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Kaitlin Koppers (left) of Georgetown Farmer's Market and Forest Green's Anja Vesterback (right) and Lauren Hutchings (back) race for the ball in Girls Under-7 play at the Georgetown Soccer Club's Finals Day at the Croatian Centre.

Photo by Trish Wilkinson

Beach volleyball duo fourth at world tourney

They may not be on top of the world, but they were close.

Georgetown's Reid Hall teamed up with Adam Podstawka of Ancaster to post Canada's bestever finish at the Under-18 Beach Volleyball Championships. The duo finished fourth in their first international competition, just missing out on reaching the podium when they were beaten 21-15, 21-14 by Latvia's Janis Smedins and Ingars Ivanovs.

"We trained really hard and our goal was to win worlds," Hall said. "I didn't think the competition would be as tough as it was so we're pretty happy with how we did."

Hall and Podstawka, seeded 10th in the tournament, upset several top-seeded teams to reach the bronze medal game, including this year's European silver medallists,

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Soccer club declares champs

It went down to the wire at the Georgetown Soccer Club's Finals Day.

Two of the division championships were settled by a shootout, two more went into overtime while three others were decided by one goal.

Veronique Fauvelle scored three times to help the Tartan Rangers force overtime with the Girls Under-15 league champion Asbuilt Climatecare, who got a pair of goals from Samantha Yiu and one from Claire Buxton. When overtime didn't produce a winner, it went to a shootout and the Rangers scored the upset 4-3 victory.

The league champion was also pushed to overtime in the Girls Under-18 division. This time the champs held off the challengers as Minuteman Press scored a 1-0 victory over Orange.

The Red Devils backed up their Girls Under-11 league championship with a 1-0 win over Snap-on-Tools. Kara Fry had the game's only goal.

Delta defeated Baynes Physiotherapy 1-0 in the Girls Under-13 Cup final. Dominos Pizza was the league champ.

Nicholson Networking had the toughest road to the championship in the Boys Under-11 division. They edged Drew's Containers 3-2 in a shootout and then went to overtime before slipping past the Credit Valley Shriners 4-3 in overtime. The Shriners advanced to the final by beating Orange 4-3.

In the Boys Under-13 final it was Industrial Refrigerated downing Sunpac 1-0 in the championship game. Prism Printing was the league

The Boys Under-16 league champion, Kinsmen Club, was upset in the Cup final as White doubled the Kinsmen 4-2.

In Boys Under-5 play from Finals Day, Brendan Smith scored all five of his team's goals to lead Timbits White to a 5-0 victory over Timbits Navy.

Alexander Panzani and Nathan Pobger each scored twice and Evan Stull added another as Timbits Orange blanked Timbits Forest 5-0. Matthew Clark scored both goals in Timbits Burgundy 2-0 win over Timbits Kelly and Nicholas Deakin-Poot's two goals helped Timbits Red earn a 2-2 tie with Timbits Blue.

Alexander Daigle had the only goal as Timbits Purple edged Timbits Teal 1-0. Alexander Ratcliffe had Timbits Neon Green's goal in a 1-1 tie with Timbits Sky Blue. Timbits Orange topped Timbits Yellow 5-3. Chase Spencer scored twice and Joshua Kerr added another for Timbits Yellow. Cameron MacLeod, Joshua Ekins and Lucas Kells scored as Timbits Gold blanked Timbits Silver 3-0.

Jordan Baekler and Nathan Cowle scored to lead Forest Green to a 2-1 victory over End Zone Sports Exchange. Tristen LeRoy had the End Zone goal.

Jordan Stacey scored four times as the Cabana Boys downed Shoeless Joe's 4-1.

In Girls Under-7 play, Lauren Rock and Rebecca Varela scored to lead Georgetown Farmer's Market to a 2-0 victory over Forest Green.

In the Girls Under-8 division, Amanda Ekins scored the game's only goal as All Brite Janitor Service edged the Halton Elementary Teachers 1-0.



Ontario's new free vaccines will protect kids

The government of Ontario is helping kids stay safe from chicken pox and meningococcal meningitis, and helping families by adding these free vaccinations to the routine immunization schedule. Here's how it works:

- Vaccines for chicken pox and meningococcal meningitis are now available for one-year-old children in Ontario born on or after September 1, 2003.
- Starting in January 2005, 5-year-olds who haven't had chicken pox can also get the vaccine, as well as high-risk people of any age.
- Also starting in January 2005, 12-year-olds, 15- to 19-year-olds and high-risk people of any age will be eligible for free meningococcal meningitis vaccinations.

For more information, talk to your doctor or local public health unit. Call 1-877-234-4343. TTY 1-800-387-5559.

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