

School's volleyball teams claim Provincial crowns

Double gold for Centennial athletes

The Centennial Chargers boys and girls volleyball teams travelled to Durham County last weekend to compete in the Provincial Cup volleyball tournament.

The Provincial Cup tournament, which began 12 years ago in Barrie, is the largest elementary volleyball tournament in Canada, with a total of 96 teams and more than 1,000 athletes from around the province competing in the two-day competition.

Centennial teams have competed in every Provincial Cup tournament since 1980 and have enjoyed a great deal of success over the years. In 1988, the boys' squad were crowned champions and the girls' team took the bronze. In 1989, the girls again came close and finished fourth in the province.

But Saturday evening, with the support of parents and teachers, the two Centennial teams were able to match a feat accomplished only once before, the rare double gold victory!

In the girls' competition, coaches Jim Atkinson and Brian Cosgrove took their lady Chargers to Oshawa with reserved optimism. Although their team had won two tournaments and were 7-1 in league play, they had struggled in two matches held earlier in the week. However, things began to look promising as they finished pool



The championship boys' volleyball team includes (front row, from left) Neil Smith, Ryan Taylor, Darin Findlayson, Peter Mashinter, Dave Welburn, Derek Downey, Shane Thompson, (back row) assistant coach John Vandermolen, Ryan Howatt, Wesley Blight, Kevin Adema, Matt Jolliffe, John Bilik, Garry McNiven, Mike French and coach David MacFarlane. Team members received a leather volleyball for finishing first.

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In the final the Chargers played Bliss Carmen of Scarborough a team which has had a great deal of success at past Provincial Cups. In game one the Chargers again started slowly and had difficulty serving and receiving serve. Again the girls battled back but this time they were defeated for the first time 15-13. In game two the Chargers took control quickly as the Bliss Carmen team struggled with all parts of their game. The result was a quick and convincing victory for the local girls by a 15-1 margin. In the final game both teams played better volleyball and the game was closely contested and when the teams switched ends Centennial was ahead 8-7. The Charger girls then took control and opened a 13-9 lead only to see Carmen creep back to 13-11. At this time the team captain Courtney O'Brien took over and served the final two points to nail down the victory.

The team was led by setter Courtney O'Brien and hitter Leigh Shillington. The Centennial team was able to utilize all of their talented line-up throughout the tournament and this contributed greatly to their final victory as they didn't appear to tire in spite

of the gruelling schedule of matches. Team members include Amy Hayes, Karen Fairs, Kate Potosky, Rachel Inglis, Lisa MacDonald, Lisa Boulanger, Julie Bottomley, Danay Guignard, Colleen Campbell, Shannon Nolan, Cheryl Rivard, Courtney O'Brien and Leigh Shillington.

On Friday night, Centennial boys played very well, defeating teams from Bowmanville and two teams from Ajax and Pickering.

Saturday the Chargers played a match, easily defeating a Toronto team, but in the last match of their pool play came up flat, losing to St. Matthews of Oakville. This defeat gave them a 8-2 record in pool play, ending in a second place finish.

In the second round Centennial drew two tough opponents, St. Louis of Leamington and Lincoln Ave. of Oshawa. In the first match against Lincoln Ave. they defeated them easily 2-0. St. Louis was a much tougher opponent, and had been undefeated up until this match.

The Charger team played very well, losing the first game 15-3, but coming back and winning the final two games 15-8, 15-10.

This placed the team in the quarter finals against Glashan of Ottawa. Glashan had won the Cup five times, and was the 1990 champion.

Centennial played extremely well as a team, winning the first game 15-6. However, the second game was much tougher with long rallies and come-backs. Centennial finally won the game 17-16.

In the semi-finals the Chargers played Victor Lauriston of Chatham. Hearing that this school had defeated Stewarttown and Sherratt, league rivals, encouraged the team to work very hard. In two hard fought games Centennial emerged the victor.

Getting to the finals is a most difficult chore and players were beginning to feel exhausted from the pressure and tough play. Many had sore muscles and headaches but still were able to get up for the finals against Tecumseh of Scarborough. Tecumseh had a very hard hitter, but Centennial's balance and speed won the match 15-8, 15-9.

This team played its heart out and was cheered on by many supportive parents and teachers. It was a great weekend!



