

Firefighters, Racer's finish one-two

by John McLean
A rematch between last year's finalists, Krantz-Fuel Firefighters and The Racer's Edge has become a distinct possibility with the two teams finishing one-two, and tied with 25 points, in the final standings of the Milton Industrial Hockey League.

Both teams won easily in their final regular-season games Sunday at Milton Sports Centre and will receive byes through the first round of the MIHL playoffs which begin next week.

The final night of the regular season featured three high scoring contests with Milton Chrysler-Dodge turning a mockery out of what should have been a close game to nail down third place in the league.

With goaltender Brad Evans gaining his fourth shutout of the season, Chrysler-Dodge won the battle for third with a 6-0 win over Straight Line Fence. After leading the league throughout much of the schedule, Straight Line fell off badly at the end and had to be content to settle for fourth place.

Firefighters grabbed first place courtesy of a 7-1 win over Halton Hogs while Racer's Edge struck for five goals in the third period en route to an 8-3 victory over slumping Nadalin Flyers.

Evans turned aside all attempts by Straight Line Fence as his mates scored twice in the opening period, added three more in the middle frame and a single in the third for their victory.

Hard working Steve Wilson again paced his squad with a pair of goals and a pair of assists for the evening.

Jim Cole scored the eventual winner connecting from a Wilson set up three and one-half minutes into the game.

With only a minute left in the opening frame, the principals reversed their roles with Wilson getting his first.

Gary Hunt, on a pass from Pat Haggart, put Dodge ahead 3-0 only 27 seconds into the second period. Just over a minute later Wilson notched his second of the night rifling in a pass from Pierre Pilote and started by Cole.

Two minutes into the final frame, John Volpe was sent in all alone and Evans came up with his most difficult save of the game.

Peter Rota drifted the final tally on a good pass from Mark Grenke at the 8:02 mark.

Eric Ellison scored five goals pacing Racers Edge to their 8-3 win over Nadalin. The Edge's high-flying rookie wrapped up the scoring title as he finished with 23 goals and 17 assists for 40 points in the 15 games he played.

Actually the contest was very close for the first two periods. Racer's took a 2-1 lead then led 3-2 after two periods before the roof fell in during the third frame.

Les Wilson hit pay dirt first for the winners as he relayed a Grant Gooding pass at the 3:05 mark of the initial period. Only 18 seconds later, Nadalin tied the score as Guy McGinnis found the range, converting a Kim Mountain relay.

With but 46 seconds showing, Ellison counted his first of the night getting help from Willie Ceelen and Larry Scott.

Lou D'Orazio once again tied the score for Nadalin as he triggered a Henry Nadalin offering on a play started by McGinnis.

Once again Racer's Edge scored in the final minute of the period. George Trencs relayed a pass from Pete

MILTON INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

Final Standings	18 games	W	L	T	F	A	Pts	Pen
Firefighters	12	5	1	76	46	25	221	
Racer's	11	4	3	80	48	25	215	
Chry-Dodge	8	5	5	66	63	21	167	
S-L Fence	9	7	2	43	44	20	216	
Nadalin	6	11	1	65	74	13	405	
Hal. Hogs	2	16	0	35	90	4	259	

Sunday's Results
Firefighters 7, Halton Hogs 1
Chrysler-Dodge 6, S-L Fence 0
Racer's Edge 8, Nadalin Flyers 3

Future Games
(Two-game total-goals playoff)
Sunday—Milton Chrysler-Dodge vs Nadalin Flyers, 7 p.m.: Straight Line Fence vs Halton Hogs, 8:20 p.m.

McCuag into a lead the Edge never gave up.

Four goals in a three-minute span sealed Nadalin's fate as the Edge built up a 7-2 margin. Bruce Bousfield and Ellison counted shorthanded goals 26 seconds apart to start the deluge.

Ellison counted his third on a pass from Trencs and started by McCuag at 4:07 then six seconds later, right from

the face-off, Eric counted his fourth on a solo attempt.

Half a minute later, D'Orazio scored his second of the night and Nadalin's final on a solo effort.

Ellison got his fifth and Racer's final with 8:17 left in the game. He took a long pass from Tom Chuchmach in for the score.

Firefighters finished off the season with their seventh undefeated game as the Fuelers helped goaltender Phil Bailey celebrate the birth of his son Saturday by downing the Hogs.

Dave Arbic fired his first goal of the season on a pass from Sam Meriam with only 34 seconds left in the opening period to give the winners a lead they didn't surrender.

Jay Morland triggered a Randy Coulson pass a minute and a half into the middle period. The play was engineered by Dave Marshall. Doug Thomson fired his first of two for the 3-0 count as he finished off a good effort with Paul Mountain and Paul Stover with less than three minutes left in the middle period.

