

# SPORTS & LEISURE

## Raiders' offence erupts in 14-4 win over Chargers

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With a humiliating 8-1 home loss last Saturday to first-place Oakville still burning their insides, the Georgetown Raiders took out their frustrations on one of the OHA Provincial Jr. A Hockey League North Division's weaker brethren on Wednesday evening, rolling up a 14-4 victory on the Mississauga Chargers.

The Raiders struck early with three goals in the opening three minutes and led 8-1 heading into the first intermission, outshooting the 10-23-0-1 Chargers 29-11. In Mississauga's last visit to the Alcott Arena on Oct. 25, fifth-place Georgetown was shocked 5-4 in overtime by the Chargers and wasn't in a charitable mood this time around.

"We really wanted to rebound from last Saturday. We didn't play well against Oakville and it's just time to start fresh and work on our systems and it went alright tonight," said forward Kyle Schwende, the game's first star with a hat trick and an assist. "When you're playing teams like Oakville and Brampton and Hamilton, you have to work hard and cohesively for all three periods or we saw what can happen if you don't."



**KYLE SCHWENDE**



Georgetown defenders Blake Carr (23) and Peter Drikos try to clear away a loose puck in front of goalie Marc Stuart and Mississauga's Brent McGrail (28) during their OHA Provincial Jr. A Hockey League matchup Wednesday night at the Alcott Arena. The Raiders avenged a home loss to the Chargers earlier this season with a 14-4 romp.

A 3-7-0-0 record against those top three teams in the division has been a well-documented point of concern for the 2006-07 Raiders, but losses to teams such as Mississauga and Milton could

also have an effect when home-ice advantage is determined for the playoffs. The 20-year-old Schwende, one of seven players to come over to Georgetown this season from the Mid-Western Jr. B

*Photo by Eamonn Maher*

ranks, put in his last day as a co-op placement with the Waterloo Fire Department on Wednesday and is ready to fully concentrate on hockey for the next few months. He is currently second on the club in scoring with 22 goals and 42 points in 28 starts and now has a couple of three-goal performances this year.

"We didn't come up here to be a fifth-place team. We wanted to be at the top and we're working on it now, just taking steps to make sure we get better every game," the 6-foot-3, 212-pound Kitchener native added. "The pieces (of a championship team) have been here all year. It's just a matter of everyone buying into what the coaches are saying and what they're teaching us."

George Lovatsis added another hat trick in the onslaught versus seventh-place Mississauga, with Matt Carter, Matt Thomson and Ryan Lee each having four-point games. Jon Southgate, Adam DeJong, Rob Sgarbossa, Ryan Ford and call-up John Ulman chipped in single markers for Georgetown, who'll play host to the second-place Brampton Capitals Saturday beginning at 7:30 p.m. Goalie Marc Stuart blocked 30 shots to win his first home start. Georgetown resident Liam Heelis, 16, had a goal and an assist for the Chargers.

The 18-8-3-3 Raiders also travel to Buffalo for a Monday night tilt and face Milton and Burlington next week before a 14-day break for the holidays.

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And they're off! Participants in the 24th annual Egg Nog Jog, hosted by the Georgetown Runners Club, bolt from the start line during Sunday's race at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area. *Photo by Sean Carsley*

## Egg Nog Joggers take over Terra Cotta

Brendan Hunt of Guelph and Toronto's Nicole Stevenson were the men's and women's winners, respectively, at the 24th-annual Egg Nog Jog hosted by the Georgetown Runners Sunday at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area.

Hunt's time of 36 minutes 40 seconds on the 10.8-km course was almost a minute faster than men's runner-up Laszlo Orosz of Oakville. Stevenson was not only the fastest female but she was third overall in 39:17, over eight minutes ahead of the women's second-place runner, Laura Sanderson of Acton, who clocked in at 47:35. Georgetown's Lesley Grice finished third in 48:21 and Lawrence Warriner from Toronto was third amongst the men in 39:47.

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