

# SPORTS & LEISURE

## Hill looking sharp on the farm

Georgetown's Shawn Hill has taken a few more positive steps to returning to the Major Leagues with the Toronto Blue Jays' triple-A farm team in Las Vegas as he's undefeated in six starts with the 51s.

The 31-year-old righthanded pitcher wasn't his sharpest last week, giving up nine hits and five earned runs over five innings, but still got the 11-5 win over Fresno to improve to 4-0 with Las Vegas

since he signed with Toronto last month.

In his previous two starts, Hill gave up just one run through a combined 15 innings, striking out 14 batters while allowing just two walks.

The Bishop Reding High School grad has struggled through a number of surgeries to his throwing arm and is hopeful of getting called up by the Blue Jays, for whom he last pitched in 2010.

## Ex-Eagles coach now in Cooperstown

A former coach with the Georgetown Baseball Association's rep program was welcomed into the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y. over the weekend.

*Toronto Sun* baseball columnist Bob Elliott was the 2012 recipient of the J.G. Taylor Spink Award, which is selected by the Baseball Writers' Association of America for excellence in

journalism.

Elliott served as an assistant coach for Georgetown Eagles' AAA baseball teams in the peeewe to bantam age groups alongside Bill Byckowski, a former local resident who is a scout in the Cincinnati Reds' organization.

The Eagles won a Canadian AAA bantam championship in 2009.

## Tide teams romp in playoff action

The first round of playoffs in the Ontario Minor Football League kicked off on Saturday and both Halton Hills Crimson Tide squads won easily at Kiwanis Field in Georgetown.

Cole Besworth scored two touchdowns for the bantam Tide (14 & under) in a 54-0 rout over the Mississauga Warriors, while the Halton Hills junior varsity (16 & under) team blasted the TNT Express 69-0.

Also scoring majors for the bantams were Nick Aquilina, Jayden Arroyo, Mac Bell, Matthew Kastelec and Adam Smith.

Aaron Steffens (3), Zehan Jagosh



Receiver Jordan Naraine of the Halton Hills junior varsity Crimson Tide dives into the end zone for a touchdown during a 69-0 victory quarterfinal playoff victory over the visiting TNT Express Saturday night at Kiwanis Field.

*Submitted photo* (2), Eric Putnins, Taylor Leonard, Tanner Cadwallader, Michael Turner and Jordan Naraine had touchdowns for the JVs.

## Jr. C Bulldogs post upset in opener

Tyler Aunon and Mike Nicolucci each had hat tricks as the Halton Hills Bulldogs knocked off the first-place Caledon Bandits 10-7 on Sunday afternoon in game one of their best-of-5 Ontario Jr. C Lacrosse League West Division semifinal series.

The fourth-place Bulldogs, who swept the Wilmot Wild in the best-



of-3 first round of playoffs, led the host Bandits 10-1 at one point Sunday.

Patrick Reay (2), Cody Menzies and Kyle Moore also scored for the Bulldogs, with Drayden Patey earning the win in goal.

Game two of the series will be played Wednesday at the Alcott Arena in Georgetown beginning at 8 p.m.



## Brothers head 'ome for soccer action

Stewarttown brothers Noah (left) and Jordan Murray traveled to Manchester, England over the weekend to take part in one of the world's biggest tournaments as members of the Oakville-based Robin van der Laan Soccer Academy. Twelve-year-old Jordan, a striker, will play on both the under-12 and under-13 RVDL teams, while versatile Noah, 14, suits up for the under-15s at the Keele International Soccer Cup (formerly the Umbro Cup), which draws several hundred teams from around the world. As part of the dream trip, the boys will train at the facilities of English Premier League-champion Manchester City, Bolton and Stoke City, with a tour of Old Trafford, the home stadium of Manchester United, on the itinerary as well. van der Laan, who also serves as a senior coach with the Manchester United Soccer School, played professionally in his native Holland and later with Derby County of the before starting up his academy in Oakville. As well, the Murrays will take in a Summer Olympics men's exhibition soccer match involving Great Britain and the Canadian women's contest against Japan Wednesday night.

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## NHLer Doan to visit Georgetown Aug. 4

Current Phoenix Coyotes' captain Shane Doan might be playing for another National Hockey League team when he visits Georgetown's Canadian Tire location on Guelph St. on Saturday, Aug. 4.

As an unrestricted free agent, the 35-year-old Doan is free to sign with

any team after having played all 16 of his seasons with the Phoenix organization.

Doan will sign autographs from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the day of his promotional appearance in Georgetown. He'll also take part in a shootout competition at 12:30 p.m.

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