

Twin wins for Lightning

LIGHTNING struck twice at the weekend and moved up to second place.

MK have conceded just eight goals in their four league games and went in to their double fixture with Swindon Wildcats full of confidence.

This season Nick Poole's side have only lost once – a cup match against Chelmsford – and they would be topping the table had Bracknell Bees not played two extra matches.

Once again Lightning were fast starters in the first game against the Wildcats and it took five minutes to get the scoring started.

Import Ales Parez was first on the sheet and Lightning followed three minutes later.

Lightning's dominance in the first period was then rewarded when Ross Bowers added the third to give them a healthy lead going into the second.

The Wildcats were a good match in the next spell with end to end icing throughout, but still Lightning were the only team to add to the scoreline with Gary Clarke and Adam Carr scoring within a minute of each other.



Above: MoM Nick Poole. Right: Greg Randall turns after scoring



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Carr then added his second in the first minute of the final period before Lightning eased off which allowed Erik Bochna to pull one back for the Wildcats.

Player-coach Poole picked up the man of the match accolade in the 6-1 win.

Sunday's meeting between the pair was somewhat quieter. Both teams opted for the defensive game plan, no surprise considering Swindon had conceded six just a day earlier.

The Wildcats appeared more composed in the second game, but Lightning still managed to break the deadlock after ten minutes with Greg Randall's strike.

After 25 minutes with no score Matt Towalski doubled Lightning's lead before Ciaran Long grabbed one back.

■ On Saturday Lightning take on Bracknell Bees at Planet Ice, face-off 7pm, before travelling to Chelmsford on Sunday for their cup fixture. Face-off 6.30pm.