The championship girls' volleyball team includes (front row, from left) Rachel Ingalls, Julie Bottomley, Shannon Nolan, Courtney O'Brien, Lisa Boulanger, Cheryl Rivard (back row) coach Brian Cosgrove, Amy Hayes, Karen Fairs, Lisa McDonald, Kate Potosky, Leigh Shillington, Danay Guignard, Colleen Campbell and coach Jim Atkinson.

Fast-paced fury for M&M Pros

Nov. 10 Georgetown hosted the Milton Docs and Dents at the Memorial Arena.

A fast-paced first period featured excellent back and forth action by both teams. Forechecking by the line of Matt Hotham, Jason Campbell and Dan Smith resulted in a late period goal being scored by Hotham, assisted by Smith.

With Milton applying pressure early in the second period, a blocked shot by Trevor Cash in front of Tyler Pearce and good defensive plays by Jason Hayes and Roddy Heinz kept the score 1-0 Georgetown at the end of two periods.

The M and M Pro Sports squad was playing shorthanded when Matt Hotham notched his second of the game at 7:54 of the third period assisted by Jason Campbell.

Milton made for an exciting finish by scoring with 3:46 remaining in the game.

Georgetown goaltender Tyler Pearce made a spectacular pad save with 3:07 remaining to preserve the victory.

The defensive play-of-the-game went to Bryan Stuttard who played a late game two-on-one Milton rush perfectly, preventing a shot on goal.

A total team effort and consistent forechecking and backchecking resulted in a hard-fought 2-1 Georgetown victory.

GEORGETOWN MEN'S BOWLING NOV. 10

LJB Contractors	19
Tra Ent.	13
Arnie's Body Shop	10.5
Countrywide Real Estate	9
Custom Car Sound	7
Dawe's Real Estate	5.5

Dodge ReMax working on power play

With the Baby Boomers taking over the Georgetown Arenas this week, coaches Jack Moon and Bob Craig of the Mal Dodge Remax AA Peewees will use the time off to figure out how to get some much needed punch into their team's offence.

Over the past week, the Pee-wees dropped two games, one to Brampton and the other to Ancaster, picking up just two goals for six periods of work.

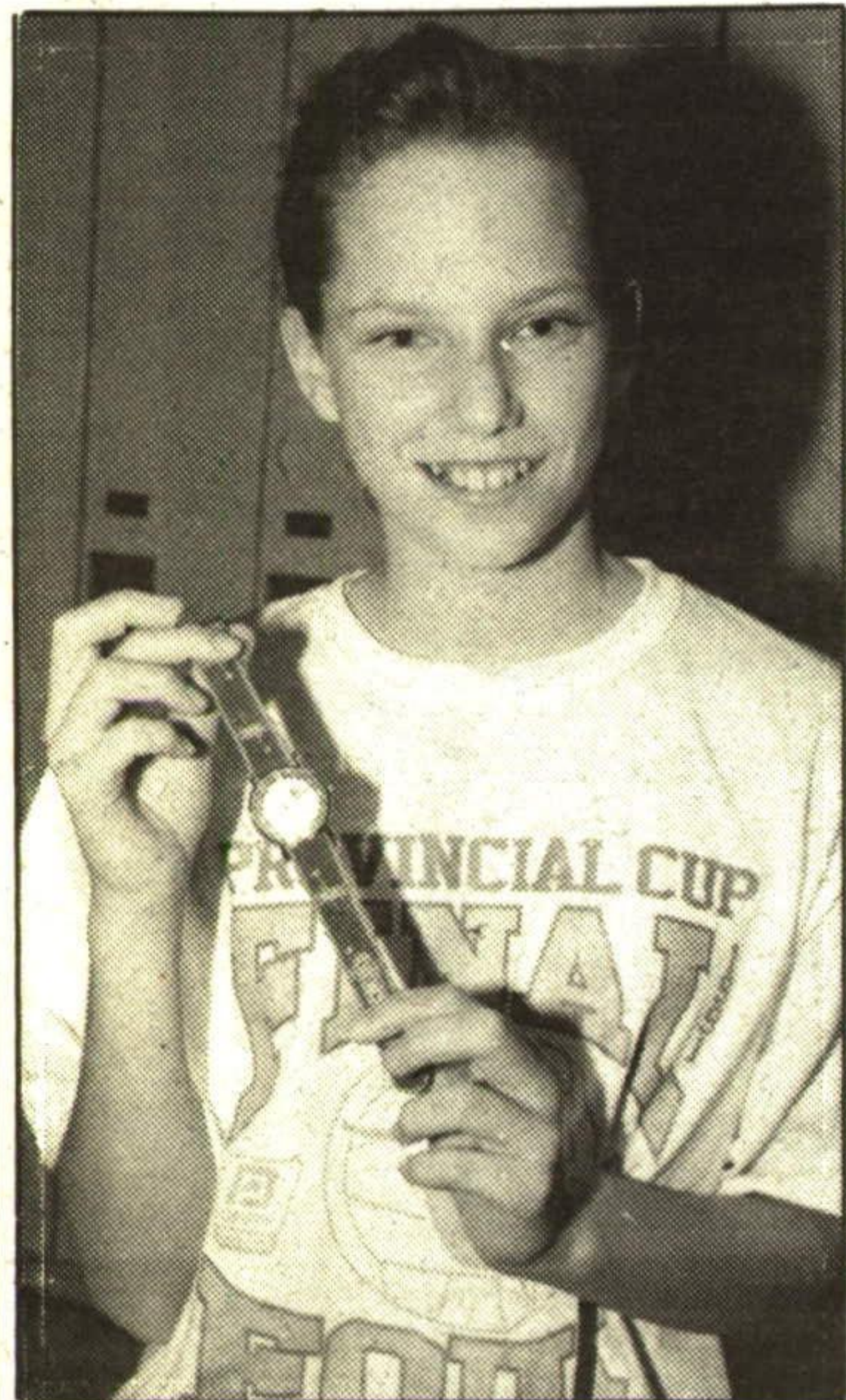
On the positive side Georgetown did find some success on the power play in Ancaster with Stephen Markham picking up two goals 13 seconds apart late in the third with Chris Goodhew and Mike Komonowski assisting on both.