The line of Don Habkirk, Al Jones and Doug Bennett scored three times in just a minute and 12 seconds to put the winners up 6-0. Habkirk twice and

Jones for the third were the snipers.

Bill Stansell fired a Ray Deleagarde offering past Bailey to spoil his shutout bid as the Hogs took advantage of a hooking penalty to Jay Morland.

Thomson fired the final goal from Habkirk with only two minutes left in the game.

Slapsots: Quarter-final action Sunday finds Milton Chrysler-Dodge squaring off against Nadalin Flyers in the 7 p.m. game while Series B pits Straight Line Fence against Halton Hogs at 8:20 p.m. Krantz-Firefighters and Racer's Edge take a two-week rest.

As the quest for the championship begins, a prediction of the outcome would likely make Jimmy the Greek shy away from taking odds.

Firefighters seem to have regained their composure, going the final seven games undefeated. Racers Edge have only lost once in their final 13 games and should certainly be there.

Meanwhile, Milton Chrysler-Dodge have lost just once in their final eight games and with the goaltending of Brad Evans (who earned 4 shutouts during the season) could surprise a lot of people.

Straight Line Fence poses a quandry. They have not lived up to their early promise when they went 10 games without a loss but in recent weeks they have dropped six out of seven games.

Nadalin have been up and down all year, sticking with the leaders for the first part of the schedule but dropping seven out of the final nine games. If Flyers stay on the ice they could be an upsetter.

Hogs could be a force to be reckoned with if they could suddenly find some goal scorers. They could muster only 34 goals in 18 games while allowing 90.

As mentioned, Eric Ellison earned the leading scorer crown with 40 points while Rick Bridgman, of Nadalin, was runner-up with 29 points. Don Habkirk had 27 as did Jim Cole, Richard Murray had 26 and Al Jones finished off the top six with 24 points.

The duo of Craig Jubb and Pete Lennon allowed but 44 goals against for Straight Line and ended with a 2.44 average. Firefighters' Phil Bailey and Mike Aikenhead combined for 46 goals against for a 2.55 average while The Racer's Edge pair of Dave Ballard and Al Horning allowed 48 goals between them for a 2.66 average.

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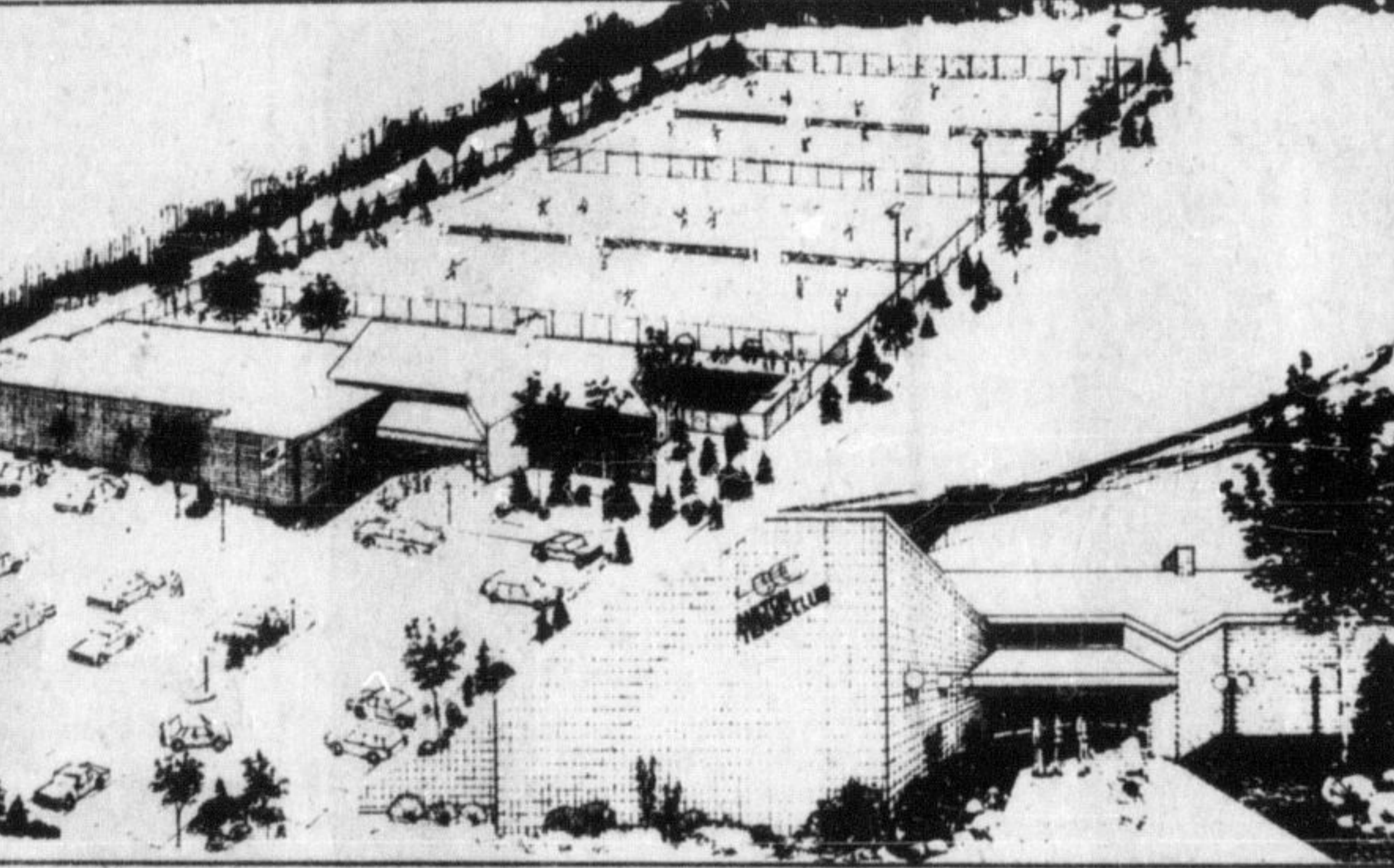
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New tennis facility becoming a reality

