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Raiders starting to click at the right time

Three consecutive wins in four days have put the Georgetown Raiders back in the hunt with Oakville and Burlington for the coveted third spot in the OHA Provincial Jr. A Hockey League's West Conference standings.

And with six games left in their regular season, the fifth-place Raiders would appear to be in good position to leapfrog past those two teams based on the records of their remaining opponents. Georgetown is tied with Burlington and two points back of Oakville with a game in hand on both. The Raiders visit Oakville for the final meeting between the two sides this year on Friday and the winner will likely end up with a more favourable first-round playoff matchup, avoiding a possible collision with powerhouse Milton in the second round. The season series between the Blades and Raiders is tied 2-2.

The 22-15-4-2 Raiders posted back-to-back shutouts—3-0 in Burlington Friday and 8-0 over ninth-place Bramalea here on Saturday evening—then struggled at times in a 5-2 win over Mississauga in Port Credit on Monday night.

Centre David Jarman, acquired by Georgetown from Wexford just before Christmas, scored twice on Monday against Mississauga, including the insurance marker with 24 seconds left in the third period into an empty net. As he clutched the team's nightly player-of-the-game mini-trophy afterward, the 19-year-old Jarman said that his move to Georgetown has been a refreshing change.

An aspiring teacher who was coached by his father Frank for eight years in the Young Nats' minor hockey organization, the 5-foot-11, 195-pound Toronto resident earned a scholarship to attend Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut begin-



Mississauga Chargers' goalie Mike Iafate and his defender, Andrew Amodeo, try to get to a rebound before Georgetown winger Mike Gurtler during their encounter on Monday night at Port Credit Memorial Arena, which ended in a 5-2 Raider win.

Photo by Eamonn Maher

ning in September. "I've found it amazing how much more intense the hockey is in this division compared to the South," added, who has 18 goals and 20 assists in 40 games for 2005-06. "I've been treated so well here. It took a little while to get going, but now I'm starting to put up the points. For me to get ready for next year, I've been working out twice a week, and on the ice, I've just been working on the fundamentals, playing

sound defensively, trying to be a complete player."

Mike Gurtler, with his team-leading 26th goal, Wade Finegan and Adam Campbell added singles in the victory over eighth-place Mississauga.

Eight different Raiders hit the scoresheet in Saturday's rout of Bramalea, with rookie Cameron Healy recording his second shutout of the campaign. Finegan, Jarman, first-star Alex Paiement, Marc Marchese, Gurtler, Andrew

Dennis, Erik Lundmark and George Lovatsis accounted for the goal scoring.

Veteran Ryan Gibb blocked all 12 of the shots directed his way in Georgetown's dominating performance at Burlington last Friday, with Jarman, Lovatsis and Dennis finding the net.

Besides this Friday's game with Oakville and Mississauga here on Saturday night, the Raiders face last-place Buffalo twice, Bramalea and Streets-

ville to close out the regular season.

"At this time of year, it isn't that our players can't get motivated to play, it's more about the style of game that the other team is playing and how we react to that," said Georgetown coach Jay Anderson. "If the other team is playing pond hockey, it's easy to fall into that style ourselves and become careless. What we have to do consistently—and what we did so effectively against Burlington—is to concentrate more on being sticklers for detail and get our feet back to playing under systems."

RAIDER RAP: Raider defender Ryan Lee suffered what Anderson termed a lower-body injury and it isn't certain when the 19-year-old from Caledon will return...Georgetown defenders Frank DeAngelis and Erik Lundmark will be in Mississauga tonight for the OPJHL's all-star game, to be played in Port Credit beginning at 7 p.m...First-place Milton's 23-game unbeaten streak came to an end Sunday in a 4-2 loss to Oakville.

—By Eamonn Maher, staff writer

Annual K of C free-throw event set for Friday

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of the Knights of Columbus Youth Free-Throw Championship Friday, Jan. 27.

Registration will take place from 6:30-7 p.m. at the St. Catherine of Alexandria School Gym at 407 Barber Drive in Georgetown, with the competition to follow.

For entry forms or more information, contact Mauro Uliana at 905-873-4042.

Assistant coach gets suspension

Georgetown Raiders' assistant coach Blaine McCauley was handed a six-game suspension for his part in a hallway scuffle with Hamilton Red Wings' coach John McDonald after a game at the Chedoke Arena on Jan. 9.

The Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) made the ruling after receiving written submissions about what happened from both clubs. McDonald received four games for his involvement. OHA

president Brent Ladds said the extra two games were given to McCauley for a comment the first-year assistant coach made during the game "that may have been the catalyst in igniting what transpired after the game was over."

Both coaches will also be on probation with the OHA for the rest of this season. Warren Nye stood in for McCauley looking after the defensive coaching duties during Monday's contest in Mississauga.

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