

# After the fights, a hockey game usually breaks out

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own in a tussle with Tom McNamara to complete a spirited debut.

Kevin O'Flaherty drew three assists on the day while Lee, Williams, Mark Cooper and sophomore defenceman Shawn Smith posted two apiece.

With the exception of an impressive boxing performance by John Nadalin, who

destroyed a mouthy Steve Olive in his first Jr. A fight, Friday's home game with Elliot Lake held little in the excitement department as well.

The Northern League basement dwelling Vikings, short-staffed and devoid of scoring punch on the night, used everything in their arsenal to keep pace with Milton through the first 24 minutes.

From there, the Merchants struck for five unanswered goals in 11 minutes and went on to win 10-3.

Leading the way with a three-goal, two-assist performance was Ron Baker, who now has a small yet vocal fan club in his corner.

His linemate Jeff Seeds tagged four assists while Lee fired in a goal and assist-

ed on two others.

The Haydar brothers, Nadalin, Smith and Matt Bannan were Milton's other goal scorers. Olive figured in all three goals for Elliot Lake.

Assistant coaches Rick Osborne and Terry Iker took the reins in both games this past weekend as skipper Marty Williamson was away at a business conference.

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## Springers getting ready to compete

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coach Janet Campbell of her competitive team. "If effort was rewarded, they all deserve to be on the podium."

The team will host a special open house next Saturday, Dec. 13 from 2 to 4 at the club, where they'll perform routines for fellow gymnasts, parents and interested members of the public.

## Grant scores in newest deal

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league MVP Travis Riffin.

Hutchins joins the team at just the right time, as rookie Mike Wheelihan nurses a broken finger that will sideline him for another two to three weeks.

## Hot goalie cools locals

Milton District High's hockey team was forced out of the North York Classic finals due to fatigue and fierce goaltending Friday.

Having attended their school's semi-formal dance the previous night and finished round-robin play just 30 minutes earlier, the Mustangs had little left for their semifinal tilt with the Georgetown Rebels.

And what offensive juice they did muster was thwarted by netminder Brad Kouyoumjian, who turned in a stellar performance to lead Georgetown to a 4-1 triumph.

Shane Thompson lit the lamp three times while Shawn Dunlop added a single. Defenceman Steve Turner was MD's lone goal scorer.

The 'Stangs also lost 4-1 to North Bay's Chippewa in their other Friday showdown. Scoring in this one was John Sprenger.

MD was much more successful during day one of the Toronto-based tournament, winning back-to-back contests.

They edged Earl Haig of York Region 3-2, on the strength of spirited penalty killing, and dropped Whiddifield of North Bay 4-1.

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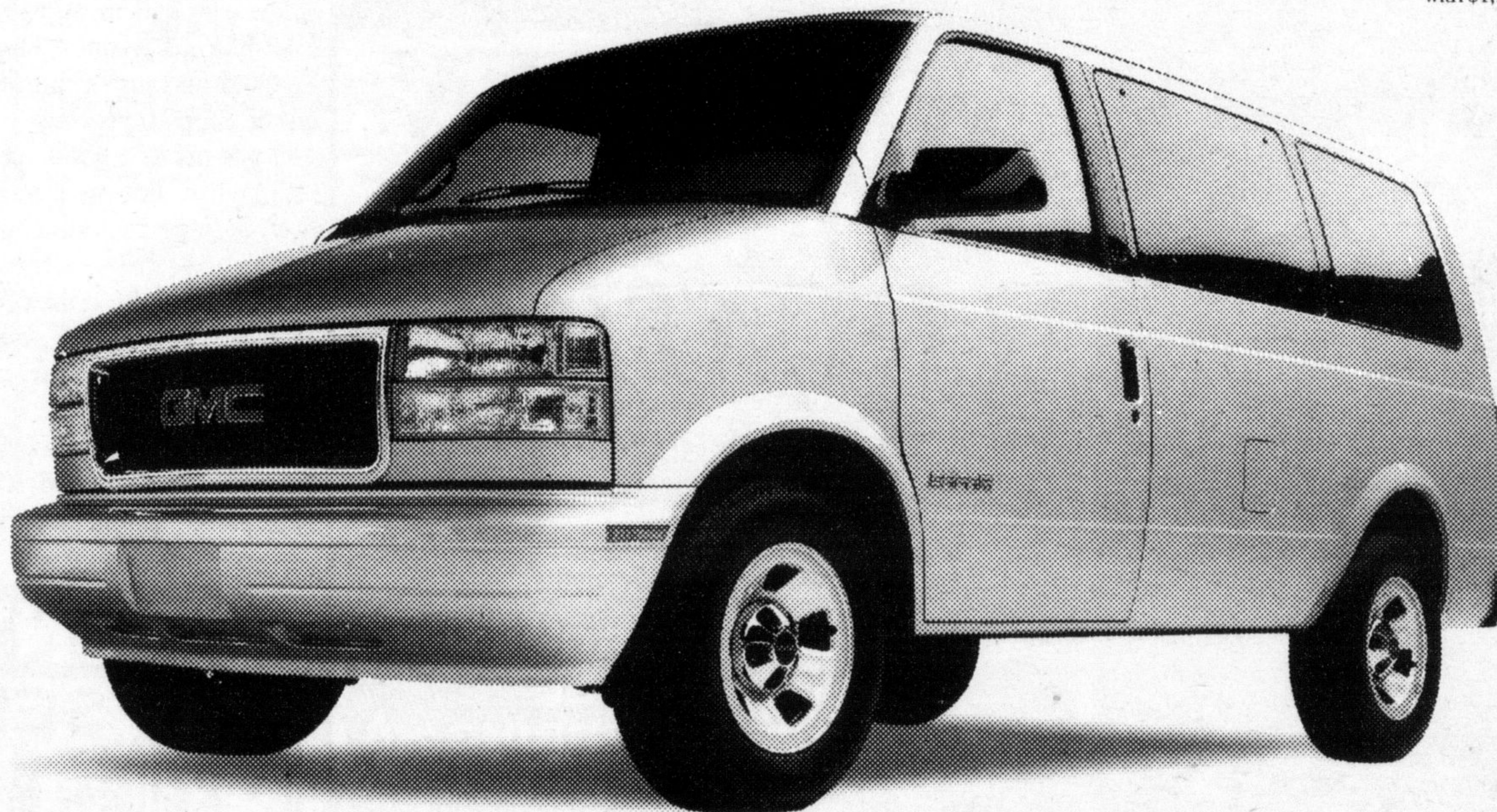
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