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Raiders top Petrolia, extend unbeaten string to five

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 Don't look now, but the Georgetown Raiders are on a bit of a tear.
 Since they dropped their Senior 'A' Hockey League opener three weeks ago, 6-4, to the Cambridge Hornets, the Raiders have gone unbeaten in five starts, including four wins.
 This week the locals were a perfect three-for-three, stomping all over Barrie 11-2, before returning to Gordon Alcott Arena Friday night for a hard-fought 5-3 decision over powerful Petrolia. Sunday night in Woodstock, the Raiders battled out a 7-3 count over a club that is supposed to be one of the league's weak sisters.
 Friday night at home, the Raiders recovered from a shaky second period to dominate the visiting Squires in the third session, pelting 21 shots at Petrolia goaltender Jerry Fink for a pair of goals to snap a 3-3 deadlock.
 Raider center Juri Kudrasovs set up two first-period goals, by Ron Twiss and Paul Gallagher, as the home side took a comfortable

2-0 lead into the dressing room.
 Jim Mathews and Steve Marr pulled the Squires even in the second stanza, but Gallagher notched his second of the night with 1:34 left in the period to restore the Raider lead.
 Petrolia's Steve Salter beat Raider goaltender Doug Dragasevich on the next rush down the ice to send the teams into the change rooms tied at 3-3 after two complete sessions.



It took winger Gary McFadyen just 90 seconds to pop the winner in the third period, with assists going to Doug Fry and Gallagher. Fry and Gallagher were the game's first and second stars, respectively.
 Fry was standing on top of Petrolia goalen-

der Jerry Fink later in the period when Gallagher punched home the rebound of a John Gibb drive to nail it shut for the home team.
 Coach Gerry Ingils was pleased, and admittedly a little surprised, that his troops were able to mount such a surge in the third period.
 "We sort of slowed it up after we got ahead 2-0, and we stopped forcing the play," Ingils noted. "It cost us in the second period. The thing is, though, some of our guys are still out of shape. They have business and family commitments, and they can't make all the practices."
 Sunday night in Woodstock, the Raiders exploded for three second-period goals on the way to a 6-2 lead, eventually taking a 7-3 count.
 Tim Ampleford scored the winning goal on a power play at the 14:59 mark of the second session, from Kudrasovs and John Saunders. The fleet center then counted an insurance marker, when he scored

on a penalty shot at the 12:01 mark of the third



period.
 Fry was the biggest Raider threat on the night, collecting a pair of goals and two assists. Gallagher, Dave Hill

and Twiss all netted singles to round out the Raider scoring.
 Wednesday night in Barrie, it was the Marty McNally show, as the scrappy winger lit the lamp four times. Center Fry recorded seven assists on the night.
 McFadyen and Hill both counted a pair of

goals for the Raiders, while Tim Turner, John Gibb and Kudrasovs all fired single markers.

Amazingly, the Raiders were out-shot in this contest. Dragasevich faced some 44 shots in

the Raider net, while his mates directed 43 blasts at Barrie goaltender Mike Laycock.

Petrolia Squires forward Steve Marr fired the puck past Raider goaltender Doug Dragasevich during second period action Friday night. Marr beat Dragasevich for a goal, and he set up two others, but it wasn't enough as the Raiders prevailed, 5-3.
 (Herald photo by Gerry Timbers)



PLAYING THE FIELD

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What makes these guys tick?

You talk about the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat. Could you believe that scene at the end of the New York City marathon on Sunday, where victorious Rod Dixon raised his arms to the heavens in triumph, while a beaten, exhausted Geoff Smith collapsed on the pavement directly behind him?
 Now, you don't have to be an avid sports fan to appreciate an emotionally-packed scene like that. And you aren't necessarily an overly 'deep' person if you start wondering, after witnessing those two men push themselves to inhuman limits in pursuit of personal achievement, what makes a marathoner tick?

I didn't have to look far for answers. Heaven knows there are enough marathoners right here in our own community. Georgetown is fast becoming 'Runtown, Ontario.'

ONCE A HACKER:
 Ib Olsen, a 37-year-old tool and die maker, recently ran the Miller Marathon in Toronto for the third consecutive year. There was a time, not so long ago, when Olsen was a hacker, like I am. He ran four or five miles every day just to keep in shape and his size 30 jeans.

Something clicked inside Olsen, however. Something that drove him to train like a man possessed, pounding the pavement for up to 60 miles per week, and sometimes for runs of 20 miles or more.

"I guess it's the challenge," Olsen said this week. "You run a few 10-kilometer and 20-kilometer races, and soon you want to extend your limits. You want to see if you can do it."

