

PULLOUT SECTION

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Lack of attack sinks Acton squad

It was a trial by fire for Acton's senior girls basketball team. The recently merged junior and senior squads were playing together for the first time as they headed into Wednesday's qualifier for the Ontario Federation of Schools Athletic Association (OFSAA) A tournament. Acton had hoped for some early game action with the combined team but its first qualifier was canceled.

That sent them up against Queensway Christian, which had qualified for four consecutive OFSAA tournaments, and the result was a 39-7 loss.

Acton did a good job of containing Queensway in the early going, allowing only two points in the first five minutes. But as Queensway got more aggressive, they forced turnovers and built a 9-2 lead.

Acton again adjusted at the end of the half, allowing just two points over the last four minutes of the half but by that time were down 18-4.

"We burned a lot of energy breaking their presses," said coach Jamie Shepherd. "Each time we did they went to a different press. We were just playing catch up."

Acton did a better job of mounting some offence in the second half but couldn't get the shots to drop.

Despite the loss, Acton will still get to participate in the OFSAA tournament in Sturgeon Falls. The tournament begins next Wednesday.

"The goal will be to win a game," Shepherd said. "It will be a good experience for these girls, though."

—By Herb Garbutt, staff writer



Meighan McIntyre looks for an escape route as she is surrounded by a pair of Queensway Christian opponents in Wednesday's senior girls basketball game. The strong Queensway squad posted a 39-7 victory but Acton will still get the opportunity to move on to OFSAA.

Photo by Herb Garbutt

Rebels seeded third at OFSAA tourney

The Georgetown District High School Rebels begin their quest for an Ontario Federation of Schools Athletic Association (OFSAA) medal today (Friday).

The Rebels enter the provincial AAA tournament seeded third. Other top seeded teams are Kitchener's Grand River (1); Toronto's Francis Libermann (2) and Barrie's Eastview (4).

Georgetown will play in a pool with Mississauga's Gordon Graydon, Oshawa's Eastdale and Toronto's Kipling.

The top two teams in each pool will advance to play on Saturday. The medal round games will be played at Mary Ward, 3200 Kennedy Road in Scarborough. The bronze medal game is at 7 p.m. and the gold medal game is at 8:30 p.m.

Hurricanes win tourney

Arron Alphonso scored the winning goal as the Halton Ontario Energy Savings Minor Peewee Hurricanes edged York Simcoe 3-2 in the final of the Wally Beavis Memorial Tournament in Peterborough.

Jeff Bayley netted the tying goal and set up Alphonso for Halton's first marker.

Alphonso, set up by Chris Darling, scored the winner in a 4-3 semifinal win over Peterborough. Matthew Price, Jonathan Harnett and Michael Kosziwka had the other goals.

In round robin play, Halton defeated Ajax/Pickering 3-1, doubled Amherst 4-2 and downed North Central Ontario 3-1. Kosziwka paced the Hurricanes with a goal and four assists. Alphonso had three goals and Bayley, Garrett Noiles and Price had three points each.

Leaving the house

Tara Hall delivers a rock at the Dunlop Bonspiel at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. The Georgetown rink of Ian Muir, Shelley Sheridan, Brad Sheridan and Wayne Peasgood took top honors in the event. The bonspiel raised more than \$3,000 for the Georgetown campus of the William Osler Health Centre and the United Way of Halton Hills.



Photo by Eve Martin

Athletes of the Week



JOE BRUNELLE

The Acton High School Athletes of the Week are Joe Brunelle and Laura Anne Sheehan.

Brunelle, a power on the senior Red Storm volleyball team, was chosen for his effective offensive play against St. Paul of Mississauga.



LAURA ANNE SHEEHAN

Sheehan, a forward on the senior Redmen basketball team, was cited for her contribution to the team that led them to the OFSAA qualifiers.

Georgetown District High School Athletes of the Week are Jodey Nurse and Mike Haines.



JODEY NURSE

Nurse, a post on the junior Rebels basketball team, was selected for scoring four points against Oakville-Trafalgar recently.

Haines, a middle and setter on the junior Rebels volleyball team, was honoured for his good serving and defence.



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