On Wilson Junior Golf Tour

Georgetown's Fry runaway rookie winner

hris Fry made quite a first impression as he recently earned the Todd Shannon Memorial Trophy as the rookie of the year on the Wilson Junior Golf Tour.

The 17-year-old golfer did it in convincing fashion, too. He accumulated 388.5 points over the seven tour stops to finish second in the overall standings. Jeremy Dennie of Hidden Lake was closest challenger in the rookie of the year race with 361 points (seventh overall).

Fry's standing took him a little by surprise. He had set his sights on a top-15 finish, the cutoff for exemptions for next year's tour. However, it didn't take long for him realize he could do much better when he shot even par and finished second at the tour's opening event.

"I didn't really know the field but after that first tournament I knew I could at least compete," Fry said. "I knew I had the game to play with these guys."

Fry took up golf when he was six, following his dad Les around Georgetown Golf Club and hitting a few shots as he walked the course with him. By the time he was eight he had his own membership. Over the next nine years he worked on the long, straight drives that have become the strength of his game.

Fry said what he needs to improve is the mental aspect of the game and overcoming bad shots.

"I have to stay focused," he said. "I sometimes get a little rattled if I make a bad shot. I just have to stay in there the whole 18 holes."

Fry said that's what hurt him in the final round of the recent Bill Millar Challenge in Port Elgin. After solid rounds of 71 and 74, Fry shot a 79 in the third round.

"I just started thinking about the what ifs too much," he said.

Still, he finished eighth in the 54 golfer field. Fry said the Wilson Tour and the Millar Challenge was a great way to get some competitive experience under his belt.

"It gave me some tournament experience," said Fry, who hopes to get a golf scholarship after completing his OAC courses this year. "You can go out and play a round with your friends and have fun but I think these tournaments will really help me out in the future."

Clinic for hockey coaches set for this weekend

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department will be offering a clinic for prospective competitive hockey coaches this weekend at the Acton Arena.

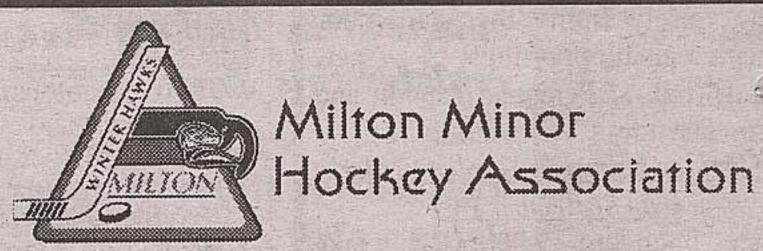
Coaches are required to have completed this course which covers the role of the coach, organizing practices and hockey skill development, including goaltending, risk management and other relevant topics.

The clinic will run Saturday, Sept. 18 and Sunday, Sept. 19 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and includes three hours of ice time. Cost is \$100 per person and includes refreshments but not lunch.

Those attending must bring a hockey stick, helmet and skates. Halton Hills volunteers will receive half back upon successful completion of the course.

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