A massive publicity campaign has been underway for more than a week now in an effort to recruit memberships for the Milton Tennis Club's new \$500,000 facility.

Brochures have been circulated throughout most households in Halton Region north of Oakville and meetings have been set up to inform potential members of the facility.

A two-year dream to have a permanent high-class tennis and racquetball facility will become a complete reality for the summer of 1982.

Construction on the complex will begin as soon as the frost leaves the ground. Some tennis courts will be ready by next July, the racquetball courts and clubhouse are expected for the fall with the swimming pool ready by the spring of 1982.

The facility will be located on the northeast corner of E. C. Drury School with access off Childs Drive. The two-acre facility will start up with a minimum of six tennis courts and four racquetball courts will be built. The tennis courts

will be surfaced with medium-speed Silkcourt. The Milton Tennis Club is a long-established, volunteer, non-profit club. Its Rotary Park courts have long suffered from a high water table which causes the courts to be badly mishaped.

That problem prompted the club to orchestrate elaborate plans for a large facility. With many long hours spent pursuing ideas and potential sites, the club finally decided on its present plans six months ago.

The accent within the club will be on the family. Memberships encourage family participation and programs will be designed to accommodate all members of the family.

"The whole point of the facility will be based on the family," explained Jamie White who along with several other members of the club spearheaded the plans for the new facility. "We'll have a junior lounge and a senior lounge. There will be junior programs and with the racquetball courts, the centre will be open year-round."

Collier making top spot habit

Eight-year-old Kim Collier of Milton Springers won her third consecutive gold medal by taking the overall title in the Tiny Cadet division of the North York Twiners Invitational gymnastics meet Saturday in Toronto.

Collier's score of 35.80 edged teammate Beth Cameron by .67 points. A total of seven clubs with 22 gymnasts competed Saturday.

Collier placed first on the vault and followed with two seconds on the bars and the beam. She was also sixth on her floor routine.

Cameron was 1-2-3-4 in taking the silver medal, her third in three weeks. Beth was first on the bars, second on the vault, third on the floor and fourth on beam.

Other Springers with good results were Bobbianne MacPherson and Julie Arnold who tied for sixth overall. Their combined totals were 34.58.

Springer Theresa Geniole was third on the vault and fourth on the beam while teammate Yvonne Martin was fourth on the vault. Springers took the first four places on the vault.

The other Springers who competed were Kristi Canestraro, Jessica Clark, Andrea DeFrancesco, Tracey Brading, Sonja Kennedy and Kendra Smith.

