

Interaction with newspaper helps everyone

With the approach of warmer weather after months of snow and ice, it's not hard to believe the end of the hockey season is near. Some teams have already stashed away their equipment after early elimination from the playoffs and are waiting anxiously for the fields to dry up enough for baseball.

Before the hockey season slips away, I'd just like to thank all the people who have provided the Herald with scores, stories, tips, pictures and questions. Without them, I couldn't have written some of the articles that appeared.

In fact, the response was so good that at times there wasn't enough room to fit everyone in as soon as they were received. Occasionally, some articles had to

wait for the following issue, but fortunately, it didn't happen too often.

As a result of the volume of material, many had to be trimmed down or rewritten slightly and I hope that I haven't hurt any feelings by doing that.

As a writer who has had my own work edited, I know what it's like to have an article wind up shorter than it was expected to be.

On the one hand, some names and details had to be left out of some stories. On the other, by making the extra space, more articles with their own names and details were able to be included. With space limitations, it's hard to fully please everyone all the time.

At the other end of the spec-



Risky Business
by
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trum, there were often times when there was room for everyone and all the write-ups were reprinted in their full length. When possible, pictures relating to the stories were run in

conjunction with the articles.

This is my next point. If I am made aware in advance (preferably one week) of a tournament or special event, the chances of the Herald getting a picture of it are much greater. A picture is worth a thousand words, remember. At the very least, the paper could serve to let the public know about the event and be able to attend.

I'd like to emphasize that I thought the response the Herald received from the community's budding writers has been fantastic. I had been aware before I began working here of some of our regular contributors (and I appreciate their continued efforts), but the influx of new submissions was surprising.

Many calls from first-time

writers were received this past year, asking what they needed to do in order to get their team's exploits printed in the paper. Giving them the answers wasn't difficult and the articles they sent in often needed very little editing.

As a result, I hope that our contributors were encouraged by what they have seen reprinted in the paper and are looking forward to continuing their efforts. I also look forward to seeing our regular summer contributors as well. They were here when I first began at the Herald, and were especially helpful in making the sports section successful. For those thinking of sending an article in for the first time, please do so. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 877-2201. Thanks again for all your help.

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Ontario's Minor Midget champions

Halton Hurricane Minor Midgets didn't have too bad a season for a first year team, finishing as the top Minor Midget team in the province after defeating Agincourt in three straight games last weekend. The team finished third after regular season play behind Barrie and Richmond Hill in their league, but came on to knock out Barrie in the playoffs after defeating them only once previously. Pictured from left to right, back row, are Jim O'Driscoll, Shawee Tooley, Derek Ellerd, Chris

Barrow and Tom Baler. Middle row, left to right are Mike McPhail, Mark Elkins, Sonny Cardillo, Derrick Robson, Eric Bodin, Dave Osborne, Clayton Vervoorn and Mark Lunn. Front row, left to right are Jake Mashinter, Jamie Janjevich, Chris Heipel, Trevor Thompson, Troy Sharpe and Dave Marshall. Absent from picture are player Mike Rusk, assistant coach Tom Webster, trainer Kevin Elkins, manager Graham Sharpe and coach Dave Heipel. (Photo submitted)

Tournament success for Rebel players

By ROBERT RISK
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Four Georgetown District High School athletes helped their badminton team secure a first place tie with E.C. Drury for the badminton tournament title which was held at GDHS on Friday.

Hilary Wiese and Julie Purvis took the women's doubles championship with Mike Bosman and Chris Cambouris securing the men's doubles final. All four athletes will be featured as the school's athletes of the week in The Herald Outlook edition on Friday.

E.C. Drury's Lily Lam dominated women's singles play, while teammates Blair Zachary and Sonya Lyall captured the mixed doubles section to manage a 29 point tie with Georgetown. Rob Boyle, one of the event's convenors, said the tie was unexpected, considering each placing (first round elimination, second round, semi-final, etc.) was given its own point value. Milton and Bishop Reding also competed in the one day tournament.

Continuing with tournaments, Rebel wrestling team continued to do well in competition, placing several of its members in the top five at the North Albion Col-

legiate tournament in Etobicoke last Saturday.

Bruce Ryan was the top Rebel finisher, earning first place in his division. Ian Cox and Colin Kay were close behind, each coming away with a second place finish. Aaron Gooding placed third, followed by Sean Goodwill in fourth while Jason Denny, Bryon Luff and Adam Soward all came in fifth.

Also competing were Dustin Thompson, Stew Teetzel, Steve Scarlett, Jeremy Hamp, Ryan Hutchins and Mark Rattenburg. Many of the aforementioned athletes will be competing in the Halton Junior Championships at Bishop Reding tomorrow (Thursday), while GDHS prepares to host the Halton championships April 4.

Two Rebel players put a positive note on the school's dismal basketball season on Friday at T.A. Blakelock, which hosted this season's all-star game and skills competition. Adam Poyntz finished second in the three point throw event, shooting 12 of them in one minute (15 was the winner). Forward John Cruise contributed to Richardson division's cause against Volpe division, scoring six points as his side won 101-87.



Dave Krause was selected Junior Rep Coach of the Year at the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association Coach and Managers Appreciation Night held last Saturday at Holy Cross church hall. For more on the evening, see Page B2. (Herald photo)

Bennett selected as second all-star

Former Georgetown hockey player Adam Bennett, now playing for Sudbury Wolves of the Ontario Hockey League, was selected to the league's second all-star team on March 20.

Bennett, a keystone of Wolves' defence, was the only Sudbury player picked to be on one of the three teams. His 21 goals and 29 assists in 54 games was one of the factors which led to his selection by the OHL.

The Georgetown native, drafted by the Chicago Blackhawks two years ago in the first round, sixth overall, has also gained notice nationally, having been invited to the Canadian junior team tryouts for two consecutive years. As of press time, Bennett and his team were down 3-1 in their first round best-of-

seven playoff series and were in Oshawa yesterday (Tuesday) to play game five.



Adam Bennett



Georgetown District High School Rebels badminton player Andrew Elliott was one of the top competitors at the Halton area tournament, held Friday at GDHS. Elliott defeated fellow student Jim Brown in men's semi-final play, but lost out in the title match to Kevin Wessinger of Milton. (Herald photo)