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Wheeler's string snapped at 14 victories

Among the best kept secrets around Memorial Arena has been the fantastic winning string of Milton Fifth Wheel major bantams.

However, as fate might have it, the bubble finally burst on the club as Wheeler's were nipped 2-1 by Brampton to halt their winning string at 14 games.

It was a formidable string made after many hockey enthusiasts had predicted that this year wouldn't be as fruitful as

the club has enjoyed in the past. But staffed with several newcomers and coached for the second year in a row by Gary Hudson, Wheeler's foiled the predictions with some excellent play.

The defeat was unusual in that the Milton and Brampton were playing the second leg of a home-and-home series. Wheeler's won in Brampton last Thursday by a 4-1 score before Brampton gained a large measure of revenge in posting

the string-stopping win right on Wheeler's home ice Sunday.

On Sunday, Milton's Chris Wakely was the only player to solve Brampton goalie Brent Connor who made several fine stops to earn the victory.

On Thursday, Sean Davidson paced Wheeler's with a pair of goals while Tim Blackadar and Mike Doiron, with his first goal of the year, each scored one apiece. Steve Scannell picked up two as-

sists while Lee Johnson, Mike Del Papa and Wakely each earned one assist.

In action earlier in the week, Davidson's three goals and Blackadar's three assists powered Wheeler's to a 5-0 shutout win over Streetsville.

Tom Hill earned the shutout while Bruce Cameron and Darryl Landry added singles. Richie Davies and Doiron also picked up assists.

Martin to lead league in Kitchener tourney

In a vote by league members, Milton's Steamer coach Tom Martin was named to lead the Central Ontario Jr. B. League all-stars against all other provincial all-star clubs in a tournament in Kitchener during the Christmas break.

At a league meeting attended by six members of the league, Martin was the clear winner out-distancing coaches from Streetsville, Oakville and Barrie in the final ballot. "This vote should give everyone an idea of how well Tommy is thought of throughout the league," said Dave Del Papa, Steamers director of player operations who attended the meeting on behalf of the club.

Martin was unavailable for comment.

The voting was conducted in two parts. In the preliminary ballot, each team representative voted for any coach except his own. This narrowed the candidates down to four where team reps were free to choose any coach. Martin was the clear winner. In 21 games, Martin, along with general manager Pie Lee and assistant coach Chris Meloff have rebuilt the club to a 10-7-4 record.



Tom Martin

The tournament takes place Dec. 26-29 in Kitchener and is sponsored by Miracle Mart. All other Junior B Leagues will send all-star clubs. The tournament winner will then advance to the national championships in the new year in Chicoutimi, Que.

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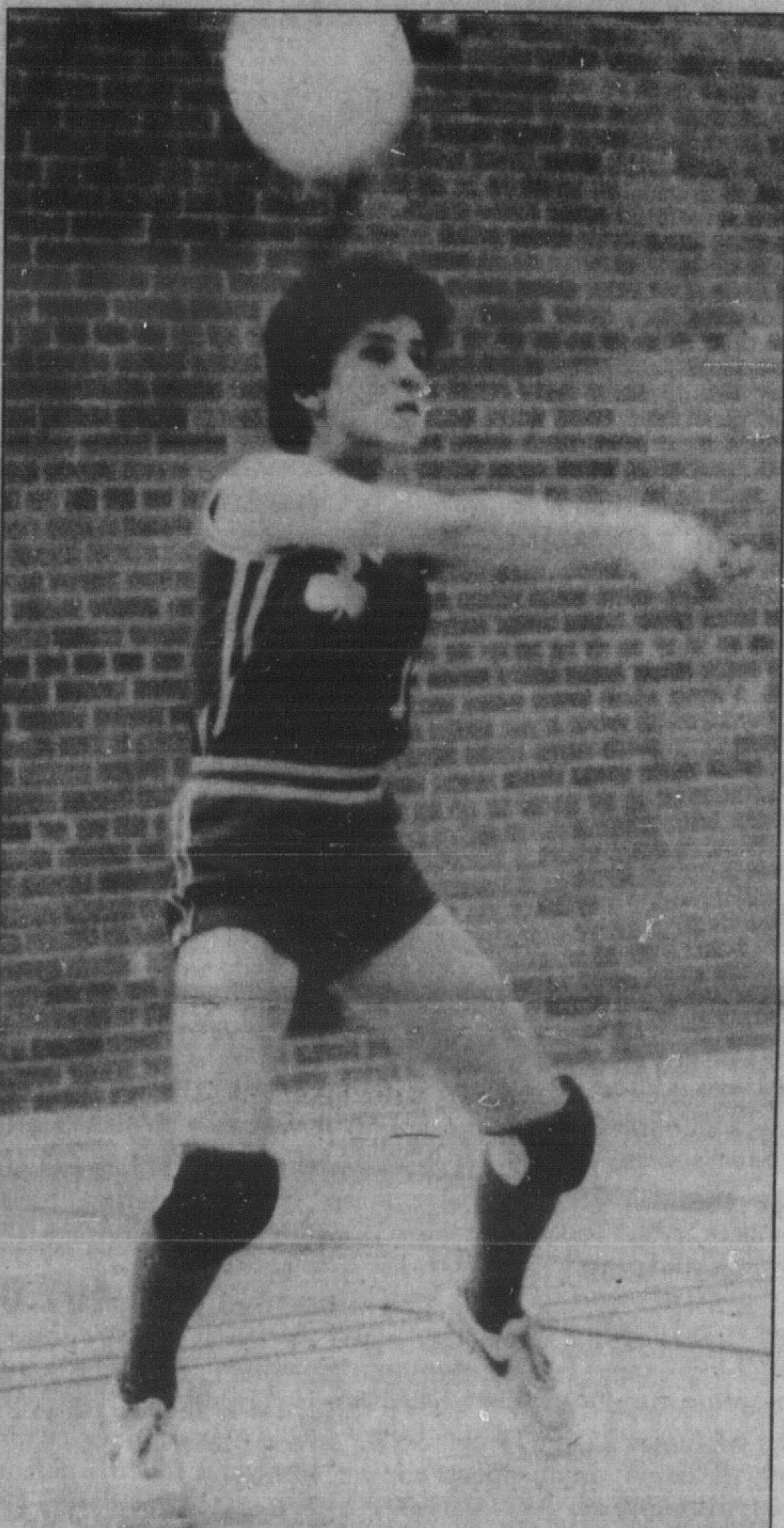
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FOURTH SECTION

