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Georgetown Raiders goalie Ryan Gibb steers the puck away from the front of his net while teammate Erik Lundmark keeps an eye on Oakville Blades' Adam Shoff during the Raiders' 2-1 win Wednesday at Alcott Arena in Provincial Jr. A Hockey League action. Photo by Ted Brown

## Raiders cut down Blades 2-1

The Georgetown Raiders discovered a not-so-secret cure Wednesday night for what has been ailing them of late—hard work.

The Raiders, who suddenly found themselves in a six-team dogfight for playoff positioning in the Provincial Jr. A Hockey League's West Conference after losing four straight games, edged the Oakville Blades 2-1 at Alcott Arena in a match that had the feel of a playoff contest.

"We can't afford to give away any points," said Raider forward Rob Sgarbossa, who netted the winning goal on a power play with 5:14 left in the third period. "There's two points separating second from eighth (actually six separating third from eighth now) so we've got to come to play every night."

Sgarbossa netted the winning marker while Oakville's Julian Cimadore was serving a hooking penalty—one of nine power plays the Blades afforded the Raiders.

"(Mike) Gurtler tried to centre it and it hit me and went in," said Sgarbossa of the winning tally.

Both Raider netminder Ryan Gibb and Oakville's David

Scamurra turned in solid games as the Raiders held a 28-27 edge in shots on goal. Both puckstoppers pulled off big saves in the third frame on former teammates as Gibb slid across the net to rob Kyle Frieday while Scamurra stopped former Blade Austin Corredato on a breakaway.

Oakville opened the scoring in the first frame before Corredato connected at the 19:25 mark of the first to tie the game on passes from Gurtler and Sgarbossa. Corredato also got an assist on Sgarbossa's winner.

Sgarbossa was pleased to see his club put in a 60-minute effort.

"Finally. We played hard. That was a big game for us," he said.

The win moved the Raiders into sole possession of third place with 30 points. Burlington trails Georgetown by two points but hold four games in hand while the Blades sit three back of the Raiders with two games in hand.

**RAIDER RAP:** The Raiders host division-leading Milton tomorrow (Saturday) at Alcott Arena at 7:30 p.m. then enjoy a week off before hosting last-place Buffalo Dec. 3.

## Twisters' sixth annual tourney draws 81 teams this weekend

The North Halton Twisters Girls Hockey Association will host its sixth annual tournament this weekend with a total of 81 teams competing in 10 divisions at both Mold-Masters SportsPlex ice pads and Acton Arena.

Play began today (Friday) and will run through until Sunday

with championship games being played Sunday afternoon.

The Twisters will ice teams in all 10 divisions—Novice House League, Atom House League, Pee wee A, Pee wee House League, Bantam A/BB, Bantam B, Bantam House League, Midget B, Midget/Intermediate House League and Senior A.

## Rep hockey roundup Minor Bantam Selects fall twice to Oakville

Georgetown Hungry Man Minor Bantam Select Raiders were handed a pair of losses against Oakville squads.

**Oakville Thompson 2, Georgetown 0:**

**Oakville Bissett 4, Georgetown 2:** Josh Scace, Jason Puckering (G), Dylan Mercer, Ross McCracken, Tom Woodward (A).

### Major Pee wee Select Raiders

Mark Crandall netted two goals and John Jackson and Brandon Billie supplied shutout netminding to lead Georgetown United Lumber Home Hardware Major Pee wee Raiders past Caledon 6-0.

**Georgetown 6, Caledon 0:** Crandall (2G); Jake Sipak (G, 2A); Evan Flynn (G, A); Connor Sprayson, Michael Mansi (G); Jeremy Marrows, Darrell Geerlinks, Dylan Auty, and Corey Hayward (A).

### Midget AE Raiders

Georgetown Multi-Glass Insulation Raiders received goals from four different players in downing Orangeville 4-2.

**Arthur 5, Georgetown 2:** Geoff Bannerman, Adam Castle (G); Scott Crandall, Michael Weber, Zack Laidlaw (A).

**Woolwich 2, Georgetown 1:** Weber (G); Bannerman, Laidlaw (A).

**Georgetown 4, Arthur 3:** Matt Davies, Bannerman, Mark Walkington, Drew Wenham (G), Crandall (A); Stephen Bruce (W).

**Georgetown 5, Flamborough 3:** Bannerman (G, A); Thomas Neely, Wenham, Davies, Crandall (G); David Robinson, Weber, Walkington, Kyle Lockwood, Laidlaw, Lee Thomson, (A); Denan Hardiman (W).

**Georgetown 4, Orangeville 2:** Crandall (G, A); Weber, Alex Desmond, Lockwood, (G); Neely (2A); Bannerman, Davies, Dave Robinson, Walkington, Thomson, (A); Stephen Bruce (W).

### Minor Midget AE Raiders

With only a one-hour rest between games, the Georgetown Family Optical Minor Midget AE Raiders fell just short of the consolation final at the 10-team Huntsville Tournament.

**Georgetown 5, Parry Sound 2; Huntsville 2, Georgetown 1; Georgetown 2, Petawawa 2:** Shane Sprayson (2G 2A); Andrew Best (G, 2A); Adam Salisbury, Eric Wenham, Mackenzie Doell (G, A); David Carscadden, Chris Larade (G); Cody Matthews (2A); Joseph Lizewski, Sean Sargent (A); Adam Miziolek (W, T).

### Bantam Raiders

The Georgetown RV Major Bantam AA Raiders managed to down the Aurora Tigers for the first time since 1997 at a Stoney Creek tournament but fell 4-0 to Hamilton in the title game.

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