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Football juniors fall to Raiders

By ROBERT RISK
 Herald Sports Editor

The Georgetown District High School Rebels junior football team is having a tough start to their season this year, losing their third game in a row, due to a 23-8 loss to St. Thomas Aquinas at home Wednesday.

Coach Fred Kotani said this was the closest game for his team so far this year, having trailed 16-8 at one point.

"We could have tied it up with another touchdown and a two-point conversion, just like we did earlier."

The junior team came close to scoring that second major late in the game when Jason Walker made a good grab on a pass from quarterback Ian Sinclair taking it to the Aquinas Raider's one yard line before being knocked out of bounds. Two plays later, however,

the Rebels fumbled a hand-off, which was picked up by the Raiders, who ate the clock to close out the game.

Kotani said he was pleased with the composure his players displayed, drawing few penalties and allowing just two turnovers. He also had praise for a few of his defensive and offensive players who helped keep the visitors honest.

"Scott Hobbs played the first half as quarterback and did a good job. We also use him as a running back from time to time. Brad Cuthbert did very well, taking the ball right up the middle. Ian Cox also played a tough right corner, which got a lot of work against their sweep play."

Kotani said it was Aquinas' sweep that seemed to hurt the junior team the most, earning two touchdowns for the visitors.

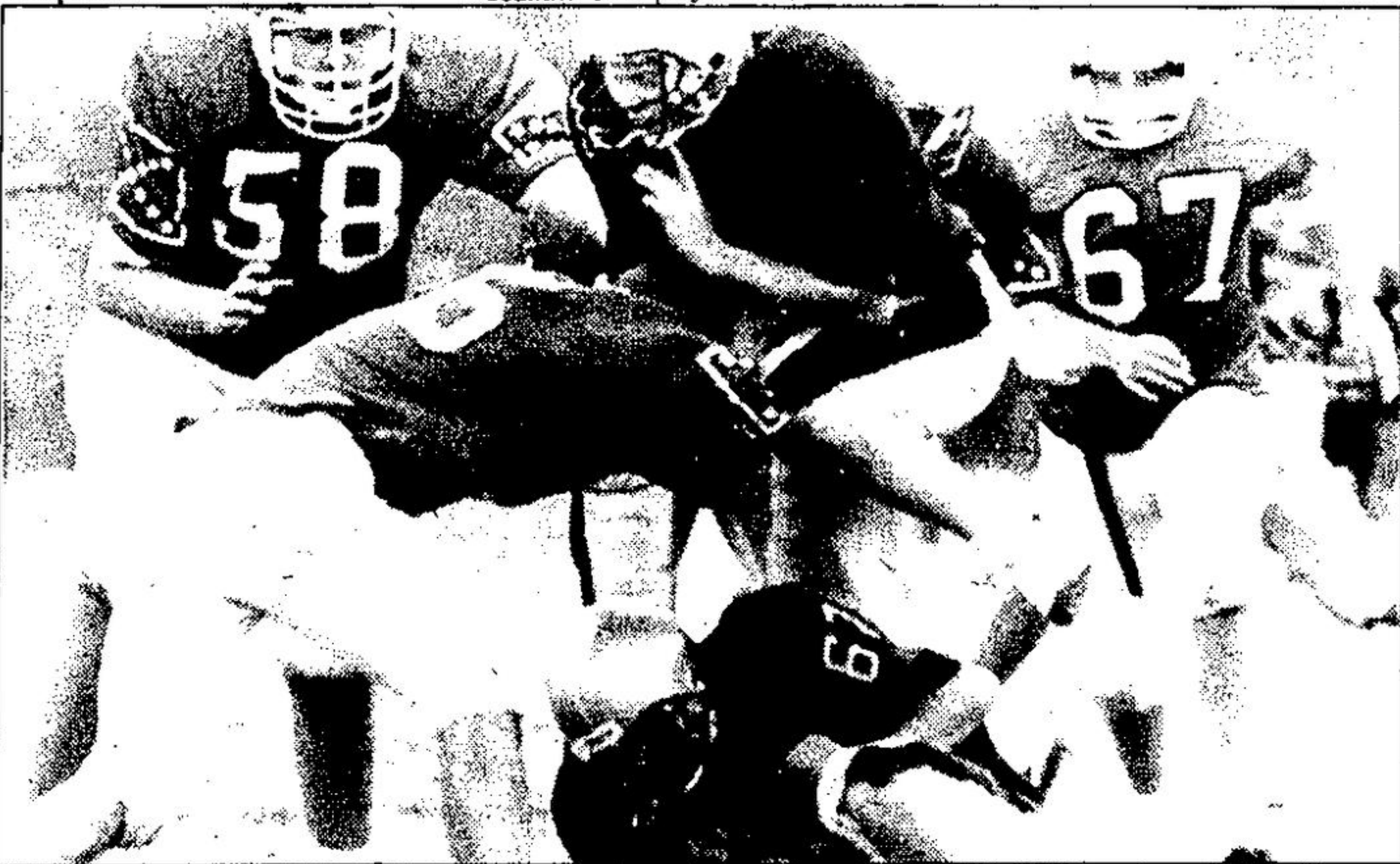
He said one of the reasons Aquinas was successful with plays like that was due to a lack of commitment from some members of the backfield.

