

Raiders drop overtime decision to Rangers

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The Georgetown Raiders couldn't hold onto another third period lead Tuesday night and dropped a 4-3 overtime decision, this time to the Junior Rangers at Teen Ranch.

While coming back to claim a 3-2 advantage early in the final frame, the Raiders coughed up their lead in the last three minutes of regulation time.

From there, they held on for

over four minutes of the five minute sudden-death overtime span, only to have Ranger Chris Flanigan nail down the winner with 49 seconds remaining. Assisting on the winner were Adam Nittel and Frank Demasi.

Georgetown's winless skid now stands at eight games. However, the point for the overtime loss has tied them with last year's point total of eight.

"I thought we played well in the first two periods, but sat back on our heels for much of

the third," said general manager Jules Russiani. "Their (Rangers) tying goal came on a big miscue by our defence.

"It seems we're getting beat in the last 10 minutes of every game. We can play with anybody for two-and-a-half periods but these guys are going to have to stay strong for 60 full minutes."

Working the net for Georgetown was Jonathan McCarthy, who allowed one goal in each of the three periods.

Leading the way for the Raiders was rookie J.P. DiFazio with both third period goals. DiFazio has been a steady contributor on the forward lines since his return from a bout with mononucleosis three weeks ago. He now has six goals and four assists in seven games.

Also scoring was captain David Bouskill while first-year defenceman Joel French helped set up both of DiFazio's goals. Brad Cripps, Marco Presutti and Steve Guiney chipped in

with single helpers.

Flanigan's overtime winner was his second of the game. Nittel also potted a pair while Demasi assisted twice.

Meanwhile, Russiani continues his search for a new head coach. Interm skipper Merlin Bradley was behind the bench Tuesday.

The Raiders took on Burlington and Oakville this weekend. Their next home game is Saturday, November 4 against the first place Bramalea Blues.

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Sabres edge Fergus

The Acton Atom II Sabres defeated Fergus 3-2 last Saturday in Tri-county Hockey League action.

Three unanswered goals in the third period by Acton were the difference. Nick Mastro scored two goals and Brian Field added the other.

Goaltender Chris Schiller made several key saves in the second and third period's to keep Fergus off the score board.

Acton remains undefeated with 4 wins and a tie.

Non-contact action

Last weeks results for the Georgetown Non-Contact Hockey League were, George and Dragon 1 over Charlie Fitzwhiskey's, Chrysler Vipers beat George and Dragon Blues, Pacific Western Express defeated Royal Pizza, and Classic Honda beat Speedy Muffler.

Standings have Pacific Western Express and Chrysler Vipers tied for first with six points. Royal Pizza and George and Dragon 1 are tied with 4 points. Classic Honda and George and Dragon Blues are tied with 2 points. While Charlie Fitzwhiskey's and Speedy Muffler have yet to record a point.

Over-50 league

Anyone over 50 years old is invited to join a group of about 15 people who started an Old Timer's Hockey League.

