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WEEKEND SPLIT FOR HALTON HILLS U-13 BULLDOGS



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Ethan Keating (88) of the Halton Hills under-13 Bulldogs breaks free from Oshawa defenders during an Ontario Minor Field Lacrosse League match Saturday at Trafalgar Sports Park. The Bulldogs lost to Oshawa 10-8 despite a hat trick from Keating and a pair of goals by Jeremy Fancett. Halton Hills rebounded to defeat Orillia 11-4 on game two of the day, with Lucas Denning (3), Keating (3) and Fancett (2) leading the offence. The OMFLC championship will be contested this weekend in Brampton at the Sandalwood/Creditview fields.

Hockey component to upcoming Wenjiang Festival

Halton Hills is set to host a week full of cultural activities during the Wenjiang Festival and it's only fitting that on Canada's 150th birthday, hockey will be a part of the experience with its sister city from the Far East.

Ten games are scheduled to make up the Hockey Day lineup on Saturday, Oct. 28 beginning at 7 a.m., including matchups involving the Halton Hills Minor Hockey Association, rep and house league games for the North Halton Girls' Hockey Association's Twisters, local high schools, and an exhibition game between a youth team from Chengdu, China and the North American Chinese Hockey Association.

To mark the 35th anniversary of the Georgetown Intermediate A Raiders' Hardy Cup national championship victory, alumni from the club will take on a team from the Niagara area.

To cap off the evening, the defending Ontario Junior Hockey League champion Georgetown Raiders will take on the East Conference-leading Wellington Dukes at 7:30 p.m.

The Georgetown Hockey Heritage Council

is helping organize the Hockey Day event and a welcome reception will take place at 2 p.m.

Despite China's population of more than 1.4 billion, the Town of Halton Hills (population 61,161) actually has more players registered with the IIHF.

"This is going to be a wonderful experience for these kids coming to Canada and it should be an eye-opener for them," said GHHC chair Dave Kentner, noting that the Chinese players will be staying in a nearby hotel through the week.

"Although these kids have been to tournaments in Australia and all over Asia, they'll be able to participate in practices with Halton Hills Minor Hockey Association over the five days and also take part in the festival activities."

Tickets for the day's festivities are \$10 each. A Chinese women's team named Qiqihar Randy China is slated to be in Georgetown on Friday, Oct. 13 for an exhibition contest against the North Halton midget AA Twisters with a 7 p.m. puck drop. That event is not associated with the Wenjiang Festival.

Raiders reel off eight wins in a row

After posting three wins over the weekend, the Georgetown Raiders will get some down time during the next couple of weeks as the front-runners in the Ontario Junior Hockey League.

The 9-1-1 Raiders recorded their eighth consecutive victory Sunday (Oct. 1) night over the host Toronto Jr. Canadiens, scor-

ing four times in the second period to take control of the contest.

Andrew Cordssen-David, Brendan D'Agostino, Nicolas Vlahos, Jason Smith and Jonathan Hampton tallied for Georgetown, which outshot the home side 32-25.

Mario Cavaliere earned his first shutout as Raider at the Al-

cott Arena on Saturday (Sept. 30) evening, making 26 saves in a 3-0 triumph over the Jr. Canadiens.

Derek McVey, Smith and D'Agostino supplied the goal scoring in a three-minute span early in the opening frame.

On Friday (Sept. 29) night in Aurora, Georgetown capitalized on three first-period power plays

and went four for five with the man up on the night in a 7-4 decision over the much-improved Tigers.

Hampton, D'Agostino, Jordan Crocker, Cordssen-David, Smith and Andrew Court found the net.

D'Agostino and Cordssen-David will miss the next few games after incurring gross miscon-

duct penalties on Sunday for removing their helmets during fights.

The Raiders visit the Toronto Patriots Saturday (Oct. 7) night and then don't play again until they host the Kingston Voyageurs on Wednesday, Oct. 18, the first in a stretch of seven home dates in 10 games.

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