"It's tough to stop the other team when you have people playing out of position. I had a talk with them about their attitude about missing practices. If they don't come out, they'll be sitting on the sidelines, whether they're a starter or not."

While Kotani said he was happy with the two sacks Mike Large came up with and the trick conversion, some other changes will be made shortly in order to try and put more points on the board.

"We're going to be working on putting on more of a pass attack, which should make things more exciting for the guys. It'll open things up on the field and make it a little easier to run the ball when we decide to stay on the ground."

The juniors could put that new attack to a test on Wednesday afternoon, when they take on Blakelock on the road. They are hoping to put a stop to their losing streak, which began with a 32-14 defeat to Pearson and a 31-6 loss on Sept. 26 to Milton.



Jim Dimitrou, a player on the Georgetown Rebels junior team, puts a punishing tackle on the advancing St. Thomas Aquinas player during their game on

Wednesday. The Rebels made a two-point conversion on a touchdown, but that was all the scoring they managed, losing 23-8. (Herald photo by Robert Risk)

SPORT SHORTS

Two meetings with Milton

The Georgetown Raiders will be keeping fans in the Halton area busy this weekend, with a pair of games against Milton.

On Friday, the Raiders play in Milton and both teams will play at Alcott the next night at 7:30 p.m.

CENTRAL JUNIOR B
 West Division Standings

TEAM	G	W	L	T	F	A	P
Burlington	3	3	0	0	17	10	6
Brampton	2	2	0	0	17	13	4
Oakville	1	1	0	0	12	1	2
Milton	3	1	2	0	6	16	2
Georgetown	1	0	1	0	1	12	0
Streetsville	3	0	3	0	14	24	0
Peterborough	3	0	3	0	13	25	0

Free curling at Acton club

The Acton Curling Club is offering a free week of curling from Oct. 15-19 between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Experience is not necessary and free instruction will be provided.

Memberships are also available for the new season. For more information, call (519) 853-0110 or (519) 853-2687.

Darts league registration

The Acton Industrial Mixed Darts League is having a registration night on Oct. 10 at the Acton Legion. There is no experience needed in order to join, all people are welcome. The league plays every Wednesday night at the Legion at 7:30 p.m.

People unable to be at the registration are invited to sign the league's sheet on the Legion sports board in advance. For more information, call Sherri at 856-9918 or Sue at 853-3084.

Players needed

The Acton Industrial Contact Hockey League is looking for new players to begin the new season, which gets underway on Oct. 14. Games are played Sunday evenings from 7:00-11:00 p.m. Anyone interested should call Bruce at 853-3983 or Dan at 853-3951 for more information.

Figure skate registration

The Acton Figure Skating Club is accepting applications until Oct. 31 for people interested in joining.

The registrations will be taken at either Lakeview Centre, located at 126 Main St. N., or at MacKenzie and Chapman, located at 33 Main St. S. Late registration fees will be charged.

Volleyball Rebels confound coaches

By ROBERT RISK
 Herald Sports Editor

Both the junior and senior coaches of the Georgetown District High School volleyball teams are having some trouble understanding what makes their teams tick recently.

Russ Linney, coach of the juniors, said words to describe their loss at Pearson on Tuesday failed him.

"It was a total disaster. I don't understand how they played so terribly. We played a mixed squad (starters and secondary players) in the first game and we lost 16-14. With a full starting squad playing the next set, we lost 15-0."

Bob McKay, coach of the senior team, agreed, saying that the juniors seemed to hit a bad streak

in the second game and didn't try to "straighten up" and break out of it.

As for the seniors, McKay was happy to defeat Pearson 16-14 and 17-15, but wasn't too secure about the route his team took to get there.

"We were trailing the first game 11-1 and we came back to win it 16-14. We started better in the second, leading 6-2, but they came back to lead it 13-6 before we managed to win it 17-15."

He said one of the team's main difficulties was Mike Bosman, the setter, who was having eye problems.

"He told me he was alright before we played, but you could tell he wasn't 100 per cent out there ... I'm glad we had him though, since he scored both of the final points in each game to earn us the win."

McKay gave the Pearson team credit for being tough opponents, saying they are his team's closest rival in league standings and close games were expected.

"They are ranked number two in our division, behind us. We're ranked number three out of all the Halton teams, behind Burlington Central and Oakville Trafalgar."

McKay predicted that if the team continues to progress as they have, they have a good chance of taking the championship later this month.

"If we stay within ourselves and don't get carried away, we're going to do very well. Time is a factor. The more we play together, the better the guys will know each other and become even more of a team."



Georgetown Rebel junior volleyball player Martin Sommer sets up a play for his team during a game earlier this season. The juniors had a lot of trouble against Pearson, losing 16-14 and 15-0 on Tuesday. (Herald photo)

Rebel report

In field hockey, the Georgetown senior team lost their first game of the season against M.M. Robinson, dropping the decision 1-0. Previously, their record was two wins, one loss and one tie. The juniors won their game against M.M. Robinson, beating them 1-0.

The next matchup for the junior team is on Wednesday

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