

Late registrations accepted this week



Soccer talk
with JOHN MORGAN

A lot of people must have missed the Milton Youth Soccer Club registration because Nick McMaster tells me his phone has been ringing off the hook.

This has been a problem for all the MYSC registrars for as long as I can remember. Jim Jones, Tom Allen, Dennis Quinton and myself all had the same problem. However, in my case it was five years ago when there were not so many players involved.

The period between formal registration and the start of the season can be pure hell for the registrar and his family. You may think you are a special case but, believe me, there are scores of 'special cases' which result in the registrar and his family having very little peace unless they take their phone off the hook.

Nick has arranged two special registrations this week to try and mop up some of the players who still want to sign up.

Tonight (Wednesday) at Martin Street School, from 7:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. is the time and place for any girls wishing to register and Friday evening at E.C. Drury School, from 7-8 p.m. for boys. Remember that a \$10 late registration fee now applies.

Last summer, I heard many people complaining, "We haven't had a referee for our last three games." It looks as though that might be the case again this year.

The Milton Branch of the Ontario Soccer Referees Association has arranged a basic referee course for two Sundays in April but few potential new officials have come forward.

A continual supply of new officials is needed to cater for the extra games each year and also to make up for referees who drop out for any number of reasons.

Don't wait until your kid's team goes three games without a referee. Get involved now. Call John Dall at 878-7659 or Owen Faulkner at 878-3156. Your help will be much appreciated and you

will probably get a lot of satisfaction yourself.

I understand everything has worked out for MYSC as far as sponsors are concerned. There are now 49 sponsors for a projected fifty teams. It is gratifying to find that, even in these difficult economic times, there are still so many community-minded people around.

Now it is up to the club and parents to show their appreciation by supporting the sponsors whenever possible.

With the outdoor soccer season just around the corner, the MYSC executive has been working very hard to get loose ends tied up.

Rep team coaches are just about settled and several are planning gym sessions through April to follow on the winter program which wind up in the next two weeks. The Squirt team will have an open session in the small gymnasium at Milton District High School Thursday, April 8, from 6-7 p.m. All squirt age boys are welcome to attend.

The Blizzard exhibition season in Florida did not go as well as it might have done with only one win in four games.

However, the one win was over the Montreal Manic and a couple of losses were by single goals. Exhibition season rarely prove much of a guide to regular-season results as coaches use the exhibition season to experiment with players and tactics.

The Blizzard break camp in Orlando this week and travel to the West Coast for next weekend's season opener against San Jose.

Most people will, no doubt, have read in the daily papers about the Blizzard's latest signing. In obtaining Jimmy Nicholl from Manchester United they are following the claim, made when York Hanoover took over the club, that they are intent on fielding a competitive team.

As a Northern Ireland international and established English first-division player, Nicholl should add a lot of class to the club and, at 25, he is nowhere near being "over the hill", as have been some of the so-called stars who have come over from the U.K. in the past.

Comets nipped in North Bay

An entertaining and interesting season for Milton's Canadian Tire Comets concluded on the weekend when the club advanced to the championship game of a highly competitive midget hockey tournament in North Bay.

The host North Bay club put an end to Milton's hopes with a hard-earned 4-1 victory, including two goals into an empty net, to claim the title.

In the eight-team, divisional round-robin, Comets defeated North Bay 5-2, tied Sudbury Red Wings 2-2 and beat Elliott Lake 5-1 to win their division. Comets then bested Kapuskasing 5-1 in the semi-final to earn a shot at the title.

The tournament was divided into divisions of single-A, double-A and triple-A according to standards set by the Northern Ontario Hockey Association. Comets were placed into the triple-A division.

In the opener, Mike Stewart sealed the win against North Bay with two goals late in the game.

Mike Van Wart opened the scoring for Milton with a shorthanded goal resulting from a breakaway. Van Wart moved around the goalie and slipped the puck upstairs from his

backhand. Rob Bourbonnais gave Milton a 2-0 lead when his bullet slapshot along the ice found the mark with Terry Ellwood and Rick Serafini assisting.

North Bay rallied to knot the score by the end of the period with a pair of quick tallies.

Bob Landry scored the winning goal working a nice play with Mark Haskett before Stewart's two goals slated away the win.

Goalkeeper Kevin Hughes, who played all games for Comets, was selected the club's most valuable player in the game.

In the second game, Comets pulled out another dramatic finish with Steve Mead notching his second of the game with just three minutes left to pull out the tie. Mead scored while on the power play with Rob McCullough and Landry picking up assists.

Mead had scored earlier in the first period taking a pass from McCullough in the slot, wheeling around and firing a shot into the goal. Mead was named the team's most valuable player.

