

Raiders experience topsy turvy weekend



Georgetown Raiders continue to pull surprises out of their helmets, right down to the end of regular season play as they defeated league leading Oakville 6-3 Friday and then lost to last place Peterborough at home Saturday by the same score.

Raider coach Gary McFadyen said the scores seemed to be the wrong way around against their opponents, but hard work against Oakville made a difference.

"We played a great game. Everybody was doing their job. With this win, we've shown we can beat everyone in our league."

McFadyen conceded that Oakville having locked up of first place overall and a first round playoff bye before Friday's game may have caused the home team to be a little less "hungry" for a win than usual.

"I think the same thing might have been true for our game against Peterborough. They were a team that didn't have a playoff berth, and we couldn't go up in the standings with a win, so the two points might not have meant as much to the team."

In Oakville Friday, Raiders trailed 1-0 until Corey Ames was set up by John Williamson and Matt Rudnicki 20 seconds after the home team had taken the lead on a shorthanded goal.

At 3:40 of the second, Dan Fournel gave Raiders the lead for good when he took a pass from Bill McDonald and Rob Doucette on the powerplay and put it past

the Oakville netminder.

Marty Savoy put Raiders up 3-1 when he scored an unassisted marker at 14:28. Oakville came back with another shorthanded effort to draw within one before the end of the middle period.

McFadyen said the shorthanded goals being scored against his team are something Raiders must avoid in the playoffs, especially against Brampton. Georgetown allowed three in both Oakville and Peterborough.

"They're a team that loves to get in shootouts, scoring nine or 10 goals. We have trouble getting six or more, so we really have to tighten up defensively and not play their game."

Ames opened up the third period in Oakville with a goal from Williamson and Rudnicki at 2:10. Oakville got their third shor-

thanded goal midway through the period before Williamson scored at 19:47 into an empty net for a 6-3 final.

In Saturday's loss, Raiders out-shot Peterborough 35-23, but still lost 6-3. Ames had a hand in scoring during this game, getting an assist along with Charlie Humber, setting up Rob Doucette to draw to 2-1 before the end of the opening period.

Down 3-1 in the second Bill McDonald hooked up with Mike Wilson in the second period, but two Peterborough shorthanded goals kept Raiders back 4-2.

In the third, Petes opened with a shorthanded goal, getting a powerplay marker as well. Charlie Humber scored from John Ventresca and Scott Humber, but it wasn't enough as Raiders lost 6-3.

Georgetown opened its playoff series in Brampton last night (Tuesday) but results were unavailable at press time. Raiders play on the road Thursday before returning to play game three of the best of five series on Friday, starting at 7:30 p.m. at Alcott Arena. If necessary game four will be at Alcott Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Game five is on Feb. 19 in Brampton.

CENTRAL JUNIOR B					
West Division Standings					
TEAM	GP	W	L	T	Pts.
Oakville	43	25	8	9	59
Milton	43	25	10	7	57
Brampton	43	24	15	3	51
Burlington	43	23	16	4	48
Stratford	43	20	17	5	45
Georgetown	43	12	28	1	25
Peterborough	43	4	37	1	9

Friday's Results
 Georgetown 6, Oakville 3
 Saturday's Results
 Oakville 3, Burlington 3
 Peterborough 6, Georgetown 3

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Rebel volleyball teams begin playoffs in first

All three Georgetown District High School volleyball teams stand as the top contenders for Halton Secondary School championships in each of their divisions as playoffs began yesterday.

Midget Rebel volleyball team won two of the four tournaments during the season, giving them an advantage over Acton (one win), Milton (one win) and Bishop Reding. The midgets played their championship tournament at Acton Tuesday, but results were unavailable at press time.

Junior Rebel team was tied finished with the same 9-1 record as M.M. Robinson, but were given first place since they had beaten Robinson in more of their head to head sets this season.

On Tuesday, Feb. 19, juniors will host the winners of Acton and Bishop Reding, who play today in Milton.

