



Jacob Mandel (3) of the Georgetown Rebels picked off a Christ the King pass near his end zone during a Halton senior football matchup last Thursday. The visiting Rebels scored an impressive 24-7 victory. Photo by Eamonn Maher

Rebels tame Jags in kickoff game

The battle for bragging rights in Georgetown high school football turned out to be a bit of a one-sided affair last week.

With former Rebel star running back John Leckie having taken on the head coaching duties for GDHS's seniors, the Rebels defeated the Jaguars 24-7 at Christ the King in the first game of the Halton Secondary School Athletic Association Tier 1/2 Senior Division's regular season.

Running back Alex Leduc scored two

touchdowns and D.J. Strachan had the other as Georgetown grabbed a 10-0 lead by half-time.

A 95-yard interception return for a TD by Lucas Scully in the third quarter gave the Jags a bit of a jump but the Rebel defence frustrated the hosts throughout.

Next up for the Rebels is a trip to Burlington Friday to take on the Corpus Christi Longhorns, with CtK having visited Frank Hayden on Wednesday evening.

Raiders carve up Jr. Sabres

Josh Dickinson and Jordan Crocker had two goals and two assists apiece in the Georgetown Raiders' 8-3 triumph over the Buffalo Jr. Sabres Saturday night in Ontario Junior Hockey League action. The 3-1 Raiders were in control throughout the contest, outshooting the Jr. Sabres 48-34 and taking a 4-1 lead into the third period.

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Local man qualifies for race a year earlier than expected

Poole-ing all his energy for Hawaii Ironman triathlon

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Having competed in the sport of triathlon for the past decade, local resident Matt Poole has achieved the goal of qualifying for its pinnacle event, the Ironman World Championships in Kona, Hawaii.

The 37-year-old Poole will leave next week in order to get acclimated to the often-sweating, lava-fed conditions on the Pacific island and will race in the men's 35-39 age group.

He is currently ranked eighth in Canada and 165th in the world according to his qualifying time registered at an event in Mont Tremblant, Que. last month.

Cheered on by wife Cary and daughters Charlotte and Elizabeth, Poole placed third in his age category in rainy conditions at Tremblant in a time of nine hours, 41 minutes and 32 seconds in to grab the final qualifying spot in what was his fourth completed Ironman distance.

Prior to that race, the best finish Poole had recorded in his age group was 18th and would have been thrilled to crack the 10-hour barrier at Tremblant.

The Brockville, Ont. native is among approximately 2,500 athletes from around the world who will take on the daunting 2.4-mile Waikiki Roughwater Swim, 112 miles of the Around-Oahu Bike Race and the 26.2-mile Honolulu Marathon.

I think I still may be in shock, he said recently.

Qualifying for Kona has been a dream of mine since I was young, and to now have



Matthew Poole of Georgetown qualified for the Ironman World Championships in Hawaii on Oct. 8 thanks to a third-place finish in his age group at a triathlon in Mont Tremblant, Que. last month. Submitted photo

the opportunity to go is truly unbelievable.

Poole had thought it was more realistic that he'd qualify for the 2017 Hawaii Ironman and surprised himself by making it a year early.

Without time to round up sponsorship, the family has started a GoFundMe account to help offset his expenses at www.gofundme.com/2n9873ak



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