Burlington schools sweep by Rebels for Halton crowns

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Despite a lot of hard work and great support from well over one hundred screaming fans, the Georgetown Rebel junior and senior boys' volleyball teams came up short in their bids for Halton Regional titles Tuesday afternoon at Sheridan College in Oakville.

In early competition, the junior boys suffered a 2-0 loss to the Nelson Lords of Burlington, taking 16-14 and 15-7 defeats. Later on the seniors were taken down 15-5, 15-10 for a 2-0 loss to Burlington Central.

After posting semi-final victories last Thursday, both junior coach Russ Linney and senior coach Bob McKay knew they would be going up against a couple of power-house volleyball squads in the finals. They expectations proved right on the money and than some.

The Rebels provided exciting action Tuesday afternoon with a lot of talent and effort but came up on the short end of two decisive match-ups.

Georgetown volleyball players can take pride in the fact that they have some of the best fans in Halton. Both squads had over one hundred followers behind them Tuesday with Georgetown fans hanging on to the bitter end with their cheers and shouts of encouragement to their team.

Nelson got off to a quick lead in game one of the best-of-three match-up but Georgetown came

back and mounted two five point leads during the game, thanks to strong hitting and setting from Gianni Markou and Ron Harrison and

solid blocking by Mike Evans and Gavin

would take the first game and the early lead against Nelson. However, the Lords posted seven straight points and won 16-14.

The Lords got off to another fast start in game two and never looked back. The Rebels came back to tie the score twice but lost control with Nelson's powerful serving and hitting and lost 15-7.

Johnston came up with big performances against Nelson but couldn't

John Giuliani, Greg Bonehill and Peter Garton were outstanding for Nelson with

great setting and spikes.

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"Both teams were strong today but Nelson was a little more consistant," said head coach Russ Linney after the loss, "I have to give Nelson a lot of credit, they played a great game."

In seniors action, the Georgetown Rebels turned in a strong team effort but couldn't stop Burlington Central's one-man wrecking crew of Anothony Fenton - who collected point after point with his effective serving and devasating spikes.

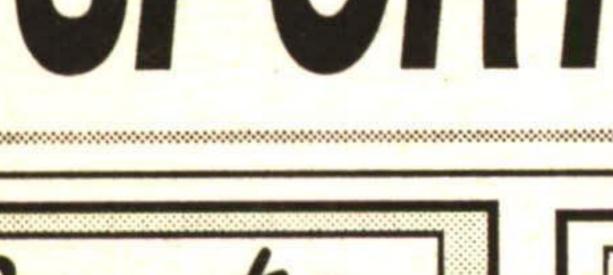
Central came out flying in game one and posted a 12-1 lead before the Rebels knew what has hit them. Georgetown added a few more points but couldn't stop Burlington from getting back into a grove and taking a 15-5 win to take the lead.

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Egg Nog Jog

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority and the Georgetown Runners are calling on all runners to register for the Tenth Annual Egg Nog Jog held at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area 10:30 a.m., Sunday, December 13.

"This is a 10.8 km run for fun with all proceeds from the event going to the United Way," says CVCA community relations spokesperson Robert Peace. "It has become a real tradition drawing runners from throughout southern Ontario."

Organizers are hoping for record attendance this year to help celebrate the tenth year of the event. New facilities have been constructed this year to accommodate more runners.

Registration the day of the race begins at 8:30 a.m. and will be \$15. For those able to pre-register before Tuesday, December 8, a fee of \$10 will apply.

For more information or registration forms please call Robert Peace at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority 670-1615.

Bet on it

We're betting on the racing fans on Sunday, Nov. 22 at Mohawk Raceway.

The Ontario Jockey Club's Harness Horsemen's Wives, in co-operation with the O.J.C., are co-ordinating a food drive on this day at Mohawk for the first time ever.

All racing fans are invited to participate in the food drive with proceeds going to food banks located in the Halton Region, including Milton, Oakville, Burlington and Acton.

Anyone who contributes a non-perishable food item (canned vegetables/fruit, canned fish, powdered milk, peanut butter, jarred baby food, tomato sauce, macaroni and cheese) will receive \$1 general admission for their donation. Racing begins at 7:30 p.m.

Hot battles

Things are heating up in the Halton Hills Hockey League, Sunday mornings at Gordon Alcott Arena in Georgetown.

This week it was A.J. Bulldogs topping Maksteel 5-1 Station House doubling the McGibbon Hotel and Curwood Packaging and I.I.S of Acton skating to a 1-1 draw.

All-star battle

The Erin Shamrocks will host the Mid-Ontario Junior C all-star game at the Erin Community Centre on Saturday, November 28 at 8:30 p.m. The Milton Merchants will provide the opposition.





Getting their kicks at karate class

Members of Georgetown Karate Club demonstrated various techniques November 6, as sparring partners Dustin Boreland and Scott Buist gave spectators a taste of what students learn in the club. Later, senior members demonstrated advanced technique.

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Raiders lose to Rangers

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It was do or die time for the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders Wednesday.

The local squad had to post a win on the road against the last place Royal York Rangers in order to break a 14-game losing streak and stay out of the Central Ontario Junior A West Division's basement.

Even for a team that was winless for the last month-and-a-half, this shouldn't have been a major chore - after all Royal York has scored only four wins since joining the league last season.

Georgetown just couldn't get the job done on this night, as they took a 4-1 pounding in Royal York for their 15th straight loss. They now occupy last place in the league alongside Royal York with just eight points.

Georgetown's Jonathan McKee connected with a shot at 12:43 of the first period for a powerplay goal to give his team a 1-0 lead, the first the Raiders have enjoyed in over three weeks.

McKee's tally was assisted on by Bryan Gendron and Steve Weishar.

However, Royal York came back with two goals late in the opening period to grab a 2-1 lead at first intermission. Home town goals were recorded by Jason Pratt and Barry MacDonald.

Goaltender Jason Sirota kept Georgetown in the game Wednesday evening but couldn't stop forwards Peter Westercamp and MacDonald from notched a goal each in the last two periods, including a shorthanded marker at 8:27 of the third.

Despite the loss, Raider President Finn Poulstrup felt the team showed signs of improvement Wednesday night with better defence.

"Working on bringing down our goals against is a critical part of our game plan," Poulstrup explained, "I have been seeing signs of improvement in the team and expect to see more improvement in the weeks ahead."

Raider right winger Jim English has asked for his release from the Georgetown Junior A club and will be returning to the Erin Shamrocks Junior C squad.

English felt he could contribute more with the Shamrocks but has agreed to help out Georgetown when they are short players.

In the past week, centre Ian Ellis and goalie Carmelo Guirleo have asked to be traded and Justyn Huminiek and Kevin Moxey have returned to their respective Junior C teams or minor hockey.