SPORTS & LEISURE Rebels dominant at OFSAA

Georgetown District High School's Rebels became the winningest team in the history of the Ontario Federation of Schools Athletic Association Swimming Championships after capturing their fourth overall points title banner last week at the Milton Sports Centre.

By winning the junior girls', junior boys', senior boys' and overall team titles for 2012, the Rebels have now accumulated 32 championship swim banners since 1981, more than any other school in the province. GDHS also won six consecutive overall team titles from 1981-86.

In Milton, gold medals were earned by Georgetown's Lauren Brewster, 14, in the junior girls' 50m backstroke and she was also a member of the Rebels' junior girls' 4x50m relay team along with Kelly Smith, Moira Ijzerman and Rachel Truscott that swam to victory by a whopping four seconds over runner-up North Toronto. Other top five finishes at OFSAA for GDHS included:

Rachel Truscott (2nd junior girls' 50m freestyle); Sam Bellman (5th senior boys' 50m butterfly); Calum Smith (3rd senior boys' 100m breaststroke); Kristen Davison, Sarah Reid, Evelyn Elgie, Terra Venator (3rd senior girls' 4x50m medley relay); Matthew Burch-Forgie, Nikolay Videnov, Tanner Leckie, Ben Wanless (3rd junior boys' 4x50m medley relay); Matthew Oles (4th senior boys' 100m breaststroke); Daniel Ardron, Calum Smith, Sam Bellman, Ryan Mersiadis-Carrier (4th senior boys' 4x50m medley relay); Tanner Leckie (4th junior boys' 100m IM); Trevor Burwell (4th boys' open 200m free); Kelly Smith (4th junior girls' 50m backstroke); Nikolay Videnov (5th junior boys' 100m IM); Kristen Davison (5th senior girls' 100m backstroke).



Calum Smith of Georgetown District High School churns through the water in the boys' 15 & over 200m freestyle final of the OFSAA swim championships held in Milton last week. Photo by Graham Paine/Metroland Media Group



Georgetown Raiders' goalie Steve Racine makes one of his 39 saves as Oakville Blades' Stephen Hickey looks for a rebound during the Raiders 3-2 win Saturday at Alcott Arena to take a 2-1 lead in the teams' best-of-7 playoff series. The Raiders' Caleb Apperson is at right. Photo by Eamonn Maher

Neither side has held a two-goal lead yet Raiders lead Blades 2-1 in tightly-contested series

Tyson Fawcett scored late in the first overtime period as the host Georgetown Raiders downed the Oakville Blades 3-2 Saturday night to take a 2-1 lead in their best-of-7 Ontario Junior Hockey League West Division championship series.

Fawcett's marker came on a power play with Jacob Bauchman sending a pass from behind the net into the slot and the shot eluded Blades' netminder James Prigione.

"Our line was going pretty well in overtime so I think (coach Greg Walters) wanted to play that hunch when we got the power play and thankfully it worked out," said the 18-year-old speedster from Barrie.

"Great forechecking by my

teammates made it happen and (Jacob) Bauchman hit me with a beautiful pass and I put it home. I'm just glad we won because it was a huge game in the series."

Friday Oakville evened the series 1-1 with a 3-2 win.

Neither club has held a twogoal lead or lost at home in the series thus far and game 4 is set for Oakville's Sixteen Mile Sports Complex Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Game five will be played Wednesday at Alcott Arena at 7:30 p.m.

Matt Chiarantano opened the scoring in the first period for Georgetown, but the Raiders needed a goal by defender Tyler MacPherson midway through the third frame in order to force overtime.

Raiders' goalie Steven Ra-

cine made 39 saves to earn first-star honours, with Prigione blocking 33 shots in the loss in front of about 600 spectators.

On Friday in Oakville a goal by the Blades' Tyler Karius with just 1:13 left in regulation time gave the host club s a 3-2 victory.

The winning marker actually bounced in off the stick of Raider defender Nathan Domagala, but it was the second time in the contest that the visitors weren't picking up their checks late in the period that led to a goal against.

Ryan Lopes and Braden Kavartzis had the Georgetown goals on soft shots that got past Prigione, who made 33 stops on the evening, while Raiders' Racine blocked 32 shots.

