

TRIPLE THREAT: Georgetown's Je Land Sydney raced to gold medals in all three events he entered at the Ontario Track Provincial Championships last weekend at the Matamy National Cycling Centre in Milton. The 18-year-old won the Junior Sprint, Kilo Time Trial and Keirin events and the London-based Kallisto Cycling Club member missed out on breaking the Canadian record in the Keirin by three seconds. Sydney, a Grade 12 Georgetown District High School student who is originally from Trinidad & Tobago, will compete in the Canadian championships March 31 to April 2 at the Milton velodrome. After being granted his Canadian citizenship last month, Sydney can now compete for his adopted country at the Jr. Pan American championships in Mexico and the Jr. Worlds in Shanghai, China in the summer. Another Georgetown resident, Eric Bartolomeo, placed sixth last weekend in the Junior Mens Keirin.



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Raiders up 2-1 on Jr. Sabres in opening round of playoffs

It hasn't exactly been smooth sailing for the top teams early on in this Ontario Junior Hockey League's post-season and the Georgetown Raiders became the latest favoured team to experience defeat.

The OJHL's best regular-season side lost 3-2 in Buffalo Monday night to the eighth-place Jr. Sabres and although the Raiders still hold a 2-1 lead in the best-of-7 South/West Conference quarterfinal series, their next game is back across the border at the HarborCentre Thursday evening.

Game five will be played Saturday at Georgetown's Alcott Arena beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Jordan Crocker got the Raiders on the board just 28 seconds into game three Monday and the visitors held a 2-1 lead until late in the middle stanza when Buffalo's Christian DeFilice struck for a shorthanded marker.

A power-play goal from Jr. Sabre Brendan Dunning at the 12:30 mark of the third period turned out to be the winner.

Jordan Anderson also tallied for the Raiders, who outshot the opposition 32-30 in front of 150 spectators.

North/West Conference-champion Trenton, host of the Dudley Hewitt Cup in May, has lost twice on home ice and trails eighth-seeded Newmarket 2-1 in their quarterfinal matchup.



GREG WALTERS

Georgetown rolled to a 5-1 victory in game one at home but fell behind in game two 2-1 before taking advantage of some Jr. Sabres penalties, scoring three times on the power play en route to a 5-2 triumph.

The individual awards continue to pile up for the Raiders as they finished the regular season as No. 2 in the Canadian Junior Hockey League's Top 20 Weekly Rankings.

Leading scorer Jack Jacome was named to the OJHL First All-Star Team and goalie Josh Astorino earned a spot on the Second All-Star Team, while head coach and GM Greg Walters was selected as the league's Executive of the Year Tuesday.

Rebel McVeigh nets silver at OFSAA wrestling meet

Georgetown District High School's Myles McVeigh had the best showing of six Rebel wrestlers with a silver medal at last week's Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations championships in Brampton.

Competing in the 89-kg weight division, McVeigh defeated some tough competition, including the tournament's third seed, to advance to the gold medal match.

McVeigh bowed out to reigning Canadian champion Tejvir Boal of Toronto's West Humber in the final, although their match was much closer than their previous meeting in the fall.

Making his first OFSAA appearance, GDHS's David Bhattacharya lost his first match but went on to win the next five bouts including a victory over the wrestler he was initially beaten by to claim fifth spot in Ontario for the 72-kg class.

Rebel Lucas Brooks won four of his

matches in the boys 130-kg category for a top-12 result, while teammate Taylor Hillcock (61 kg) was given a tough draw and lost to top-10 seeds in her first two matches.

Georgetown's Melisa Grooms (115 kg) and Pareese Papadimitriou (64 kg) also made their OFSAA debuts at the Powerade Centre.

SNOWBOARDING: Competitors from Georgetown District High School placed 12th in the team standings after the girls' giant slalom event at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) Snowboard Festival Thursday at the Beaver Valley Ski Club.

Meghan Jones led the Rebels with a 26th-place individual result, with Erin Oughtred (57th) and Brianna Buchan (77th) also counting towards the team total. Jocelyn Whittal (80th) and Sabrina Abrahamse (81st) also represented GDHS at OFSAA.



MYLES McVEIGH



GONE CLUBBING: The Georgetown Skating Club recently held its annual Team Club Competition at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex as the participants showed their talent and skills in a friendly team event. The Diamond Blades were the winning entry on the day and they will perform their routine during the day-long Canada 150 Skating Event on April 1. Pictured above, front row (from left) are: Hannah Calvert, Sophia Marcolla. Second row: Isabella Ward, Kenda Oribhabor, Angelina Avanesian, Alana Carras, Taylor Johnson. Back row: Hana Whatmough, Vicki Newman, Emma de Vries, Charlotte Davison, Justine Brooks, Phoebe Miksic, Reka Somogyi, Victoria Nowak, Madelyn Gander, Rayna Chantrel, Brynn Watson-Mumford, Sophia Succo, Melissa McEnery, Sasha DesRoches. Submitted photo

COUNTDOWN TO THE RAIDERS NEXT HOME GAME

Saturday Mar. 11th, 2017
7:30 pm at Mold-Masters SportsPlex
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