

Goal outburst in 3rd lifts Fraser

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Fraser, for the most part, was able to keep its cool Friday night.

The Ramblers beat L'Anse Creuse 4-1 at Great Lakes Sports City in the a showdown for first place in the MAC Blue Division.

Fraser improved to 2-0 (6-5-1 overall), while the Lancers fell to 1-1 (4-6-1 overall).

"Just a matter of sticking to our system in an emotional game," said Fraser coach Don Krussman of the physical battle."

The Ramblers led only 2-1 with less than three minutes left but got goals from Jackson Gray with 2:42 remaining, which came right off a face-off and a 5-on-3 power-play goal from J.R. Dellies with 57 seconds left to clinch the contest. Dellies walked out of the left corner and slid a shot past

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Lancers' goalie Brett Blum.

Killian Hannan and Alex Behnke also scored for Fraser.

Goalie Robert Goemaere made several outstanding saves in the third period, including a spectacular rebound stop about 20 seconds after Gray's goal. He also denied Mas Raska less than five minutes into the third period as Raska flew down the right wing and tried to put one past Goemaere low on the short side, but Goemaere kicked it in to the corner.

"Their goalie made a couple of game-saving saves," said L'Anse Creuse coach Wayne Tollon.

Gary Hardy got the Lancers' only goal.

Hardy's power-play goal put

the Lancers on the board with 34 seconds left in the second period when he drilled in a one-timer from the slot to cut the Ramblers' lead to 2-1.

Behnke made it 2-0, 4:48 into the middle period when he backhanded in a loose puck from Blum's right.

L'Anse Creuse had a chance to tie the game 1-1 about 10 second into the second period after a turnover just outside the Fraser blue line gave Hunter Willette a clean break in off the right wing. But he whistled a shot wide.

Hannan opened the scoring with 8:27 left in the first period when he beat Blum high with a wrist shot from the high slot to give Fraser a 1-0 lead.

The break between the second and third periods was longer

than usual because while the Zamboni was resurfacing the ice in Great Lakes Sports City's Michigan Rink, one of the sections of glass was dislodged and shattered on the ice. The shattered pieces of glass then had to be picked up and a new section of glass put into place before the Zamboni could complete the resurfacing.

MAC WHITE DIVISION ANCHOR BAY 2, L'ANSE CREUSE NORTH 1: If the LCN Crusaders screamed "We were Robbed!" they would have been right as Rob Vavro and Mitch Eitel scored for the winning Tars. Adam Koleski collected an assist.

Anchor Bay goalie Jeff Wilsons made 20 saves for the win. Coach Mel Rettell's Tars (3-3, 7-5) take on Romeo at Glacier Pointe Wednesday.



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Eisenhower's Frank Saputo shoots the puck down the ice against St. Clair. The Eagles won 3-1 and are 10-2-1 (4-0-1 in MAC Red).