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Jags work overtime for win

The Christ the King Jaguars moved into first place in the Halton Secondary School Athletic Association's North Division with a thrilling 37-35 double-overtime victory over cross-town rival Georgetown on Monday in junior boys' basketball. Pictured above, Jordan Uy (5) of the 5-1 Jaguars takes on Rebel centre Chris Pett on a fast break. Uy scored a game-high 14 points, including some crucial free throws in overtime. In Monday's senior game, the host Rebels improved to 8-0 on the regular season with a 62-41 over Christ The King. Dalton Olinoski had 20 points for Georgetown and Gavin Viray-Cox added 18. Don O'Driscoll replied with 13 points for the 2-6 Jags.

Photo by Eamonn Maher

Bearcats drop doubleheader to Reding

Bishop Reding swept a pair of games with the host Acton Bearcats last Thursday in Halton boys' hoops action.

Al Allilovic of Bishop Reding led all scorers with 20 points in the seniors' 59-31

win. Adam Grove dropped in 10 for Acton.

In the junior game, the visitors scored a 71-29 victory. Andrew Tressel had six points for the Bearcats.

Local squad hoping for a 'Goodtime' at pond hockey event

Several Georgetown residents are among hundreds of adult shinny enthusiasts who will be in Muskoka this weekend for the inaugural Canadian Pond Hockey Championships.

About 130 men's and women's teams will take to the 2.4 hectares of natural ice at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville with dreams of getting their names engraved in a trophy made of Canadian maple and then having it displayed in the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.

"That's the closest I'll ever get to being in the Hall," joked local resident Dave Welburn, whose Georgetown Goodtimers are entering two five-player men's squads.

"We're all really into hockey. It's our passion, and we're pretty confident we can do well. But really, our strategy is to give our opponents a false sense of security."

There are few rules for the tournament, with no goalies or on-ice officials. Cost to enter was \$450, with teams having to apply to for acceptance into the tourney, and they were interviewed as part of a selection process. There were several hundred teams on a waiting list.

The event's Web site lists the teams registered and it covers an interesting cross-section of celebrities and characters, including the CEO of a top Japanese bank. Another team, called the Red Light District, which will be captained by Georgetown's Matt Langen, enlisted the services of a player who would be considered a dream ringer by most rec hockey teams—former NHL 50-goal shooter Steve Larmer of Peterborough.

"It's just a few guys from small

towns in Ontario who get together to play on Wednesday mornings at 7 a.m. in Toronto and we are just going up there to have some fun," said Langen, a former Oakville Jr. A Blade. "I don't think we have a realistic chance of winning anything and we're relying on Steve to really come through for us."

Teams will be grouped into pools of six and there is just two divisions—men's and women's—in this tournament, meaning that it's likely a team will have to win all five of its games to advance to Sunday's round of 16 in the men's draw. Organizers say that ice conditions should be ideal for the tournament, but inclement weather



might make for some improvisations.

"That's the freaky thing because it could be raining or snowing or 30 below. If things get too bad we might have to hide out in the beer tent for a while," Langen added.

Also on the list of teams entered are Georgetown's Jim Pirie and Neil Pirie with the DomeX Porkies from South Porcupine, Ont.

Members of the Georgetown Goodtimers are: Captain Dave Welburn, Lanny McCabe, Pete Mashinter, Jay Campbell and Mark David. The Goodtimers' "Second String" consists of Luc Wood, Brad Davidson (a.k.a. "Duke the Dog" at Toronto Marlies' games), Shane Thompson, Jim Kavanagh and Curtis Hoogendan.

Proceeds from the tournament will be directed toward charities.

For more info, visit the Web site www.canadapondhockey.ca.

—By Eamonn Maher, staff writer

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