

# Power play paying dividends for Raiders

The Ontario Junior Hockey League's most efficient power play came through again for the Georgetown Raiders Sunday (Nov. 19) night in a 3-2 triumph over the Toronto Jr. Canadiens at the Scotiabank Pond.

A pair of markers with the man advantage out of three opportunities sent the Raiders on to their third consecutive win as the team's 27.27-per-cent success rate is by far the league's best.

Leading-scorer Jason Smith, Brendan D'Agostino and Andrew Cordssen-David scored for Georgetown on Sunday, with Jonathan Hampton picking up two assists.

Mario Cavaliere made 33 stops to improve his record to 16-2-1 with a 1.63 GAA and .947 save percentage.

The 18-4-1 Raiders also own the Ontario Junior Hockey League's (OJHL) top winning percentage at .804 but have played fewer games than South/West Conference front-runners Oakville and Toronto Patriots.

As the regular season reaches its mid point, head coach and general manager Greg Walters said he



feels the team is ahead of schedule in developing its structure and cohesiveness considering just seven players returned from last spring's OJHL championship run.

"With the exception of (rookie Christian) Clark (out with a collarbone injury), this week will be the first time we've had our regular lineup together," said Walters, in his eighth season with the club.

"The power play and special teams in general have been good and that usually helps us keep in games."

During his tenure here, Walters has been hesitant to bring in 20-year-olds cast adrift by their respective Ontario Hockey League teams, but the acquisition

of Smith from the Barrie Colts in the opening week of the campaign has helped offset the loss of at least some of the 157 points generated last season by Jack Jacome and Josh Dickinson that departed for Clarkson University.

"(Smith) was friends with a few of our guys and he's fit in nicely," said Walters of the five-foot-eight, 170-pound Brampton resident, who has 15 goals and 13 assists in 28 games.

"The thing you worry about with those guys is are they just sort of playing out the string, or if they really want to go to (US-ports), which we knew Smitty does, so we were very keen to bring him in and he's been a huge addition."

It's a busy week ahead for the Raiders, with four games in five days starting with a home date with the Mississauga Chargers on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

A trip to Milton to face the 1-22-0-1 IceHawks follows on Friday, the North York Rangers are here Saturday for a 7:30 p.m. puck drop and the Raiders visit the St. Michael's Buzzers in Toronto on Sunday afternoon.

## GEORGETOWN'S JUNIOR JAGUARS SWEEP AQUINAS TO CAPTURE HCAA TITLE



Christ the King's Jaguars photo

Team members (front, from left) are: Thomas Off, Alex Podoski. Middle row: Jordan Drake, Matthieu Verdon, Benjamin Dewmyn, Johnathan Corbett, Edwards MacDonald. Back row: Coach Matthew Wannamaker, Mattias Terpstra, Johnathan Stables, Caleb Douglas, Noah Warkentin, Dylan Verboon, Isaac Martins, coach Adam Crowe. Absent: Brennan Kennedy.

## Novice AA Thunder triumphs in Stoney Creek

The Halton Hills Thunder Novice AA team earned the gold medals after winning the 34th annual AA Tournament of Champions in Stoney Creek last weekend, defeating Brampton 5-0 in the final.

The Thunder won all five of its tournament games.

**Preliminary round**  
Halton Hills 6, Stoney Creek 1; Halton Hills 3, Brampton 1; Halton Hills 7, Mimico 2

**Semifinal**  
Halton Hills 5, Mimico 2

**Final**  
Halton Hills 5, Brampton 0



Novice AA Thunder photo

Team members (front, from left) are: Matteo Moreira, Nathan Larose. Second row: Trystan Tate, Josh Grootendorst, Quentin Ryan, Brodie Haynes, Tylar Fairhead, Lucas Brown, Alex Henein, Landon Bellchamber. Third row: Jack Walker, Declan Thain, Isaac Snell, Liam Burgess, Cameron Wigle, Mathaios Barlas. Back row: Head coach Steve Brown, trainer Duncan Thain, assistant coaches Keith Bellchamber, Kevin Haynes.

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