

# Sports

## Win keeps playoff hopes alive for Thunderbirds

SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Thunderbirds (30-35-3-2) snapped their six-game slide with a 4-2 comeback win over the Providence Bruins (40-20-6-3) on Sunday afternoon inside a sold-out MassMutual Center, the 19th such crowd this season.

The afternoon started rocky, as Patrick Brown connected on a forehand from the slot area on the day's first shot to give Providence a 1-0 lead 46 seconds into the contest.

T-Birds starting goaltender Colten Ellis put himself into a pickle at 9:24 of the first when he mishandled a puck to the side of his net. After a pair of Bruins dislodged it, the third man on the attack, rookie Jaxon

Nelson, deked to the backhand to beat Ellis and give Providence a 2-0 advantage. It was Nelson's first professional goal.

Brandon Bussi drew the net for the Bruins, and after shutting out the T-Birds on March 10, he had his sights on duplicating the feat on Sunday, holding the T-Birds off the board past the midpoint of regulation.

With their backs against the wall, the T-Birds leaned on their Man of the Year to jumpstart the squad. Off a draw at 13:08 of the middle stanza, Drew Callin pushed past his opponent to hack a shot toward Bussi's crease. The normally stout net-minder sprung a leak this time as the puck sneaked under his legs to get Springfield on

the board, cutting the lead to 2-1.

Following matching minors and another penalty to the Bruins, Springfield's man advantage earned a 4-on-3 opportunity, and the AHL's leading goal scorer made his presence known as Adam Gaudette rifled a one-time snapper over Bussi's glove at 14:40, tying the score off a perfect cross-ice setup by Jakub Vrana.

Special teams proved paramount for Springfield, as the penalty kill went a perfect 5-for-5, including two clutch successes in the final period. Gaudette provided more heroics at 10:32 of the third when he skated in on the right wing on a 2-on-1 and blistered a wrist shot over Bussi's

blocker to give the T-Birds a 3-2 lead on his 44th goal of the season. The two-goal day for Gaudette was his 12th such game this season.

With Providence clamoring for an equalizer in the final minute, Callin, rookie Dylan Peterson, and Kean Washkurak gutted out a defensive zone sequence to clear their end. Washkurak capped things off with an empty-netter from the red line to give the T-Birds the victory.

The T-Birds look to earn a second straight win over the Bruins when they travel to Providence for a rematch on Friday night at the Amica Mutual Pavilion at 7:05 p.m.

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"Today's game was very exciting," said Agawam head coach Joe Heney. "It was nice to see the kids battle back in the fourth period. No matter what the score is we're always going to play as hard as we can. That's something that we take tremendous pride in."

Jorgensen, who netted a game-high five goals in the non-league match, scored a game-winning goal for the first time in a varsity game. The five goals was also a career high for him. He scored five goals in a pair of victories against Chicopee Comp and Northampton a year ago.

The Brownies (2-1) won the face-off at the start of the four-minute sudden-victory overtime period, and they were able to keep possession of the ball.

About 30 seconds before Jorgensen ended the match, Agawam had a very good scoring opportunity. Senior captain Nicholas Ugolini fired a shot at Tantasqua senior

goalie Sam Panek (13 saves), who was able to deflect it away. The Brownies quickly regained possession of the ball and that's when Jorgensen scored the game-winning goal.

"We were able to recover the ball first before it got to the end line," said Jorgensen, who was also a member of the Brownies boys' varsity basketball team this past winter. "Then I received a pass from one of my teammates before firing a shot into the net. It just felt great because my whole team was counting on me to score a goal."

The Warriors, who made the trip to Western Mass. with a 2-0 record, suffered their first loss of the regular season.

"Agawam played a little bit better than we did today," said Tantasqua head coach James Putney. "We like to play fast and score a lot of goals, but they slowed the game down and controlled possession more. We do have a lot of potential and we're still trying to put the pieces together."

The visitors from Fiskdale took a 1-0 lead 22 seconds into the opening period following a goal by senior Aiden Way. Sophomore Michalak Fenton was credited with the assist.

Then back-to-back goals by sophomore Brayden Federico and Jorgensen gave the home team the lead for the first time.

Way scored another goal with 3:05 remaining in the first period tying the score at 2-2.

Less than two minutes into the second period, Jorgensen scored his second goal which gave the lead back to the Brownies.

Following an unassisted goal by sophomore Zach Godek, the Warriors retook lead when senior Trevor Harris fired a shot into the net past Agawam sophomore goalie Jordin Agosto (12 saves) with 6:40 left in the second period.

Neither team scored during the final six minutes of the first half and the Warriors held a slim 4-3 halftime advantage.

With 7:53 left in the third period, Godek scored his second goal, which was unassisted.

A little more than a minute later, the Brownies cut their deficit to 5-4 following a Jorgenson goal. That goal was assisted by Federico, who entered the match with a team leading with five goals and four assists.

Two more goals by seniors Pat Dunn and Landon Rice helped the Warriors build a 7-4 lead during the first six minutes of the final period.

The Brownies battled back with goals from sophomore Casey Thomas, sophomore Jaden Holloway, and Jorgensen, which sent the contest into overtime.

Jorgensen, who had scored a total of four goals in the Brownies first two games of the regular season, became the hero a little more than two minutes later.

"Riley is a great kid," Heney said. "I'm very happy that he scored the game-winning goal in overtime."

## Public Notices

### LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL

The Agawam City Council will conduct a public hearing on **Monday, May 6, 2024, at 7:00pm** on TR-2024-29 the Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2025 to Fiscal Year 2029 as submitted to the City Council by the Mayor on April 11, 2024.

The Capital Improvement Program is a prioritized plan of proposed capital improvements over the next five fiscal years. A capital improvement is a project or undertaking which provides for the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, renovation or replacement of a public building or facility; an addition to a public building or facility; the purchase of land, buildings or facilities for a public purpose; or a long range development study.

TR-2024-29 which is the Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2025 to Fiscal Year 2029 is available for public inspection on the Town of Agawam website ([www.agawam.ma.us](http://www.agawam.ma.us)) or by emailing the office of the City Clerk for an electronic copy at [vgioscia@agawam.ma.us](mailto:vgioscia@agawam.ma.us).

BY ORDER OF:

Rosemary Sandlin,  
President

Agawam City Council  
04/18, 04/25/2024

Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Hampden Probate and  
Family Court  
50 State Street  
Springfield, MA 01103

Docket No. HD24P0733GD

In the matter of:  
**Barbara Jean Mitchell**  
Of: **Feeding Hills, MA**  
**RESPONDENT**

**Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Department Of Developmental Serv of Springfield, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Barbara Jean Mitchell** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

**Jimmie F. Mitchell of Springfield, MA**  
**Penny Mitchell of Springfield, MA**

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **04/30/2024**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the

written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.**

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 03, 2024

**Rosemary A. Saccomani**  
Register of Probate  
04/18/2024

Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Hampden Probate and  
Family Court  
50 State Street  
Springfield, MA 01103  
(413)748-7758  
Docket No. HD24C0105CA  
In the matter of:  
**Mackenzie Elizabeth**  
**Surreira**  
CITATION ON PETITION  
TO CHANGE NAME

A **Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **Mackenzie Elizabeth of Agawam, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

**Corey David Surreira**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/10/2024.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: April 12, 2024

**Rosemary A Saccomani**  
Register of Probate  
04/18/2024

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Danielson, CT 06239  
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