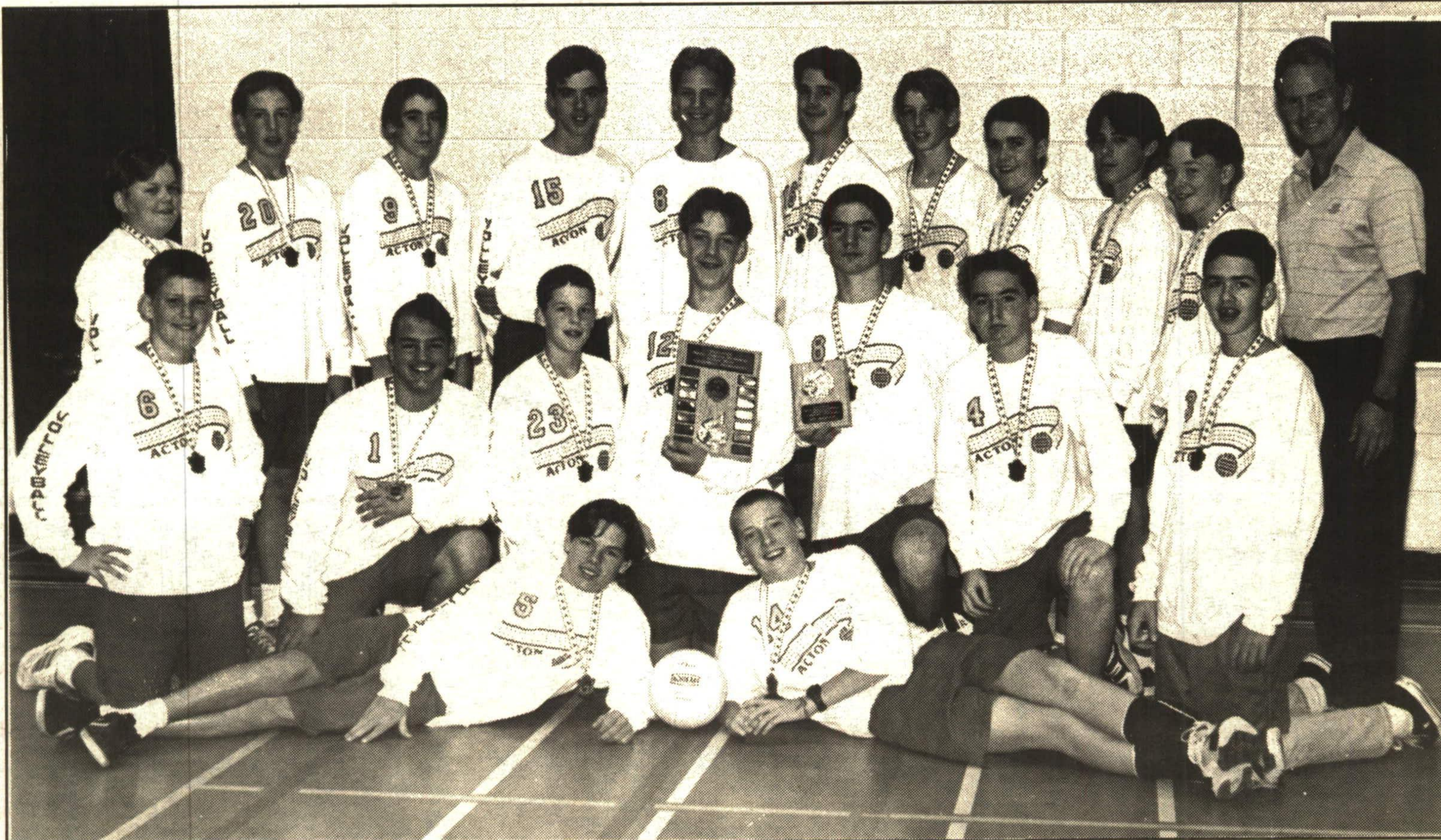
The group plans from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursdays. They are in need of more players, especially people interested in playing goalie (in fact, they don't mind if the goalies are younger).

For more information or to sign on for the season, call Bill Kent at 877-4529.

Hurricanes draw

The Halton Minor Novice AAA Hurricanes came away with a win and a loss in action last week, earning a 1-1 draw with Chinguacousy but falling 3-0 to St. Catharines.

Chris Louth was solid between the Hurricane pipes in the 1-1 tie, while Anthony Murphy fired the lone halton marker from Tyler Holmes.



Tourney champs

Acton Redmen midget boys volleyball team have earned bragging rights following their victory at the recent Mayfield High School tournament, claiming the Bruce Darling Memorial Trophy. The Redmen defeated Georgetown in the semi-final, 15-0, 2-15 and 15-10. They met the host Mayfield, in a 21-point final, claiming a 21-14 victory. Team members include (front, from left) Sandy

Chapman and Ryan Gallagher. Second row; James Mashinter, Mark Chiasson, Andy Kilmer, Daryn McIntyre, Mike Hills, Shaun Lockwood and Jeff Birrell. Third row; Mark Smith, Kyle Artem, Jason Christopher, Adam Ahearn, Jeff Miller, Jeff Newman, Tom Wolfer, Dan Bunt, Matt Henderson, Graham McClure and coach Dave Boycott.

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Rebel runners qualify for cross country finals

The Georgetown runnin' Rebels are on their way to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association (OFSAA) high school cross country championships.

The Rebels turned in some impressive performances at the Golden Horseshoe finals on Wednesday at Kelso and will now send two teams and a

individual runner to the all-Ontario finals in London next Saturday.

Jenn Otten was the top Rebel runner on an individual basis, finishing with the silver medal in the midget girls event. That coupled with outstanding results from teammates Sheena Butler 11th, Cailin Wall 24th, Michelle

Golek 37th and Christianne Lent 8th, gave the Georgetown squad a first place finish in the division with 45 points.