The initial time, the goal is just to finish the race. Alive. It becomes an obsession, Olsen admits, and there are few sacrifices that the marathoner wouldn't make to finish what has become a personal quest by race day.

"I like to run in the daylight, right after work, and that interferes with my family life," Olsen says. "Mealtimes were often postponed while I was training, and quite often I just wasn't there. It takes quite a bit of understanding from your wife."

Local dentist Brian Markham, a survivor of two marathons this year, presented some concrete ideas about what it was in him that triggered the madness - and what it could be in others.

JUST ONE BODY
 "The initial thing is a realization, that you have just one body in this life to play with, so you had better look after it," Dr. Markham said. "A certain type of person tends to regiment his life, anyway. A marathoner will set up his timetable, then stick to it."

Dr. Markham admits a personal curiosity about the inner workings of the long-distance runner. He believes he may have a composite personality sketch prepared.

"They tend to be highly-educated, and work in well-paying jobs," Dr. Markham said. "They usually work in positions of responsibility, and face a high degree of stress. Running is good stress relief for them."

"A laborer would have a physical release from that stress in his job. I find running after work a way to get rid of my stress."

Because it is their nature, both Olsen and Dr. Markham are looking to the next challenge. Both men believe they are on the threshold of what I feel is truly an incredible mark in life. They both vow they will run a sub-three hour race the next time out. Olsen's most recent time was 3:17:00. Markham is a few seconds faster.

"I always say I'm going to take it easy, that there are things to do around the house," Olsen admits. "I think I'll probably run two marathons next year."

Centennial Chargers dominate meet sweep four cross-country crowns

The Centennial Chargers dominated the Halton cross-country championships last Wednesday at Bronte Creek Conservation

Area near Oakville, winning four of four divisional crowns.
 The individual star of the meet was Charger runner Bob Donker, who

at age 11, was running against 13 and 14-year-olds in the senior competition. Donker still came first in fine fashion, running away from the field at the finish.

Behind Donker, Brent Brasz finished third, Don Crusae fifth, David Harris seventh and Paul Tufford 10th, as the Centennial senior boys romped to a first-place finish.

team competition at the Haltons. Holly Hewitt's fourth-place run and Tara Burroughs in fifth led the charge. Trina Wasylenko was right behind those girls in the eighth position, and Kara-Lynn Palmer was ninth.

Local runners perform well

Georgetown schools Holy Cross and St. Francis of Assisi were both represented at the Halton Separate School Cross-Country Championships on Saturday at Burlington's La Salle Park, and runners from both institutions turned in some impressive performances.

ahead of teammates Leanne McGivern (fifth) and Bridget McCauley (15th).
 Holy Cross got a top effort from midget runner Scott Cunningham, who was second-best among a field of about 40. Teammate Cahir Blake was two spots behind Cunningham, in fourth.

St. Francis mite Ryan Kurnell romped to a seventh overall, while Michael Rossett of Holy Cross was 10th in the same competition.
 Atom Mark Lorito ran eighth overall for St. Francis, while teammates Rosanne McGuinness and Jana DiGenova were sixth and eighth respectively in their competition.
 St. Francis tyke Kevin Ewen ran 17th in his race.

With Donker out of the junior competition, Chargers Eddy Powers and Michael Melville were able to come one-two at the front of the pack. Tim Parker ran 10th for Centennial, with Ryan Robinson and Doug Daniel also making the top 20.
 Nancy Cocks and Jennifer Arnold raced second and third respectively in the junior girls competition. Anna Toone was 10th, and Kelly Trant 20th. Both the junior guys and gals were the best teams in their divisions.
 The Centennial intermediate girls who ran third overall at the North Halton finals last week, surprised everybody by winning their

intermediate boys were also topped, sparked by Glenn Mulder's second-place effort. Steven Eastwood was third overall in the intermediate competition, and Cam Herman was sixth.
 The only individual squad that didn't take top honors for the Chargers were the bantam boys, who still managed to parlay Paul Lalonde's second-place finish and Steven Brown's ninth into a third place in the team standings.
 The Charger bantam girls were tops, though, led by Paula Rand, who was fifth overall. Kathryn Tannoock was eighth, Jane McEwen ninth, and Kimberly Barr finished 16th.



These are the National Hockey League Orion Oldtimers that will thrill an expected crowd of around 1,000 people at Gordon Alcott Arena tomorrow night. They are (front row, left to right) Harry Howell, Dean Prentice, Ron Ellis, Gord Neilson, Don Sheardown, Chuck Senger, Keith McCreary, Andy Bathgate and Sid Smith. (Back row, left to right) Jim McCaig, Rene Robert, Syl Apps, Dave Burrows, Wayne Wood, Bob Wall, Rod Selling, John Mizuk, Ron Stackhouse and Dr. David Millman.

