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High school roundup

Sr. Rebels win own tournament

Dalton Olinoski had a game-high 24 points and was named tournament MVP as his Georgetown senior Rebels captured the championship of their sixth-annual Tip-Off Classic Against Cancer at Georgetown District High School on Saturday, defeating Guelph's J.F. Ross 66-51 in the final.

J.F. Ross led 31-29 at halftime before the veteran-laden Rebels took over, with Brett Neumann serving as an imposing force on defence while scoring 21 points.

Georgetown also thumped Milton District on Monday to improve its record to 4-0 in the Halton North Division and 9-1 overall.

In the junior final, Iroquois Ridge beat Etobicoke's Silverthorn Collegiate 37-35, while Christ the King's junior Jags downed Georgetown 37-19 in the consolation matchup.

This week, Georgetown coach Steve Pettit's seniors will travel to Edmonton for the 16-team Jasper Place High School REB Invitational International Basketball Tournament, in which they'll face some of the top teams in western Canada. The Rebels will play their first game Thursday against Edmonton's O'Leary.

Meanwhile, the Acton Bearcats claimed the consolation title at the E.C. Drury Spartan senior boys' tournament on the weekend, defeating Oakville's T.A. Blakelock 37-23.

Corey Tennier scored 11 points and Seb Mena was the game's MVP. In a preliminary round contest, Acton's seniors beat Christ the King 55-40 as T.J. Fry dropped in 18 points. Ryan Sheppard replied with 11 points for the Jaguars.

Last week, the senior Bearcats received 18 points from centre Adam Grove in their 53-36 league win over E.C. Drury.

Volleyball

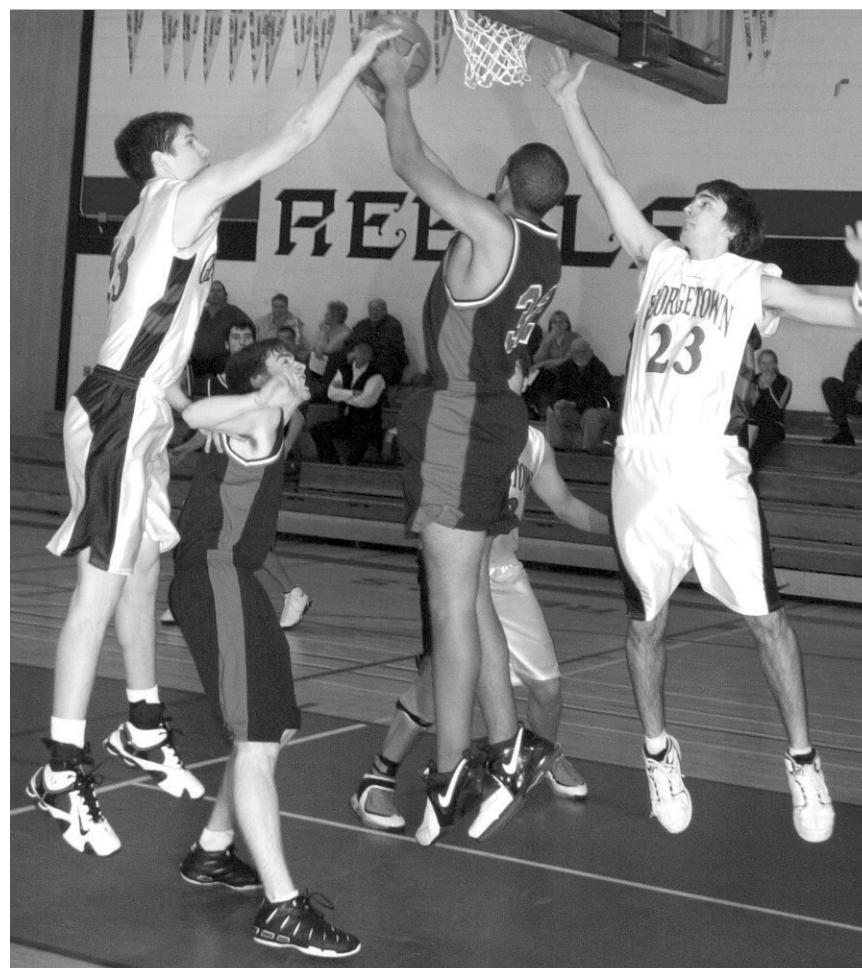
Despite dropping their first four regular season matches, Christ the King's senior girls' volleyball team has shown good potential at three recent tournaments.

