

# SPORTS & LEISURE



## Brampton netminder shuts down Raiders

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The Brampton Capitals forged their way back into the OHA Provincial Jr. A Hockey League playoff series against the Georgetown Raiders after posting a 5-2 victory at the Alcott Arena on Wednesday evening.

Georgetown still led the best-of-7 West Division semifinal series 2-1 heading into Thursday's fourth game at Brampton's Memorial Arena, where the Raiders have already won three games this season. Game five will be held Saturday at the Alcott Arena starting at 7:30 p.m.

Kevin Tuckey netted the game three winner late in the second period for the Caps and leading scorer Cody Crichton added a pair of insurance markers in the final frame. Winger Jeremy Wick, just having returned from a three-game suspension, had both Georgetown goals.

The Raiders outshot the visitors 11-6 in the first period but trailed 2-1 and despite having several power play opportunities, only found the net once with the man advantage on Brampton's excellent goalkeeper, Taylor Hewson.

In last year's playoffs, fourth-place Georgetown easily knocked off

the division-champion Capitals in five games thanks in part to a rash of injuries to Brampton's netminders. But in the 6-foot-4 Hewson, the Capitals have a formidable puck-stopper this time around who drew the ire of the Raiders Wednesday for repeatedly dislodging the net from its pegs, twice just before the hosts thought they had scored.

As well, Brampton had a better road record (16-7-2) than it did on home ice (14-9-1), twice winning at the Alcott Arena during the regular season.

"(The Capitals) seem to play better in our rink and we've played well in theirs for the most part," said Raider coach James Richmond.

"With the West Division, you never know. A team can be down two or three nothing and then come back and win four straight."

The Raiders, meanwhile, were hoping the return of top forwards John Seymour and Anthony Luciani from suspension would spark their offence through the rest of the series.

In the other West Division semifinal matchup, Oakville fell 2-0 at home Tuesday night to the upstart Milton IceHawks but the first-place Blades were back in form Wednesday, downing the host IceHawks 6-2 to take a 2-1 series lead.


VS.


**Georgetown leads series 2-1**

Game 1: Georgetown 4, Brampton 1  
 Game 2: Georgetown 5, Brampton 4 (OT)  
 Game 3: Brampton 5, Georgetown 2  
 Game 4: Last night (Thursday) at Memorial Arena (Brampton) 7:30 p.m.  
 Game 5: Saturday, March 1 at Alcott Arena, 7:30 p.m. (if necessary)  
 Game 6: Monday, March 3 at Memorial Arena (Brampton) 8 p.m. (if necessary)  
 Game 7: Wednesday, March 5, at Alcott Arena, 8 p.m. (if necessary)

Brampton's Cody Crichton puts his second goal of the game past Georgetown Raider goalie Marc Stuart in the late stages of the third period to assure the visiting Capitals of a 5-2 win in Wednesday's OHA Provincial Jr. A Hockey League playoff contest. The Capitals hosted the Raiders last night (Thursday) in hopes of evening the best-of-7 matchup at two games each.  
Photo by Eamonn Maher

### High school roundup

## Rebels send 31 into OFSAA pool

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Michael Niemeier, McKenzie Kimm, Karl Massey and Jason St. Jacques.

Christ the King of Georgetown will also have representatives at OFSAA, including Nicole Buchanan, Marc Laforet, Holden Vetro and Kaitlyn Knox.

### Volleyball

After an evenly played first set fell 25-23 in Georgetown's favour, the senior Rebels went on the attack on their home court Tuesday afternoon against Hamilton's Cardinal Newman, winning the subsequent contests 25-9, 25-8 to earn the GHAC girls' AAAA title.

Co-captains Katie Banks and Meghan Shantz led the charge for the Rebels, who were bolstered by the large crowd on hand for their first GHAC home game in a few years.

With just one defeat through league and playoffs, Georgetown's seniors now move on to the OFSAA AAAA finals next week in Scarborough, involving 16 teams.

Also headed for OFSAAs are the Acton Bearcats, who defeated Hamilton's Academie Catholique Mere-Teresa in five sets on Tuesday afternoon to win the GHAC A senior girls' qualifier.

The host Bearcats dropped the first game 25-22, then took the next two 25-16 and 25-22 on

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It will likely come down to a clash between Rebels in the pool when Georgetown District High School plays host to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations swim championships next Tuesday and Wednesday at the Etobicoke Olympium.

Approximately 1,400 swimmers are expected to race at the meet and GDHS qualified 31 athletes to compete in individual and relay events. Head coach Jon Newcombe figures it will be a close call between his Rebels and the Riverside High School Rebels of Windsor for the overall team points championship.

Georgetown had a dominant showing at last week's Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference championships in Hamilton, with several first-place finishes, although no team totals were recorded as the swimmers were attempting to achieve OFSAA qualifying standard times.

Along with 11 relay teams, the Rebels will send the following individuals to the provincials next week: Elizabeth Skuriat, Caitlin Porter, Rob Stuart, Denaka Bodrug, Cameron Elgie, Ricky Davids, Gareth Viray-Cox, Jen Ormiston, Chris Bellman, Gresham Kimm, Tasha Truscott, Rebekka Bond, Romana Matthews, Alex Marshall, Kyle Hansen, Drake Livingston,

## Roller hockey loop holds sign-up

The Georgetown Roller Hockey League will hold another sign-up session for the 2008 season on Saturday, March 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex.

There are divisions for players age six up to adult and games will be played Wednesday evenings starting

April 30 until the end of June.

Cost to register is \$210 per player. Full hockey equipment is required.

The 13-game schedule includes a house league tournament.

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