

Rebel swimmers third best in province

Georgetown District High School Rebels senior swim team repeated last year's success with a third place finish at the Ontario finals, held at the Etobicoke Olympium on Friday.

Rebel girls team placed third and the boys finished fourth to combine for the bronze medal, finishing ahead of 143 other schools in the province.

With the girls racking up 117 points and the boys getting 120, Rebels' 237 points placed them in third, behind first place Kennedy Collegiate from Windsor and arch rivals Queen Elizabeth Park

from Oakville. Georgetown defeated QEP in the Halton finals by eight points on Feb. 14.

Leading the way was Kristjana Curry, who finished first in both 50 metre freestyle and earned personal best times in 50 metre freestyle (28.6) and 100 metre freestyle (1:02.44). Curry also teamed with Jenny Ryan, Janine Glaser and Kristin Herner to win the 200 metre freestyle relay, breaking a GDHS record (1:59.65).

Top finisher for the boys was Brett Gillett, who took home the bronze for 100 metre

breaststroke. Gillett also helped teammates Glen Oomen, Bruce Jakes and Scott Hamilton place third in the 200 metre medley relay.

Saturday in the open meet against club swimmers, many of them nationally ranked, Rebels met with moderate success. All four relay teams finished in the top 12, led by the girls 200 metre freestyle team, which placed seventh.

The boys 200 metre medley relay team placed ninth, followed by the boys 200 metre freestyle relay in 11th and the girls 200 metre medley relay team in 12th.

In individual swims, Brett Gillett placed 15th in 100 metre breaststroke and Glen Oomen placed 18th in 50 metre freestyle.

Other OFSAA results: Boys 200 metre freestyle relay - fourth (Glen Oomen, Scott Hamilton, Andrew Morris and Matthew Zuraw), boys 100 metre individual medley - Bruce Jakes, eighth; boys 50 metre freestyle - Glen Oomen, eighth; girls 100 metre freestyle - Kristin Herner, eighth; girls 50 metre freestyle - Janine Glaser, ninth; girls 200 metre relay - ninth (Sara Mulholland, Dawn Newman, Jenny Ryan and Janine Glaser);

boys 50 metre fly - Bruce Jakes, 10th; boys 100 metre individual medley - Matthew Zuraw, 12th; boys 100 metre freestyle - Scott Hamilton, 13th; boys 50 metre fly - Robert Weston, 13th; boys 100 metre breaststroke - John Colton, 13th; boys 200 metre freestyle - Andrew Morris, 13th; girls 50 metre fly - Kristin Herner, 16th; girls 50 metre fly - Jenny Ryan, 18th; girls 100 metre individual medley - Dawn Newman, 23rd; boys 200 metre freestyle - John Manning, 25th; boys 50 metre freestyle - Andrew Morris, 31st; girls 100 metre individual medley - Joy Swain, 35th.

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Perkins honored at Heritage dinner

Gerry Perkins, honored as this year's recipient of the Georgetown Hockey Heritage Award, was stuck in a penalty box of his own while his friends took shots at him during the awards dinner at the Holy Cross Auditorium Monday night.

The longtime Halton Hills resident and diehard sports supporter was recognized for his contribution to hockey, most notably his commitment to the Georgetown Referee's Association, which he helped found in 1957 and is still directing today.

Perkins was roasted by several old friends, which included National Hockey League director of officiating Bryan Lewis, and former Georgetown Raider general manager Bob Hooper.

Lewis, who began his refereeing career under the care of Perkins, gave a hilarious rendition of "This is Your Life," using actual NHL rule book infractions to relate how Perkins and his wife, Betty, began their relationship.

Most of Lewis' story is too "colorful" to relate here, but his ending, "There was occasionally, rule 72 - roughing, but fortunately,

there have never been any rule 29's - major penalties," brought much applause from the crowd.

Hooper, another old friend of Perkins, kidded him about how long he has been a referee and why he has never learned to operate an automobile.

"The rumor he was born with a black and white sweater on isn't true. Those who wondered why Perkins didn't drive thought he was too cheap, but it's really because he couldn't see well enough to pass the exam."

Jake Poulstrup, a player on the Sunny Acre Farms Midgets hockey team, and also one of Perkins' referees, poked fun at his boss's habit of walking off with pens after signing game sheets by presenting him with a four foot high pen.

Halton Hills Herald newspaper publisher Bob Malcolmson was also in attendance to present Perkins with his portrait, which will be on display alongside the 13 previous winners of the award. Perkins was also given a smaller reproduction to take home for his family to admire.



Acton Sabre goalie Jim Manton covers up the puck to get a break in the action during his team's Mid-Ontario Jr. C playoff game on Sunday against

Orangeville at Acton Arena. Sabres lost that game 4-2 and trail the best of seven final series 2-0. (Herald photo by Robert Risk)

Sabres playoff hopes dimmed after losing two to Crushers

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Acton Sabres are down 2-0 in their best of seven playoff Mid-Ontario Jr. C final playoff series after losing 7-3 Friday in Orangeville and 4-2 Sunday at home.

After defeating Schomberg Cougars in six games, Sabre coach Ken Steen said he hoped his team would use the victory to boost them to an opening game win on the road. However, Crushers dominated the start of the game, leading 7-1 after two periods of play.

"We won the third period (scoring two goals) but we weren't there in the first part of the game. After we pulled (Greg) Powell, (Jim) Manton shut them out, but we were down by too many goals to come back."

Crushers scored three goals in the first period before Sabres connected for a powerplay goal at 15:05. Craig Cullen scored, assisted by Jason Sawyer and Adam Hills.

Orangeville continued to dominate in the middle frame, scoring four unanswered markers. Jeff Shevalier and Adam Hills scored goals, but it wasn't enough as Crushers took the first game.

Sabres stepped up the pressure in the second game, played Sunday afternoon at home, but had their hopes dashed when Crushers scored the winner with just 51 seconds remaining in regulation time.

"It was a tough loss, definitely a game we could have won. Losing was bad enough, but it would have been a little better if we had managed to go into overtime," said Steen.



JIM MANTONE

Orangeville had opened the scoring at 10:59 of the first period, but Acton kept the doors closed on any further attempts by the visitors. Sabres got things rolling in the second with two goals just 15 seconds apart and looked as though they might pull away.

Acton tied things up 1-1 when Mark Broomersma's wraparound attempt rebounded out to Cullen, who chipped it in over a sprawling Crusher goaltender. Sabres took the lead when Tim McDonald's shot was poked loose from under the netminder's pads by Paul Larsen.

Acton took the play to Orangeville after that, looking for a bigger lead, but their momentum was broken up by penalties, one which led to Crushers tying the game at 2-2. Both sides traded scoring chances, but Manton kept Sabres in the game until he was beaten within the game's closing minute. Orangeville added an empty net marker with 29 seconds remaining.

Both teams faced off at Orangeville last night (Tuesday) but results were not available at press time. Game four will be played Friday in Acton at 8:00 p.m.



Bryan Lewis, director of officiating for the National Hockey League, signs an autograph for Grant Usher, an employee of the Town of Halton Hills, during the Hockey Heritage Awards Dinner reception. Lewis was one of the evening's special guests and he entertained the crowd as he remembered his days of refereeing with Gerry Perkins in Georgetown. More Heritage photos on Page 24. (Herald photo)