

SPORTS & LEISURE



Georgetown District High School graduate Cam Wilkinson (centre) has signed on to play football and take film studies at Wilfrid Laurier University later this year. At left is Golden Hawks' area scout Dave Morrissey of Georgetown and at right is Rebels' head football coach Andrew Costley.

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Versatile Wilkinson set for new role at Laurier

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A quarterback during his recently completed time at Georgetown District High School, Cam Wilkinson has some studying to do for a change of position with Wilfrid Laurier University's varsity football team.

But then, the 18-year-old Wilkinson is used to adapting to different roles as an aspiring actor who is enrolled in Laurier's film studies program, and one day hopes to also become a showstopper in the Golden Hawks' defensive backfield.

"Even in high school, I was getting razzed by guys on the football team about being cast as Vince Fontaine in (GDHS's student production of) *Grease*," laughed the 6-foot-1, 185-pound Wilkinson, who has had bit parts in movies and TV shows and also done some modeling.

"I've committed to acting. That's my dream and it's something I want to be involved with, whether that's a film critic or working in an agency or being a drama teacher. We'll see where it takes me."

As a member of the Georgetown Rebels' senior gridiron squad last year, Wilkinson saw plenty of playing time on both sides of the ball for a team that started the season 0-3. But the short-staffed Rebels rallied, with Wilkinson scoring two touchdowns and providing excellent

defence in a 19-13 upset of third-place St. Thomas Aquinas of Oakville in the first round of Halton Tier II playoffs.

"Cam's not a huge guy but the way he'd hit guys, every hit seemed like a monster hit," said Morrissey, who has also recruited Christ the King students Haydn Gaskill-Cadwallader and Tudor Bertiean to come to Laurier starting this fall.

"Cam's a smart player who I saw play many different positions well—linebacker, defensive back, running back. University players usually end up changing positions a lot. Some guys come in thinking that they're going to play this and it ends up being that, so the fact Cam's already played in different spots bodes well for him in terms of opportunities."

Wilkinson took part in Golden Hawks' intra-squad game earlier this month will line up this summer for the North Halton Crimson Tide club program's varsity squad, which he missed playing with last year during their run to an OMFL title due to work commitments. The Tide has helped produce several Canadian university players the past few years.

"I want to go down to Laurier in two or three years and see multiple Georgetown players on the field," added Morrissey.

"I've told people that this is my town and I want to get all these players so that pretty soon we'll be calling them the Halton Hills Golden Hawks."

Minor lacrosse to field several girls' rep teams

For the first time, the Halton Hills Minor Lacrosse Association is operating rep girls' field teams this spring and summer and needs players to fill out the rosters.

The Georgetown-based Lady Bulldogs are fielding teams at the under-11, under-13, under-15, under-17 and under-19 age groups that will play in the Ontario Women's Field Lacrosse League.

The teams will play their games mostly in weekend tournaments, with practices twice a week. Regular-season games begin May 11-12.

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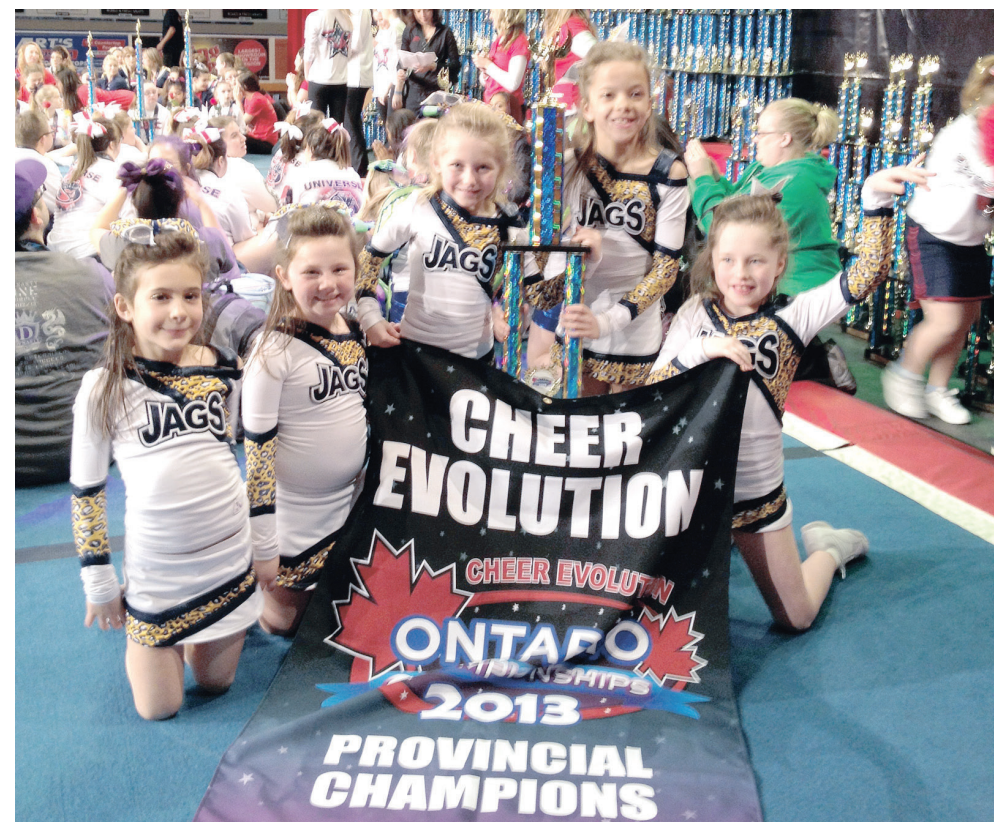
School is running a varsity girls' field lacrosse program for a second year at the junior varsity and varsity levels and the Jaguars will play their first home games this Friday evening against Stephen Lewis of Mississauga.

The JVs play at 6:15 p.m. and the varsity squad takes the field at 7:15 p.m.

CtK's girls will entertain Lorne Park the following Friday night and host their inaugural tournament May 3.

In other HHMLA news, the second-annual Bulldog Boogie fundraising dance is set for Saturday, April 27 at the Gellert Community Centre.

Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased from LeeAnn McNair at bulldogs44.lm@gmail.com



Not-so-mini achievement for Jaguars

The Cheerforce Jaguars' All-Star Mini team from Georgetown were declared winners of the 7-9 age group after their performance at the recent provincial championships in Kitchener. Pictured above, from left, are: Isabelle Wilkinson, Olivia Somers, Nicole Harding, Danielle Blandford-Grosse, Samantha Harding. This group will also compete at the national championships May 11-12 in Niagara Falls and as a tune-up, took top spot in their category at the Spring Classic event last weekend (April 14) at the Pow-erade Centre in Brampton. The Cheerforce Jaguars had several teams fare well at the provincial meet, including the Large Senior squad, which won its division. The Small Seniors were runners-up, Junior placed four and Youth took fifth spot in its category.

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