Sherratt ends 14-yr. hold



Some gritty determination, as shown on this face by a Sherratt player, enabled the Sherratt girls team to go as far as the championship against Centennial in the north Halton volleyball championships Friday at Drury.

Boys stop Centennial

Stopping a string which lasted for 14 years, the boys volleyball team of Sam Sherratt School turned back Centennial School 15-7, 15-6 to claim the north Halton championship Friday night at E.C. Drury School.

The Jim Hall-coached club ran through the six-team tournament in fine style and knocked off another Georgetown school, Stewarttown, 15-8, 15-3 to reach the championship round.

The team now goes up against Eastview, of Oakville, and McMillan, from Burlington, for the Halton championship which goes Friday starting at 6 p.m. also at Drury School.

For 14 years, Centennial has held a hammerlock on the north Halton title and for nine of those years, it was Hall who coached the team. Since coming to Sherratt three years ago, Hall has built a formidable team which just recently finished 10th in a 60-team Barrie tournament.

On the girls' side, defending champion Centennial avoided a Sherratt sweep with a 15-7, 15-4 win over Sherratt in the title game. Sherratt had beaten McKenzie-Smith, of Acton to reach the finals while Centennial was disposing of Stewarttown.

The boys' victory marks the first volleyball championship for the school in its three-year existence.



A W.I.D. player and his counterpart from Centennial go up for the ball during the North Halton volleyball championships. The Centennial boys, which had strung together 14 consecutive north Halton crowns finally were stopped in the final by Sherratt in two straight games.

Legion picks up two victories

Legionaires completed their meetings in regular season play with Dundas without any real answer as to which team is better.

Tuesday night, Dundas paid their first visit to Milton but Legionaires were not a good host as they tripped up their guests 2-1. The victory evened the season play between the two clubs at a win, a tie and a loss apiece with each club also scoring eight times.

Although Legionaires had a good portion of play, their shots on goal were not too plentiful. However, one of the few they did have in the first frame found its mark as Darren Beals was sent in by Paul Carles for the only goal of the opening period coming at the 3:07 mark.

The second period featured more end-to-end action with neither Ryan Tummon nor Josh Greenburg for the visitors unwilling to give up a goal. Tummon's work load was much heavier than his counterpart had to contend with.

The Legionaires took advantage of the only penalty of the third period as Beals and Carles teamed up again with Carles being the trigger man this time to give the locals a 2-0 lead.

Todd Buchanan, the ever-dangerous centreman for Dundas, finished off a drive from the point by Kevin Slater to spoil Tummon's shutout bid with only 1:37 left on the clock.

Showing his scout training of "Being Prepared," Tummon responded excellently when Richard Saliba phoned in sick for the game Sunday afternoon. Tummon's efforts in backstopping the Legionaires to a 3-0 whitewashing of Ancaster earned him his first shutout of the season.

The first period ended in a scoreless draw even though both clubs had several good attempts on close-in drives.

Derron Bain picked a fine time to score his first goal of the season. The goal, which turned out to be the winner, came about on a good pass from Danny Hierman after James Green had done most of the work in the corner to put the puck out front. The marker came at 2:06 of the middle frame.

A minute and a half later Carles fired his seventh goal of the season after being setup perfectly by Danny Beamish. Even though he did not get an assist on the play, Michael Banning did a lot of work to set up the goal.

The rest of the middle period remained scoreless although both clubs had several opportunities. The third frame featured the same good work at both ends of the rink as Saul Ferguson was also tested several times.

Banning's efforts finally paid off as he was the sniper to give the Legionaires a final goal with only 59 seconds remaining in the game. Carles and Beamish contributed excellent passes to set up the goal.