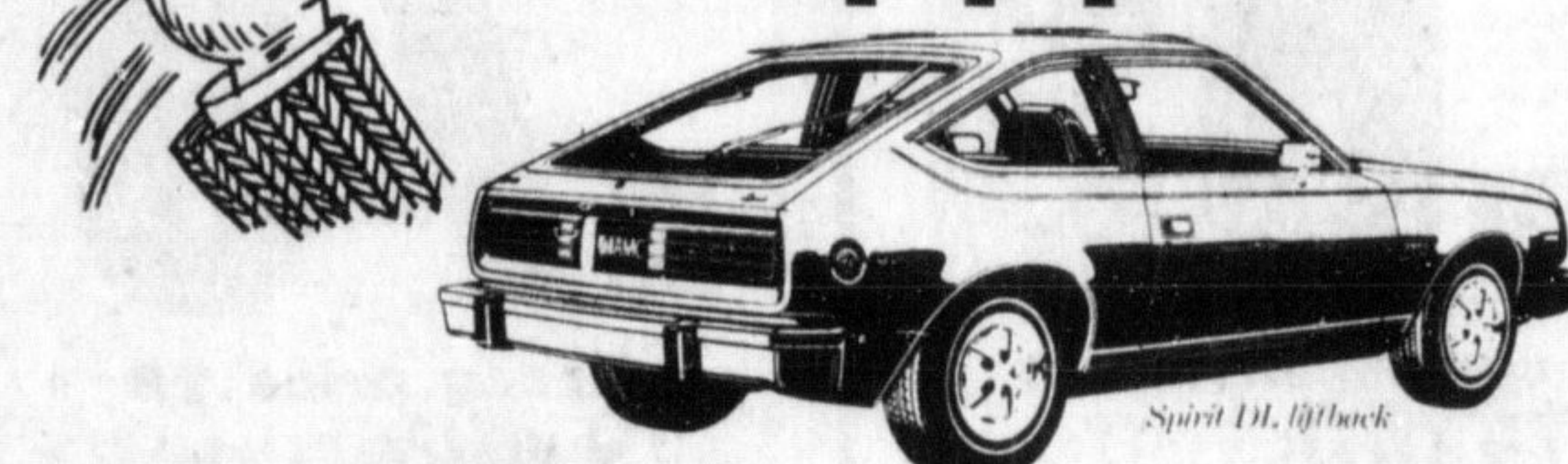
Pewee Steamers taught a lesson

If Miltove Steamers peewee selects think they will romp to the championship in the Four-Town tournament next weekend, they had better think again.

Orangeville, which trailed Milton by just two points in the final standings, walloped Steamers 6-1 on Milton's home ice at Milton Sports Centre Sunday afternoon.

Orangeville has full marks for the win and could upset their southern rivals at the Four-Town tourney. The event will be held next Saturday in Orangeville which should give the home team an edge.

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This year's registration expected to top 800

Milton Youth Soccer Club holds summer registration at Milton Mall Friday from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Undoubtedly, registration will again exceed the total for last year. The continual residential development is, of course, partly responsible but the main reason is the increasing popularity of the sport. Registered players in Ontario last year totaled 90,853 an increase of 24 per cent over the previous year and in Peel-Halton, the increase was 15 per cent.

Soccer is widely recognized as the sport requiring the highest level of physical fitness. Players are continually involved in the play which has a minimum of stoppages. It is, therefore, ideal for young players who want to do something, not spending half the game sitting on a bench.

For the average player, soccer is also a very inexpensive sport. The cost of equipment is relatively low and 22 players utilize the playing field at one time.

Soccer will continue to grow in popularity for the next several years. This weekend you have an opportunity to get involved in "The World Game" which is played in more countries than belong to the United Nations.

MYSC will probably register around 800 players this year and will be looking for adult help to operate their program. As well as the obvious need for coaches, there are many important jobs to be done which need no prior knowledge of the game. It would be ideal if all parents realized their obligation does not end with the paying of a fee.

However, I realize many, because of business or other commitments, cannot offer their help on a regular basis. But if everyone asked themselves what they could do and make a small contribution the load on all would be reduced and the program for the children improved.

Give it some thought. When you register your kids, talk to the club officials about what you could do to help.



Soccer talk with JOHN MORGAN

In conjunction with the MYSC registration, the Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a soccer shoe exchange from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday only. This will be the only exchange this year. So, if you have old shoes to trade, get down to the mall this week.

The Ladies Auxiliary have also established the social program which will kick off with a dance at the Optimist Centre Friday, May 8. Tickets for this dance will be available at registration. Please support this function by getting your tickets now as the date of the dance is prior to the start of the season. If tickets do not go out now distribution will be difficult.

Pineview Youth Soccer Club held registration last Saturday and will be operating the same number of teams as last year. Pineview will have four squirt, four atom, two mosquito and one peewee team playing in boys' recreational leagues. Their girls will be playing in the Girls Rural Soccer League, as in previous years, and they expect to have one team in each age level from squirt to bantam.

An indoor training program will begin at Pineview school Saturday, March 21 and continue each Saturday until the fields are suitable for outdoor play. Late registrants are invited to go along on a Saturday to Pineview school after March 21.

Pineview YSC is fortunate to have 10 new coaches attending a coaches course March 7-8. However, they are looking for an experienced coach for a boys' mosquito team. Anyone interested in this, or in attending the coaching course is asked to contact Martin Boettcher at 878-7013.

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