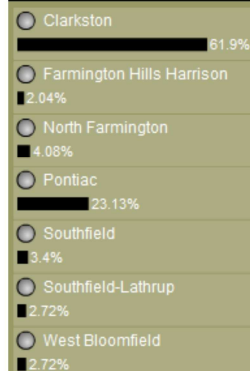


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Troy Athens' Kosta Karabetos (#15) shoots and scores over Fraser's goalie John Goemaere during the first period of the game played on Wednesday at the Troy Sports Center. Fraser won the game 3-2. (Special to the Oakland Press/Ken Swart)



Fraser's Conner Gordley (#9) carries the puck past Troy Athens' Dylan Kotora (#10) during the first period of the game played on Wednesday at the Troy Sports Center. Fraser won the game 3-2. (Special to the Oakland Press/Ken Swart)

this game was something his team could build on heading into the second half of the season. "It always hurts for a loss, but we found some positives out of this game and hopefully they'll move us forward for the last half of the season."

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