

SPORTS & LEISURE

Georgetown skaters in 2008 Winterfest

The Georgetown Skating Club will be well represented at this weekend's 2008 Winterfest and Junior World Challenge club qualifier events held at the Hershey Centre in Mississauga.

Club members Madison Kelly and Haleigh Rees, along with coach Tracey Paculan, will take part in the 24th-annual Skate Canada competitions.

Winterfest 2008 is expected to attract 89 synchronized skating teams from across North America from the youth to adult levels.

In recent competitions, Kelly placed fifth at the Bill Phillips Synchronized competition with the Skate Canada Brampton-Ching-uacousy Gold Ice Novice Festival

Team, while Rees earned a bronze medal at the Dr. Richard Porter Synchronized Classic in Ann Arbor, Mich.

She also picked up a gold medal in Quebec, beating the 2007 Canadian Champions Les Supremes at the St. Hubert Synchronized Skating competition with the Gold Ice novices.

Kelly and Rees will hit the ice for the 2008 Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships in Chilliwack, B.C. Feb. 28 to March 2.

Kelly and Haleigh Rees, along with Bethany Rees, are currently the 2007 Provincial Synchronized Skating Champions after representing the Gold Ice in the Juvenile category in North Bay last season.



Follow that puck

Georgetown goalie Taylor Keemath and Christ the King Jaguar captain Darcy Cook follow the puck during their Halton high school boys' hockey matchup Tuesday at Alcott Arena. The unbeaten Rebels used Keemath's shutout netminding and a pair of third-period goals by Mike Parsons to pull off a 4-0 victory, just the second loss of the season for the 4-2 Jaguars. John McMulkin and Mark Walkington also scored for the 5-0-2 Rebels. In girls' high school hockey, the Acton Bearcats won their third straight game, blasting last-place E.C. Drury 9-1 on Wednesday led by Lauren Vermeulen's hat trick. Toree Cunningham (2), Kaylee Kearns (2), Kaitlin Chadwick and Tia McQuarrie also found net for the 3-3 Bearcats. On the volleyball court, Acton's junior girls downed Drury 20-25, 25-13, 15-11 on Tuesday.

Photo by Eamonn Maher



Top 'Dogs

Matt Velten (left) and J.J. Laforet were among the major award recipients last week when the Halton Hills Jr. B Bulldogs held their awards banquet to cap off one of the club's most successful seasons. Velten, the outgoing captain, received the Bulldog of the Year trophy and was one of five graduating players recognized for his three years of service to the team. Laforet earned both the regular season MVP and rookie-of-the-year honours, leading the Bulldogs with 25 points in 11 playoff games during their run to the OLA East Conference finals against Clarington. Other award winners for the 'Dogs included: Adam Holton Memorial Award (Unsung Hero)— Greg Henry; Regular season leading scorer— Nic Grasby; Best Defensive Player— goalie Manny Hundal; Most Sportsmanlike Player— Reed Board; Most Improved Player— Mike Brown and the team was named Playoff MVP winner.

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Rep hockey roundup

Raiders win Silver Stick qualifier

Georgetown's Sports Unlimited Raiders earned a berth in the International Silver Stick Minor Hockey Tournament later this month in Newmarket after winning a minor peewee AA qualifying tournament in Chatham during the holidays.

Preliminary round— Georgetown 4, Richmond Hill 4; Humber Valley 5, Georgetown 4; Georgetown 4, North Toronto 1

Championship— Georgetown 6, Goulding Park 1

Tournament scoring: Marty Burwell (4G, 6A); Teagan Gilian (3G, 4A); Jacob Hector (3G, A); Cory Highfield (2G, 5A); Matt Simpson (2G, 2A); Chris Brydie (2G, A); Jake MacNeil (G, 2A); Adam Charalambides (G, A); Blair VanderGlas (3A); Stevie Rosa (2A); Cody

Menzies, Nick Hale, Adam Dobis, Ben Sutherland, Matthew Carr (A); Tyler Anderson, Brandon Phair (2W).

Regular season

Georgetown 4, Flamborough 1: Charalambides, Burwell, VanderGlas, Simpson (G); Highfield (2A); Hector, Dobis (A); Anderson (W).

Georgetown 6, Guelph 3: VanderGlas (2G); Brydie, Charalambides, Hector (G, 2A); Menzies (G, A); Simpson (2A); MacNeil (A); Phair (W).

Georgetown 5, Oakville 3: Gilian, Simpson (G, A); MacNeil, Charalambides, Highfield (G); Burwell, Hector (2A); Rosa, Menzies, VanderGlas (A); Phair (W).

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