



JEN IRWIN, of the GDHS Rebels senior girls volleyball team, drives a spike at Bishop Reding Royals defenders during the match last Thursday at GDHS. The Rebels eked out a 15-13, 9-15 and 15-12 win over the Royals and could finish the regular season in first place in East Halton league standings. (Herald photo by Colin Gibson)

Rebels dethrone Royals

First place finish in sight

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Herald Sports Editor

Georgetown District High School Rebels senior girls volleyball team kept alive hope for a first place regular season finish in the Eastern Division of the Halton Senior Girls Volleyball League by nipping a feisty Bishop Reding Royals team 15-13, 9-15 and 15-12 in a match played last Thursday at GDHS.

Bishop Reding Royals entered the Rebels lair in a virtual deadlock with Georgetown for second place in the league's standings but the GDHS win left only the Rebels and Oakville-Trafalgar High School to contest first place honors.

The Rebels hosted OTHS Tuesday afternoon at GDHS, at press time, the results were not available.

Jonathan Allan gains experience

While 18-year-old Jonathan Allan and his partner Janice Morgan didn't skate off with championship laurels at the Canadian Figure Skating Championships held last weekend in Sudbury, the experience should stand the Novice Pairs team in good stead in future competitions.

Allan, of Hornby, a 14-year member of the Georgetown Figure Skating Club and his partner Morgan, of the Barrie Figure Skating Club, placed 13th overall in the Long Program and 14th overall in the Original program in the duos first appearance in the limelight of national competition.

The couple placed fifth overall in the Eastern Canadian Divisionals championships to qualify for the Nationals.

"It was a great learning experience," said Allan, "and I'm sure we will both benefit from the competition."

The couple's immediate plans, in terms of competition, are still in the talking stage but Allan said he and his partner will continue to skate as a team and with one more year of Novice Pairs competition still ahead of them, strive to improve and impress in the highly competitive Pairs category.

The winner would enjoy home court advantage in league playoffs scheduled to get under way this week.

Against the spirited and smaller Royals - the team is composed mainly of junior players - the Rebels never appeared comfortable and couldn't get a flow going to their game until it was almost too late.

Unconverted serves, less than perfect sets and some defensive confusion added to the GDHS woes.

His team's less than cohesive showing didn't impress Rebel head coach Bevin Clark, who held a team meeting immediately after the match.

"Obviously," understated Clark, "we were not on top of our game. Especially in the area of serving. You have to serve well to win and it just wasn't there today. In the second game (won by Milton 15-9) we were successful in only 50 per cent of our serves."

The Rebels looked shaky in their first game 15-13 win and in fact, the game was tied 13-13 before the GDHS squad pulled it out of the bag.

The Royals obviously took encouragement from this and ran up a 13-6 second game lead before settling for the 15-9 win.

The Rebels appeared more settled in the third game and led 7-4 at one point.

The Royals rallied, however, and moved in front 9-7 before Rebel pride took over.

GDHS surged to a 14-9 lead and withstood a Royal rally with the score 14-12 to pull out the final game 15-12 win.

Jen Irwin and Julie Ross were Rebel mainstays in the match that easily could have been decided in Bishop Reding's favor.

The Rebels also took part in a 16-team tournament held at McMaster University in Hamilton over the weekend and placed second in their pool only to be eliminated by Anderson High School, of Scarborough (who placed first in Pool "B") in playoff round action.

Sheril Cave had an outstanding tournament and received her team's Heart and Soul Award for sportsmanship and dedication to her team.

REBEL ROSTER

Coaches: Bevin Clark and Neil Cotton. Players: Kim Collison, Lisa Carter, Jen Irwin, Julie Ross, Anna Toone, Stacey Sproule, Kelly Cotton, Sheril Cave, Jen Arnold, Holly Sones, Carolyn Stewart, Sarah Broughton and Natalie Goldson.

Peewee House

Mike Bahr paces team to triumph

Paced by a five goal performance from Mike Bahr, Carpet Barn roared back to avenge a loss in the previous week's action to subdue Georgetown Rental 13-4 in a Georgetown Minor Hockey Association Peewee House League game Saturday afternoon.

Daryl Stansfield also wanted to erase the previous week's loss from the team's memory bank as he scored four goals and collected two assists in the winning effort.

Keith Tippet, Dwayne Boudreau, Matt Anderson and Dwayne Balanyk rounded out the scoring for Carpet Barn.

Andy Telford had three assists for the winners, Cory Evans, Dave Welburn and Dwayne Balanyk each had two assists, while single helpers went to Keith Tippet, Jeff Hewitt, Jamie Harding, Matt Anderson, Dave Kitchen, Andy Elinesky and Bob Moncton.

Brett Cormier was outstanding for Georgetown Rental, collecting the hat trick. Colin King was the other Georgetown Rental scorer.

David James, Colin King, Gary McNeilly and Robbie Wands picked up assists in the losing cause.

Andy Chymycz had three goals and an assist to lead a rejuvenated Georgetown Firefighters to a 9-6 win over Murray Motors and possession of second place in the league standings in another GMHA Peewee House League game.

Scott Wilson and Gary McLean each scored twice and added an assist for the winners, while Jason Quinn and Dave Doole fired single markers.

Jason Quinn and Todd Walker also chipped in with two assists apiece, while single helpers went to Brady Davies and Louis Letarnac.

Tom Dembie did his best to rally Murray Motors, scoring four goals, including three unassisted efforts.

Jamie Bottomley and Mike Olsen were the other Murray Motors marksmen.

Joel Koeslag had two assists, with D'arcy Boudreau and Bruce Rodgers adding single assists.



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