



Approximately 60 members of the Georgetown and Acton skating clubs took part in the inaugural Halton Hills Interclub figure skating competition this past weekend at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex, including Georgetown's Reka Somogyi (above). Somogyi earned the gold medal in the Intermediate Elements B category, placed second in two other events and picked up a bronze in another. For results from the Interclub competition visit www.theifp.ca

Photo by Jon Borgstrom

Raiders clash with IceHawks

Finishing up the regular season with five straight wins and 11 victories in their last 14 starts, the Georgetown Raiders have surged up the Ontario Junior Hockey League standings and will take on the Milton IceHawks in the opening round of playoffs.

The third-seeded Raiders will host the sixth-ranked IceHawks tonight (Thursday) at the Alcott Arena at 7:30 p.m., with game two Friday in Milton, also at 7:30 p.m.

Not since the Raiders last won the league championship in 2005 have Georgetown and Milton met in the post-season.

The 29-21-3 IceHawks took the season series with the 31-20-2 Raiders 3-1-0 and are coached by former Raider assistant bench boss Dan Currie.

Both squads are backstopped

by 16-year-old netminders, with Georgetown's Michael McNiven being named an OJHL First Team All-Prospect and Milton's Ben Blacker earning Second Team All-Prospect status.

Game three of the series will be played Wednesday, March 5 at the Alcott Arena beginning at 8 p.m.

An 8-2 dismantling of a strong Cobourg Cougars' squad at the Alcott Arena Saturday night completed an excellent run for Georgetown in the last month of the campaign, leapfrogging past Milton, St. Michael's and North York to place third in the conference and

earn home-ice advantage in the opening round of playoffs.

Scoring for Georgetown Saturday were call-up Adam Mascherin (2), Gavin Shantz, Jordan Brown, Scott Emerson, Anthony Marra, Brendan Jacome and John Adams.

Raiders' centre Steve Hladin, who finished second in league scoring with 38 goals and 45 assists in 53 games this season, was named an OJHL First Team All-Star this week. Local resident Alex D'Oliveira, a defenceman with Cobourg, earned Second Team All-Star honours after a 48-point campaign for the Cougars.

Thunder squads in hunt for OMHA title

Four Halton Hills Thunder teams have reached the semifinals of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association playdowns as the minor midget AAs and three additional entry rep teams are in the chase for a championship.

The Castle Building Centres minor midgets, coached by Gary McFadyen, skated to a 4-4 tie in Stoney Creek Tuesday night with the Warriors in game one of their best-of-5 final-four showdown.

Game two of the series will be played Sunday on the Mold-Masters SportsPlex B pad starting at 8:45 p.m.

In other action, the Halton Hills novice AE Thunder lost its first game of the season Monday to rival Milton as the visiting Winterhawks won 5-3 in game one of their best-of-5 semifinal matchup. The Thunder had a 34-0-2 league record prior to that defeat.

Game two will be played tonight (Thursday) in Milton, with game three Monday in Georgetown at 6:30 p.m.

The atom AE Thunder was on an eight-game win streak heading into the opening game of the OMHA best-of-5 semi Wednesday night in Niagara Falls against the Canucks.

Game two will take place Saturday at the Alcott Arena beginning at 3 p.m.

A 5-1 victory in Guelph on Sunday over the Gryphons in game one of their best-of-5 OMHA semifinal series was the seventh consecutive win for the bantam AE Thunder in the playoffs. Alec MacCallum (2), Justin Lee, Tanner Toste and Cameron Hampton had the goals and goalie Andrew Pietras was superb in the win.

Game two is in Georgetown tonight (Thursday) with a 9 p.m. puck drop.



Olympian efforts at HHCS

Students and staff at Halton Hills Christian School celebrated the Winter Olympics in Sochi with some outdoor and indoor sporting events that were organized by the School Life leadership team. Above, James Ferris hauls classmate Marco Lagunes along for the ride during the luge relay competition.

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