The double tally made it 4-2 for Ancaster and regrettably turned the balance of the game into a scrappy affair with Ancaster picking up eight minor penalties, plus a 10-minute misconduct in the last five minutes of the game.

This weekend, Streetsville make their first visit to Alcott this season, game time 3:45.

Marty Gordon, Steven Barnes and Brouillard.

NOV. 7	Erin 11 Acton 0
NOV. 9	Milton 6 Acton 2



JULIE BOTTOMLEY Earned wristwatch as tournament MVP

play Saturday with a 10-0 record and only 31 points scored against them.

In the playoff elimination the Chargers disposed of Tecumseh of Burlington 15-1, 15-5 and Pringle Creek of Oshawa 15-7, 15-4.

To reach the final four the Chargers had to defeat arch rival Glashan of Ottawa, who have been stumbling block for Charger teams at this tournament in the past. Glashan proved no match for this Centennial squad as the girls destroyed the Ottawa school 15-3, 15-3.

Saturday evening at Pickering High School the girls were matched up with Buchanan of Scarborough in the semi-final. The Buchanan girls were a well coached team with excellent skills and powerful, accurate serves. The Chargers dropped behind quickly in the first game 5-0 as they had difficulty receiving the serve.

After a time out, the girls fought back and were able to tie the game at 9-9. Gaining confidence and playing outstanding defence the girls took control of the match and stole the game 15-11. In game two the girls got off to a better start and were never behind as they defeated Buchanan 15-7. The score of this game does not indicate what a tough struggle it was as every point and side out was a battle.

ACTON NOVICE II ROUND-UP

OCT. 20
Acton 3
Guelph 1

Acton goals scored by Ryan Weatherall, Matthew Wolfer and Steve Barnes with assists to Wolfer, Joe Fields and Darren Selihar.

NOV. 2
Milton 4
Acton 2

NOV. 3 EXHIBITION Acton 5 Fergus 1

Acton goals scored by Ryan Weatherall, Chris Near and Steven Barnes with assists going to Sam Brunelle, Joe Fields, Matthew Hebden

and Barnes.

NOV. 4
Acton 3
Guelph 3

Acton goals scored by Ryan Weatherall and Ian Wallis with assists to Andrew Forbes, Adam Brouillard,