

# SPORTS & LEISURE



To mark the 30th anniversary of the Georgetown Baseball Association's rep program, the minor mosquito Eagles wore the original green uniforms of the organization during the six-team Central Ontario Baseball Association's AA championship tournament last weekend at the Gellert Community Centre. In the opening game Friday, shortstop Nick Theim (above) makes the putout on baserunner Domeinc King of the Milton Mets as second baseman Ayden Finn looks on. Georgetown was blanked 7-0 and lost its second game to be eliminated from the tournament. Milton lost in the AA championship game 11-1 to the Brampton Braves.

Photo by Eamonn Maher

## Eagles cruise to title win

The Georgetown Eagles captured a division championship at the Oakridge-London Minor Baseball Tournament for the second straight year, routing Kitchener 12-2 for the minor mosquito title.

In the semifinals, the Eagles rallied from behind to win 13-11 after Ryan Basha hit a walk-off three-run homer in

the last inning.

**Preliminary round— Georgetown 21, Thornhill 16; Georgetown 21, Waterloo 3; Georgetown 21, Oakridge 11**  
**Semifinal— Georgetown 13, Aurora 11**

**Championship— Georgetown 12, Kitchener 2**



Georgetown's minor mosquito Eagles won all five games to take top spot at the recent Oakridge-London tourney. Team members (front, from left) are: Patrick O'Reilly, Jacob Sherman, Owen Sherman, Cody Betts, Davis Young, Nick Theim. Middle row: Ayden Finn, Ryan Basha, Noah Warkentin, Sam Birk, Andrew Williams, Nathan Galvao. Back row: Coaches Louis Galvao, Graham Young, Stu O'Reilly, Greg Warkentin and Kurt Finn.

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## Fox earns silver medals at national swim meet

A stiff neck didn't stop Halton Hills Blue Fins' swim club member Matt Fox from nearly earning a gold medal in the 100m backstroke at the recent Canadian Age Group Championships in Calgary.

The 14-year-old Fox already had earned a bronze in the 200m back and a silver in the 50m back— breaking a club record with a time of 28.72 seconds— but woke up the next morning and could not move his neck.

After checking with a therapist, who determined that the condition wasn't serious, Fox was still in discomfort when he lined up for the 100m backstroke in the boys' 13-14 age group.

Going up against defending national champion Markus Thormeyer of B.C., Fox led at the turn in a time of 29.79.

Thormeyer surged ahead at the 75m mark, but Fox responded, finishing in 1:00.85, just one one-hundredth of a second behind Thormeyer.

Fox's time was not only an HHBF best time for that age category, but it was also fourth best in the Ontario records and 11th amongst the best Canadian times.

"It's hard to perform better than ever when you're in pain," said Blue Fins' head coach Mike Thompson.

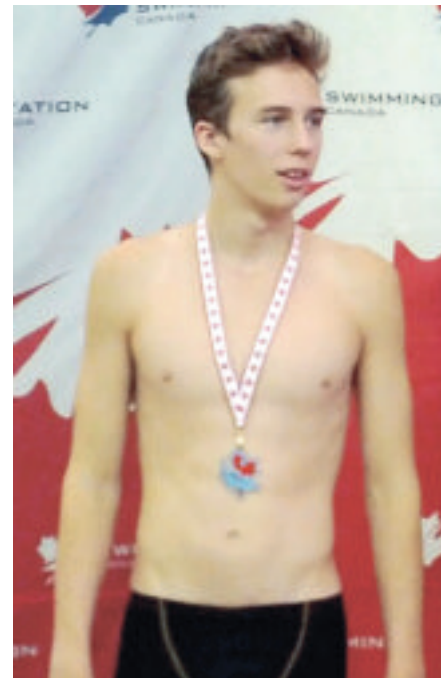
"Matt showed immense strength of character racing the way he did and it's indicative of what the Blue Fins do. Second place is nothing to be ashamed of, especially when it's the fourth fastest time in Ontario history."

At the Senior Nationals in Calgary, Blue Fin Kyle Haas finished sixth in the 50m backstroke, breaking his own club record in a time of 27 seconds despite not being in top form due to injury.

He was also 10th in the 100m back to win the B final and in the age group events, was fourth in the 50m back, sixth in the 100m back and eighth in the 200m back.

Mitchell Krafczek set a season-best time in the 200m backstroke (2:22.38), equaled his PB in the 100m back and broke the 30-second mark in the 50m back for the first time.

He also broke personal bests in the



Matt Fox of the Halton Hills Blue Fins won two silver medals and a bronze in the backstroke events at the Canadian Age Group Championships.

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100m and 200m breaststroke, posting the second-fastest HHBF time ever in the latter with 2:43.81.

Making her Canadian Age Group Championships debut, Keri-Lyn Cope-land had PB times in the 100m free and 100m back, while Aysia Leckie, also at nationals for the first time, finished 13th in the 50m, 100m and 200m free events.

Competing in their last Canadian age group meet, Acadia University's Elizabeth Skuriat broke her own HHBF record in the 100m back and matched her PB in the 200m back, with Aaron Brautigam, set to attend the University of Ottawa, picking up three PB marks.

The Blue Fins placed 54th overall out of the 189 teams that attended the national age group meet.

The Halton Hills club will start up another season in September and is always looking for new swimmers. For more info, visit the website [www.haltonhillsbluefins.com](http://www.haltonhillsbluefins.com).

## STAYING HOME THIS WEEKEND?... SHOP LOCAL

Shopping local saves you money. Out of town shops have done a good job of convincing us all that sole traders = expensive, but the evidence just isn't there to back this up. If you add in travel, parking costs, fees to transport larger items home and your time, the overall cost is often much higher. SHOP LOCAL, SHOP HALTON HILLS!



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