Elliott Lake tried a physical approach in the third game with Comets but discovered the approach doesn't work and ended up taking more than

half the penalties. Landry scored on the first shift of the game and the club rolled to the win. Ellwood picked up a pair of goals with Bourbonnais and Stewart adding singles. Landry was named the team's most valuable player.

A freak play in the semi-final with Kapuskasing shifted the play toward Milton's favor early in the third period and the club gained momentum for the rest of the game.

Early in the third period, Milton captain Randy Heggie bodychecked a Kapuskasing forward into the plexiglass shattering the glass. After the glass was repaired, Milton held command and stopped the fast-skating, Kap forwards adding three unanswered goals to record the win.

The teams split single goals in the opening frame with Ellwood jabbing at the puck underneath the goalie's glove and scoring it home. McCullough drove a similar goal in the second period with Landry and

Bourbonnais picking up assists to give Comets a 2-1 lead into the third period. After Heggie delivered his crunching check, Landry, Serafini and Mike McIlwraith added singles with Landry picking up his second MVP award.

The final game pitted North Bay against Milton again. The first two periods were scoreless with hot goalkeeping keeping Milton off the board.

Early in the third period, North Bay went ahead 1-0 before Stuart Anderson tied the score with a shot from the point with 10 minutes left. Serafini and Stewart assisted.

Then with three minutes left in the game, and Milton on the power play, North Bay scored a shorthanded goal to effectively win the game.

The club added two more empty-net goals in the final minute with both goals shot from deep in their defensive zone. Haskett was named Milton's MVP.

Medics heading for Tri-County crown

Milton Docs & Dents minor atom team is the only Milton rep club going for a Tri-County title.

With other teams having been eliminated in earlier rounds or advanced into the OMHA playdowns, Medics will go up against either Brampton or Orangeville in the Tri-County championship

Saturday at 11 a.m. in Georgetown.

The team won one and lost two in a tournament in Niagara Falls over the March Break.

Medics opened the tournament losing 3-2 to St. Catharines Thursday morning. Medics bounced back and defeated Streetsville 5-3 that night to stay in contention for a berth in the

semi-finals. However, Burlington's Tri-County team stopped Milton's hopes with a 5-1 decision Friday night to eliminate Medics from further contention. Burlington scored twice in the final 19 seconds to run up the score. Milton's Adrian Meli was selected to the all-star team and he received a pair of hockey gloves and a stick.

Two Ontario Programs You Should Know About

Tax Credits — for people under 65

Each year the Ontario Government returns tax dollars to residents through the Ontario Tax Credit program. This program is especially designed to provide tax assistance to Ontario residents between the ages of 16 and 64 inclusive with low or moderate incomes.

This year there is a new credit to claim along with the Property Tax Credit, Sales Tax Credit and Political Contribution Tax Credit. Remember, to claim these credits you must complete the mauve Ontario Tax Credit form and mail it together with your federal income tax return.

- **The Temporary Home Heating Credit** helps Ontario residents by off-setting increased home heating costs. This \$60 credit is reduced by one percent of your taxable income.
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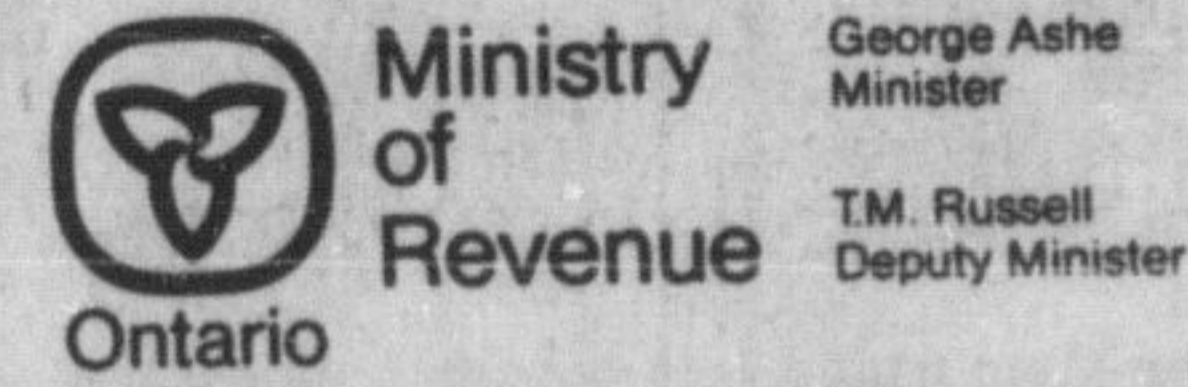
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- In all other areas — dial 1-800-268-7121

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Stick check

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