The senior Jaguars were B Division quarter-finalists at the McMaster University tourney, eliminated by a strong St. Thomas More squad. They made the playoff round at the Bishop Reding tournament and advanced to the semi-finals of the St. Jean de Brebeuf event in Richmond Hill before falling to Toronto's Michael Power.

With Nikki Salviusburg as captain, the Jags are bolstered by the hitting of Melissa Coffey, Megan Catling and Terri Lowe, the setting of Katelyn Laidlaw and Kristen Van Haeren.

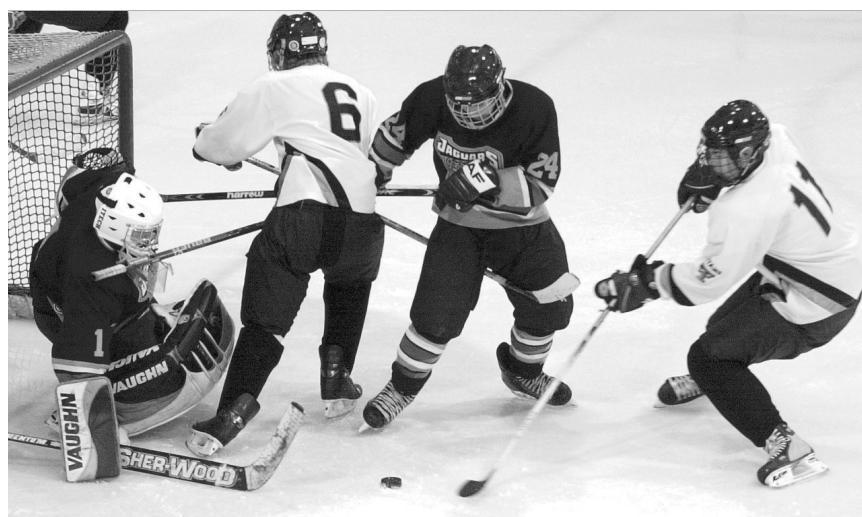
The junior Jags also defeated Bishop Reding 25-11, 25-14 last week, powered by the serving and hitting of Ginny Switzer and Cassidy Veldman, along with the defence of Sarah Hickman.

Acton's junior girls dropped the first set 26-24 Monday to visiting Bishop Reding, but rallied with wins of 25-18, 15-8 to take the match.



Brett Neumann (left) and Matt Scott (23) of the host Rebels put a stop to Chris Oluwole's bid for a basket during the opening contest of the Tip-Off Classic Against Cancer at Georgetown District High School against Oakville's Iroquois Ridge on Friday afternoon. The sixth-annual tournament drew four senior and four junior boys' basketball teams and about \$100 was raised for Cancer Assistance Services-Halton Hills. The Rebels got past Iroquois Ridge 53-33 and J.F. Ross of Guelph 66-51 to take the title and the team now heads to Alberta for an elite-level tournament in Edmonton this weekend.

Photo by Eamonn Maher



Mark Borsco (11) of the Holy Trinity Titans was able to bang in this rebound past Christ the King goalkeeper Thomas Harding during a Halton high school boys' varsity hockey matchup on Thursday at the Alcott Arena. The Jags' 4-3 win moved them into second place with a 4-1-1 record in just their first season of icing a varsity squad. Reid Parker (2), James Mizolek and Shawn Harkley tallied for the Jags. Photo by Eamonn Maher

'Cats hope to expand football program

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From their humble beginnings a decade ago, the Halton Hills Wildcats have expanded as a youth club football organization to the extent that they're planning a new Atom division house league to be based out of Georgetown next summer.

It wasn't so long ago that the original two Wildcat teams staged their practices on the front lawn of the Neilson Dairy building on Guelph Street, with no goal posts or yardage markers and a skeleton staff of coaches and volunteers.

"When I started with the Wildcats nine years ago, if we needed to have an executive meeting, it was easy to do because there was just me and maybe a couple of other people," joked president Dan Ralph.

"Now we've got people doing the behind-the-scenes work and coaches with a lot of football experience have come on board, and if you don't have the coaches, you won't get the players to sign up. This new Atom house league is the most important thing we'll do this year and if we do it right, everyone from the local high school teams to the junior varsity Wildcats (15-16 yrs.) will benefit from it."

Halton Hills enjoyed a banner campaign for youth football in 2006, with the JV Wildcats capturing the inaugural Ontario Minor Football League championship in August, and one of the Atom squads went 10-0 in the Orangeville loop.

Both of Georgetown's senior high school teams also ended up making the Halton championship game in Hamilton, with Christ the King's Jaguars knocking off the previously undefeated Georgetown Rebels for the Division 2 title.

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