

# Local men's netters win their summer season opener

If the rest of the season is as good as the start, Georgetown's only mens basketball team will end up as prime contenders for the Etobicoke Summer League championship.

In their opening game Thursday night at Martingrove Collegiate, the Braves beat a team from Vincent Massey High School students, the Bruins, by a score of 71-35.

The Georgetown team consists of ten players: Ted Darcy and Mark Reis at centre, Bruce 'Pops' Cartwright, Rick Gourlie, Gerry 'Reggie' Neil and Paul Vanoorschot as forwards and Fred Harris, Colin Foster, Steve Foster and Steve Frost as guards.

The Bruins had two players six feet seven (inches tall) but they were effectively controlled by the speed and experience of the Braves shorter front line.

The local team managed to make only one foul shot out of 18 in the game. Shooting like that could very well cost the team victories in the future.

The whole team played an exceptional game on defense with special mention going to the forward line of Darcy, Reis, Vanoorschot and Gourlie, for excellent rebounding on the boards which allowed the team to control the game.

### PAST SUCCESS

"Past successes for the Georgetown entry have hinged on the strong defensive play of all members of the team," player-coach Fred Harris told The Herald. "A well balanced attack is very important. You can't always depend on the forward line to carry you through."

The team has seen changes in its roster over the years, yet has maintained a high calibre of play.

Some former members who have contributed greatly to the team in the past years are Dave Foster and the Brotherton boys, Tim and Tom. All have since moved away but were an integral component of past teams.

With the exception of Paul Vanoorschot the team's

members were coached by former GDHS physed teacher Dan Patterson. Vanoorschot is a product of the Milton high school system and was a member of the all-Ontario junior basketball team last year and is ticketed for the University of Wat-

erloo's varsity team next season.

Until Patterson arrived in Georgetown the basketball program was mediocre at best. His teams benefitted from his experience in international competition as a

member of the Olympic basketball team in Mexico in 1968.

The Etobicoke league is run year-round with the summer league being recognized as one of the best of its kind in Ontario.



The spring rugby season got off to an exhibition start Monday at GDHS, as the junior team hosted Burlington Nelson. Here a Nelson player gets ready to pick up the ball while the Rebels in white prepare to pounce on him. Moments later the Nelson player fell to the ground under a heap of Georgetown attackers.

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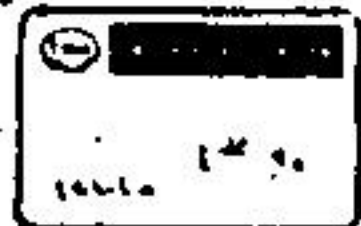
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