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## No time off for local figure skating star

BY JANET MARSHALL

Balmy breezes and wet weather did not dampen the youthful exuberance of several competitive skaters with the Acton Figure Skating Club. While many young people spent their summer swimming, roller-blading or just plain "lazing around," these youngsters were participating in rigorous skating-training programs that sometimes left them sore and tired, but even more determined and motivated to be the best that they can be.

One such skater is Krista Petty of Rockwood, whose hard work and spirit paid off recently when she placed second at the Ontario Central Section Summer Competition in Thornhill in August. Krista competed in the Pre-Novice Ladies Freestyle category.

Krista continues to make successful leaps and bounds within the skating community and this year she was one of the province's proud recipients of a bursary for up-and-coming skaters. The bursary is sponsored by the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation. Krista was selected by the Ontario Figure Skating's Development Committee as the recipient of the Enriched Training Assistance Award for talented summer skaters. This award is a culmination of the COS talent identification program in

which Krista has been an on-going participant of since March of this year. It all began with a selection committee from COS inviting top skaters to participate in the program, which consists of a figure, freeskate and interview elimination process. Skaters standing at sub-section level for the 1991-92 season are also taken into consideration.

Following the initial interview day, successful candidates were notified of a second participation day. Krista attended, finished with a sixth overall placing and qualified for a bursary.

Krista was also asked to try out for a freeskate pair team selection this summer. Although she qualified, Krista decided to forego pairs skating at this time because she would have had to move away from home, school, friends and family. Having just turned 14, Krista feels she will have plenty of time to follow that dream.

Krista recently passed two-thirds of her Novice Competitive test acquiring, the Freeskate and Elements portions towards competing at the sub-sectional level of competition this fall. Krista has certainly proven her ability this year as an up-and-coming young skater. Krista is coached by Patte Boekhorst of Guelph.



THROUGH THE MIDDLE! A Frizzell Electric forward strikes the ball as a pair of Advance Woodworking defenders try to squeeze him out in playoff action at McKenzie-Smith on Sunday. (Mike Albano photo)

## Acton soccer Cup Day wraps up season's play with style

The town and teams of the Acton Soccer League met Saturday and Sunday for their traditional cup weekend to wrap up this season's play.

The weather was perfect and excitement and tension ran high among spectators, players and coaches. In all but a few glaring instances, sportsmanship prevailed among team members and spectators.

In the Squirt Under-8 division, the players had a wonderful time regardless of the outcome. All teams played with enthusiasm and were not worried about anything but having fun.

In the quarter-finals, four equal teams made for two very exciting and close games. Mr. Mugs and Rockwood OPP took their game into scoreless overtime and shut-out. After the first five shooters, Mr. Mugs went ahead with a score of 2-1. MacMillan's met Rockwood Campbell's Soup in even end-to-end soccer, but MacMillan's prevailed 2-0.

For the final Squirt match Mr. Mugs and MacMillan's squared off, played great soccer, with the edge going to MacMillan's who won 3-0.

Congratulations MacMillan's! Things were more tense in Atom Under-10 action. All teams were evenly matched and the Cup could have gone to any of them. In the end, all three Acton teams went through to the semi-finals.

In the first semi, Super Submarine took on the strong H.E.A.D.S. team and played an excellent

game, coming away with a 3-1 win.

In the second semi-final, Acton Pharmacy met with Acton Cleaners. Both teams played their hearts out and Cleaners were up 2-0 at one point, but Pharmacy made a come-back and ended the game on the winning end of a 3-2 score.

In the final game the tension was unreal as Super Submarine faced Pharmacy.

Both teams were evenly matched, but it was Super Submarine that scored the first goal of the game. Strong play from Super Sub kept the ball from their end, but with ten minutes left Pharmacy made an excellent play and that, combined with the disruptive conduct of some spectators, allowed Pharmacy to even the score.

The tie remained at the end of the game, at the end of overtime and going into penalty shots. After the first five shooters, the score remained unbroken. Finally it was the Super Submarine team who broke the tie and won 5-4.

Congratulations to Super Sub!

Like the Squirt games, the Mosquito Under-12 semis were dramatic and nerve-wracking with both favoured teams finding themselves close to upsets. The Hillsburgh-Erin Guelph OPP team and their Boston Mills Press team faced off in the first semi. Even play and a strong effort resulted in a no score tie game at the end of both regulation play and overtime. The impasse was finally broke during shoot-out with Boston Mills winning 1-0.

Frizzell Electric and Rockwood Story Electric met in the second semi. Again excellent play was the order of the day and the game was well matched. Frizzell earned their place in the finals 3-2 in a hard-fought victory with Story making them work every step of the way.

In the final Boston Mills pulled off a 4-1 win over Frizzell Electric. With the tough semis and fatigue affecting the players, both teams still managed good games.

Grand Valley IGA won the Peewee final with a 2-0 score over Al & Al's Red Brand Meats. Both teams were strong in round robin play and went into the final deadlocked. The teams were tired and Al & Al's had some injuries and the game was not as intense as anticipated.

Thanks to all teams, coaches, sponsors and spectators for a great season of soccer and fun.

A special thanks to the referees, officials and linespersons who worked Cup games including Richard VanDer Wal, Pat Graham, John Stevens, Steve Rogers, Tom Ford, Tim Jackson, Janisse Bailey, Steve Bailey, Dale Stewart, Jeremy Adema, Carolyn Kinnon, Marissa Fread, Melissa Hill, Marc Vandenakker, Brian Stewart, Scott McIntyre, Shelagh Bailey and Charisse Cuthbert.

Thanks as well to the club presidents in local towns including H.E.A.D.S.'s Jenny Frankland, Rockwood's Paul Metcalfe, Grand Valley's Mike Highdale and Acton's Steve Bailey.



Rockwood's Krista Petty finished in second place at last month's Ontario Central Section Summer Competition in Thornhill.