

**BROOKLYN, New York** – Corey Kennedy and Steven Esposito both registered three points and goalie Gabe Grunwald stopped 28 shots as the New York Bobcats defeated the Hartford Jr. Wolfpack, 6-2, on Wednesday night in Eastern Hockey League action at the Aviator Sports and Events Center.

The Bobcats stormed out to a 3-0 lead in the first period after getting some timely saves by Grunwald earlier in the frame. Kennedy put the Bobcats up 1-0 on his fifth of the season at the 11:34 mark, and the lead was quickly added on after Sean Kacerosky netted a power play tally 2:16 later. Lucas Brown joined in with his 10<sup>th</sup> goal of the year to close out the period for the Bobcats.

New York added to their lead halfway through the second period on Matt Ward's second goal of the season, which led to Hartford goaltender Spencer Landry's early exit, as he was pulled after he allowed all four goals on 26 shots. Landry was replaced by Scott Brown in the Jr. Wolfpack net.

Esposito lifted the Bobcats to a commanding 5-0 lead as he beat Brown just nine seconds into the third period on his sixth of the season.

Grunwald, who is an EHL All-Star this season, missed out on his first EHL shutout as Ryan Kangas snapped one over his shoulder to put the Wolfpack on the board midway through the final period. Both teams traded goals to close out the contest as New York skated off the ice with the victory.

Grunwald picked up his sixth win of the season, while Landry was handed the loss for Hartford.

"We were pleased with the work ethic and compete level of our team. We battled hard and competed for every loose puck. Not to be ignored was the effort of our goaltender Gabe Grunwald who was spectacular last night especially in the second period, said general manager and assistant coach, Craig Doremus.

"We now move on and prepare to take on a very tough Ct. Oilers squad who sits atop our division."

New York hits the road this Thursday night for matchup against the Connecticut Oilers at the SoNo Ice House. Puck drop is scheduled for 8:30 PM and can be watched live via [FastHockey.com](http://FastHockey.com)!

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