The Rebels also captured the junior girls event with an impressive total of 27 points. Points are accumulated by adding up the placing of the top four runners. Lowest total is declared the winner. Roanne

Sones 7th, Meredith Sones 12th, Katie Sterritt 3rd, Amanda Bonnell 5th and Laurie Crocker 32nd made up the championship squad that will now take aim at the provincial crown.

Robbie Adams was the only other Rebel to qualify. He placed third in the midget boys event to earn a spot in London.



DARYA BARBIR

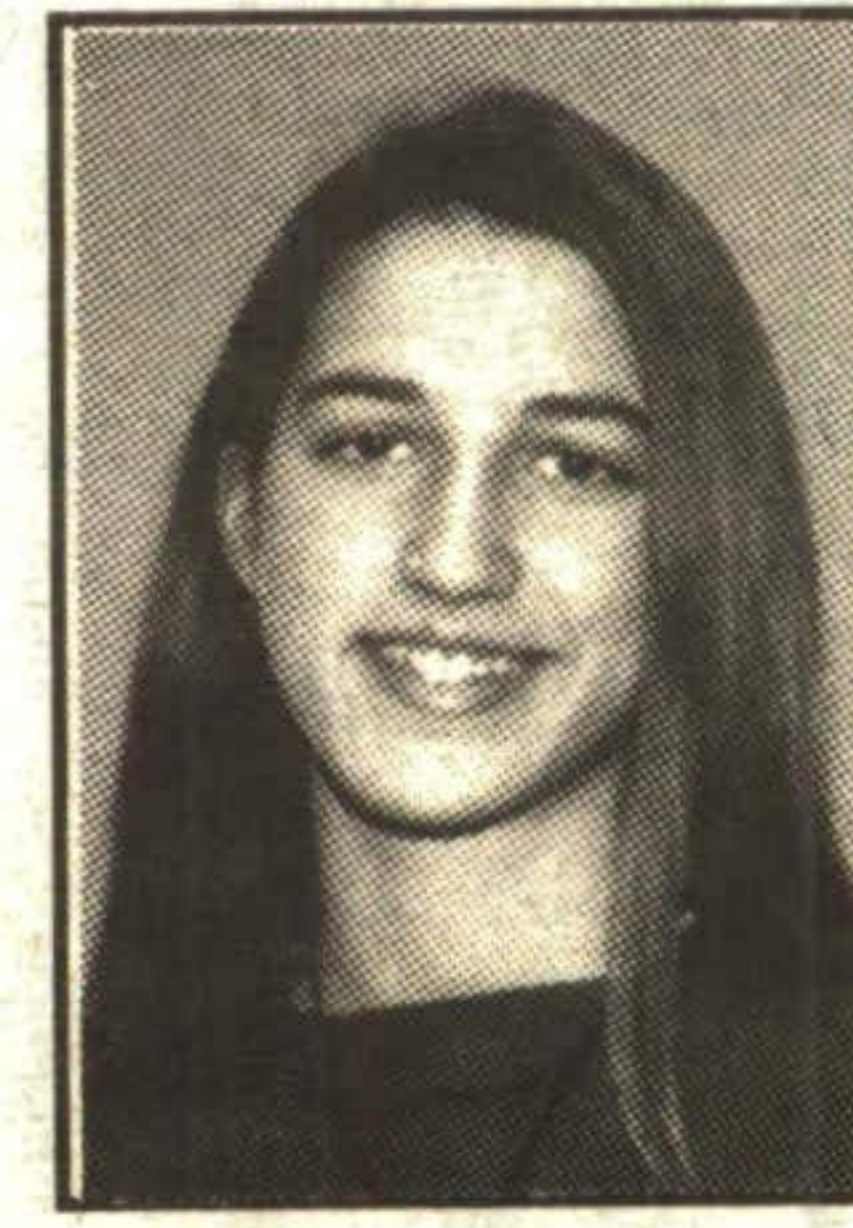


JEFF BIRRELL

Athletes of the Week

The Acton High School Athletes of the Week are Darya Barbir and Jeff Birrell. Darya was selected for her leadership with the midget girls basketball team. Jeff was chosen for his contribution to the Redmen midget boys volleyball team.

Georgetown District High School Athletes of the Week are Leah Cosgrove and Matt Jones. Leah was recognized for her contribution to the Rebels midget girls basketball team. Matt was selected for his performance with the Rebels midget boys volleyball team.



LEAH COSGROVE



MATT JONES