Old NHLers in town

Georgetown hockey fans will get a treat tomorrow night, when the National Hockey League Orion Oldtimers invade Gordon Alcott Arena to battle the Senior 'A' Raiders.
 The NHL Oldtimers roster is filled with names hockey fans will remember from recent seasons - names like Ron Ellis, Keith

McCreary, Andy Bathgate, Rene Robert, Syl Apps, Dave Burrows and Rod Selling.
 Raider general manager Dave Kentner likes to point out that the Oldtimers, who have visited Georgetown on two earlier occasions, will likely draw in excess of 1,000 fans.
 "A lot of adults like to see their heroes of days

gone by," Kentner said. "The Oldtimers have really taken off as an attraction since that 'The Original Six' series began on television."
 For former NHLers Peter Sturgeon and Brent Mecke, the game is an opportunity for them to renew some old friendships, or possibly some old rivalries.
 The NHL goaltender,

former Detroit Red Wing Wayne Wood, was a member of the 1982 Intermediate 'A' Raiders that drove to the national title and the Hardy Cup.
 "We'd like to show Wayne how we appreciate what he's done for the Raider organization by pumping as many goals by him as we possibly can," Kentner

chuckled.
 For some of the younger members of the Raiders, the game is a rare chance to play that one time against their childhood heroes.
 "Our younger guys look at Andy Bathgate with the same awe and respect as any fan would," Kentner assured. "Just to meet him is quite the thing."

Sports in brief

Rebels win

The Georgetown Rebels junior boys volleyball team defeated Acton on Thursday.
 The score was 15-13 the first game, 15-3 the second game and 15-13 the third game.
 Coach Bob McKay said that this was the best game the team has played so far this year. Apparently the serving pattern was causing the team some difficulty in the past but during this game they dominated the serving 93 per cent.
 Outstanding players included Pat Brand and Louis DePaoli.
 The team hosted an exhibition game against Morning Star from Peel on Thursday, but were defeated 15-4.

Juvies win

The Georgetown Shaw Trophies-DRG Stationery juveniles had an easy time of it in Tri-County Hockey League action on Saturday, as they trounced Milton, 8-0.
 Glen Baker decided the issue almost singlehandedly, scoring the first three Georgetown goals. He hit for a power play marker in the first period, as the locals jumped in front 1-0, then added two more, including a second power play counter, as Georgetown built a 3-0 lead.
 Greg Robertson then added a pair of tallies to up the count to 5-0. Unassisted efforts by Brian Stone, John Hodgson and Mike Stone rounded out the Georgetown scoring. Howie Oram and Scott Taggart both collected a pair of assists, while Mark Snow and George Osborne tallied single helpers.

Reb gals win

The GDHS Rebel girls field hockey team played two tournaments within the last week. One was a tournament on Saturday, at Shell Park, the other on Thursday at Lord Elgin.
 The senior team came out victorious in four of five games on Thursday. The fifth game was tied 0-0. The other scores were 1-0, 2-0, 3-0, and 1-0.
 Goals were scored by Lynn Terashita, Connie Powers, Ann Hunt, and Barb Mackenzie.
 The 'B' team was defeated in all five games on Saturday, Thursday when they played Lord Elgin, they won 1-0.
 The 'A' team won the Haltons and are going to play in the Peel-Haltons on Thursday at Lester B. Pearson High School in Burlington.

Gridders lose

The GDHS football Rebels were defeated Thursday by Erindale Secondary School, who hosted the game.
 Erindale won with a score of 15-6. Coaches Rye and Ingles say that Erindale is a top team and this contributed to our defeat.
 Coach Rye feels the Rebels "put forth a really good effort and are steadily improving".
 Pete Izzo caught a pass for a 60-yard run which was their touchdown. Mark Armstrong, Tim Davis and Gary Lens were outstanding on defence for the Rebels.
 The team plays another game on Wednesday against J.A. Turner of Brampton.

Speedy locals

Six Georgetown runners helped Brampton's Cardinal Leger High School take the top honors at the Henry Carr Invitational Cross-Country Meet, at Boyd Park Conservation Area in Woodbridge on the weekend.
 Joe McGuinness, Brendon Cleary and Greg Clarke took third, fourth and 18th-place respectively in the midget boys race, helping the Brampton separate school team to a second overall in that division.
 Sean Cleary was 13th in his race, running as part of a Leger junior boys team that won its division.
 Midget girls Norina Andrews and Valerie Buck finished sixth and eighth respectively in their race, as Leger took second in that competition.
 Each of the Georgetown runners is a former Holy Cross-Sacre Coeur student.