Georgetown's senior team also finished in first place, tied 9-1 with Bishop Reding. GDHS was awarded first because they had outscored Reding in their matches this year.

Rebel swim team is preparing for the Halton swimming championships at the Etobicoke Olympium on Thursday. Tonight, the

seniors are being honored for last year's third place finish in the Ontario championships at the Town of Halton Hills Awards Evening at the Civic Centre.

Rebel junior and senior basketball teams finished out of playoff contention this year. However, midgets won their last two regular season games to take the last qualifying spot. As a result, Rebels (5-5) visit M.M. Robinson (8-2) today in preliminary action. The winner will play at first place Pearson (10-0) on Feb. 19.

Rebel wrestling continues to roll along, with some notable finishes at the Sarnia/Windsor tournament Feb. 8-9.

Steve Scarlett wrestled in 10 matches over two days, placing sixth among 25 competitors in the open class. According to coach Jim Hall, Scarlett is one of his hopes he believes will continue to improve as the Ontario championships in Waterloo (April 18-20) approach.

Other competitors who did well included Ian Cox (first), Dustin Thompson (second), Mike Large (second), Aaron Gooding (second), Jeremy Hemp (second), Bruce Ryan (third), Kyle Goodlet (third), Greg Dobbin (fourth) and Jason Denny (fourth).



The Fergus goaltender tries to tie up an Acton forward after being caught out of his crease during their fifth playoff game 7-2, eliminating Fergus and advancing to the semi-final series against Schomberg, which begins Thursday on the road. (Herald photo)

Sabres move to semi-finals

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Acton Sabres put to rest any doubts about their ability to win in the post season with four straight victories over Fergus, advancing to begin semi-final play in Schomberg tomorrow.

Sabres, which won 12-1 Friday, 12-3 Sunday and 7-2 Monday, had lost their opening game 7-3 on Feb. 5. However, Acton coach Ken Steen said the team had taken Fergus for granted, a mistake he vowed his boys won't make against Schomberg.

"We finished 2-2 (in regular season matches) and are very close in our scoring with them. They have bigger guys and the lowest goals against, while we have the speed and can score more. I'd be very surprised if we didn't go the full seven games to decide it."

Steen said his team also has a slight advantage in that there isn't much difference from the top line to the fourth.

"If we play as a team, we can

get anybody out there that can be a scoring threat. One of their goalies is injured, so we'll need to take advantage of our chances since I expect these games to be decided by one or two goals."

Against Fergus, there was no lack of scoring opportunities for Sabres, particularly for Jeff Shevaller, who scored once and assisted on three Sunday, following up with a goal and an assist on Monday.

Shevaller was recognized for his efforts this season when the Mid-Ontario Jr. C league voted him as the league's most valuable player last week. This is the second major award won by Shevaller, who took rookie of the year honors last season.

Steen said the award was a good indication of how well regarded Shevaller, as well as the whole team is by the other or their opponents.

"The MVP is voted on by each team and they can't pick one of their own players. Jeff and the team are really getting the

recognition since we've become more competitive in the last two years."

In Sunday's 12-3 victory, Adam Hills did the most damage, netting one and assisting on four other goals. Mark Brommersma scored two and assisted on one. Jamie Curran also had a good night, scoring once and assisting on three others.

According to Georgetown Raider Jr. B coach Gary McFadyen, both Shevaller and Curran would make welcome additions to his lineup, which began their playoff series against Brampton yesterday (Tuesday).

Steen said something could be worked out, since Shevaller has played for Raiders in some regular season games this year. He said the pair might be able to play Tuesday, but not Thursday since Sabres play Schomberg that night.

Sabres play game two at home on Friday at 8:00 p.m. and will play game four the following Friday in Acton at the same time.



Curling Moneyspiel

Steve Cartwright prepares to release a rock during the Industrial Curling League's first annual moneyspiel at North Halton Golf and Country Club on Saturday. (Herald photo)