Wrist shots: The Legionaires have now completed half the schedule having played 15 league games. Their record shows the owning 18 points as a result of eight wins, five losses and two ties. They have scored 61 times and allowed 43 goals.

This week's schedule has a road trip to Georgetown for the first time Thursday night before hosting Brampton at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Paul Carles and Darren Beals lead the team scoring list with 18 points apiece while James Green and Michael Banning share second spot in the point parade with 15 each. Green has a team leading 13 goals.

Saliba and Tummon have combined in allowing the opposition 43 scores and have a very respectable under three goals per game average (2.87).

Unpredictability becomes norm

If there's anything predictable about the Milton Hockey League, it is its unpredictability.

Witness the events of Grey Cup Sunday. In each game, the underdog rallied to post a victory over the favorite and as a result the standings have tightened up considerably.

The evening got underway with the first of three surprise endings when the Dave Dermo charged Milton's Realty crew picked up its third point in its last two games with a convincing 4-2 triumph over league-leading John Burns Stable.

The upset trend carried over to the second game of the night when The Racer's Edge finally broke its penchant for ties with a 5-0 shutout win over second-placed Lou's Place Hawks.

Then to cap a memorable week of events, Milton Chrysler-Dodge won its second game of the year with a 2-0 shutout win over slumping Straight Line Fence. The contest marked the second straight game Straight Line was held off the scoresheet.

Just two hours now separates the top three clubs in the league. And with Chrysler-Dodge gaining momentum, the final 11 games in the schedule promise to provide MHL fans with some exciting contests.

Milton Realty struck for two goals in a one-minute span to break a 1-1 tie early in the third period and then coasted to the victory over John Burns Stable. It was just Milton's second win of the year and just Burns' second defeat.

JB Stable's Randy Coulson opened the scoring midway through the first period with a power-play marker from Ed Loeprich and Jim Marshall.

The goal held up until late in the middle frame when Milton's Brad Roelofson scored the equalizer with a minute left in the frame. Ernie McConnell and Paul McCann assisted.

Milton then went to work early in

the final period. With just two minutes gone, Earl Shepherd put his club ahead 2-1 with a goal past Burns' netminder Mike Aikenhead. John Dent and Roelofson earned assists.

A minute later, Duane Stark scored his first of two for the night with Clarence Haringa and McConnell picking up assists.

With six minutes to go in the game, Stark put Milton up 4-1 with a nice goal from Dent and Milton coasted the rest of the way.

Loeprich closed out the scoring for JB Stable with a goal two minutes from the conclusion of the contest past goalie Mike Shepherd who put in a steady effort during the game. Ron Armstrong

Welders winning ways just keep on coming

Milton Welding continued its winning ways in chalking up a comfortable 4-1 victory over Schroeder's Construction in White Oaks Hockey League action Sunday morning at Memorial Arena.

The victory maintained Welders' grasp on first place, three points ahead of Peak's Industrial whose 13-5 win over Baugh Construction dropped Schroeder's into third spot.

In the Welders-Schroeder's contest, the outcome was in doubt right up to the end.

Welders' Rod Gooding opened the scoring, after a scoreless first period, with his first of two from Joe McCarthy and Jim Robertson. In the meantime, Glen Turner continued his sparkling play between the pipes to hold off the Schroeder snipers.

At 9:21 of the third period, Jim Simpson picked up a rebound off a drive from McCarthy and potted it behind goalie Rob Parker for a 2-1 Welders

and Kevin Howden earned assists.

In the second game of the night, The Racer's Edge closed to within a point of second-place Lou's Place with a rather routine 5-0 shutout win.

The Edge fired one goal in the opening period and then added two more in each of the remaining periods to secure the victory, just its second in seven starts. The Edge now has the fewest losses, one, of all MHL clubs, as well as the fewest wins, two.

It took The Edge just 59 seconds to take the lead with what proved to be the winning score. Mike Murray maintained his hot scoring touch with an unassisted marker.

In the middle frame, The Edge put

lead. Tom Martin assisted on the play.

A sloppy clearing pass was intercepted by Schroeder's Keith Doyle who slid the puck to teammate Rick Court. Court made no mistake in snapping the puck past the unsuspecting Turner to make the game interesting.

Both clubs had numerous chances to go ahead or tie it up before Gooding won a face-off deep in the offensive zone and passed to Robertson who slapped a beautiful shot up high past Parker's outstretched glove.

Then with just nine seconds left in the game, Ken Kerr, trying for his first goal of the year, blasted one from the point which Gooding deflected to close out the scoring.

In the first game of the morning, Baugh showed, that when they get their players back onto the ice and off the injury list, they can stay with anybody. But without bench strength, Baugh wilted and fell 13-5 to Peak's Industrial.



It was another case of being just one win away from a Halton title for Milton District High School's Wolverines which lost 2-1 to T.A. Blacklock Friday at MDHS. In a low scoring game, Blacklock led 1-0 at half-time and shut down Wolverines in the fourth quarter to gain the win. Last year, Wolverines also went to the championship game where they were edged. Read about the game in High School Sports on page C3.