

Forest United proves to be Milton's undoing

The Magic under-19 girls couldn't capitalize on a second chance and had to settle for second best recently at the Civic Holiday Soccer Classic in London.

A return engagement with host Forest United brought no more success for Milton, who were outdistanced 3-1 in the championship finals.

"We were really tired in the finals, we had no legs," said Magic skipper Bert Zonneveld. "Also, the referee waved off a blatant hand ball by Forest United that should have made it 2-2 midway through the game."

Andrea Cooney scored the lone tally while houseleague call-up Davina Taylor worked the cage.

Milton went to sleep early in their initial confrontation with the tournament hosts and then

had to play catch-up — which never came to fruition in a 2-0 defeat.

Regrouping through the remainder of round-robin competition, they humbled North Durham 4-0 and edged Hagersville, Illinois 3-2 to advance to the title match.

Sinking the game winner against their American opponents was Cooney, who dented the twine with an acute-angle blast inside the last five minutes of play.

Also registering goals in the see-saw battle were Krystle Connerty and Emma Fredriksson.

Connerty, Andrea Dafoe, Leslie Hinton and Heather McCullough were the sharpshooters against North Durham.

Coach Zonneveld is looking for a new goalkeeper. Anyone interested in guarding the cage

for the rest of the season is asked to call him at 873-9263.

No reward here

A spirited showing didn't quite equal success for the under-19 boys Wednesday.

The Magic held a distinct edge in play but in the end were trimmed 1-0 by Mississauga in opening round League Cup play.

Their southern opponents beat goalkeeper Jeff McCarney with a looping header in the last 10 minutes of the game.

"The whole team played absolutely tremendous soccer, some of the best this season," said coach Graham Smith.

This heartbreaking loss came on the heels of back-to-back regular season triumphs at home,

where Milton shaded Mississauga North 3-2 and annihilated Erin Mills 7-1.

Exploiting the opposition early and often over this stretch were Adam Clark, Michael Coletta and Jeff Seeds, who were effectively supported by feisty midfield and defensive units.

Now stationed in the middle of the South Regional Soccer League's elite division with a .500 record, the Magic began the final stretch of the season last night against Guelph.

Magic sink Salt Fleet

Back to near full strength last Tuesday, the under-15 boys defeated Saltfleet 3-1 in the rubber match of their three-game regular season series. Scoring were Vito Antonelli, Eric Wood and Quinn Young.

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On April 25th, we held a Charity Garage Sale with the proceeds going to the Milton District Hospital Foundation. We had doors, door frames, kitchen cabinets, drapes, curtain rods, electric baseboard heaters, electric water heaters, sink faucets, insulation etc...

We collected \$220 from about 50-75 people who dropped in! At the end of the day we donated any curtains and curtain rods which were left to a local Womans Shelter. We also donated cabinets, door frames, baseboard heaters and insulation to the local school boards.

GoodLife Fitness has always been a supporter of local charities and fund raising events such as shelters, kids programs, Hospital Foundations etc... Here in Milton we plan to actively participate in a number of events. Our participation ranges from: sponsoring large or small events, donating prizes or gifts, supporting by accepting posters, or arranging volunteers for events etc...

Myself I have sat on the Organizing committee for the Guelph Hot Foot Happening which is a fund-raiser in support of Guelph's Hospitals for the past 4 years. It was with regret that I have had to leave that position now that I am living in Milton. I have made many friends and business acquaintances over those years and hope to do the same in Milton!

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Back line shored up

By STEVE LeBLANC

The Champion

The Milton Merchants are one step closer to rebuilding their topnotch blueline unit with the recent acquisition of two quality defencemen.

Joining the ranks are Ryan Carrigan and Ken Robins, who according to coach Marty Williamson will further add to the team's mobility and depth.

"With the loss of Mark McPhail, Shane Sullivan and T.J. Lee our defence won't be quite as strong right away," admitted Williamson. "But if you remember, young Matt Bannan made tremendous improvement throughout last season and by the end was probably our best defenceman."

"If these new guys can develop like that, we're looking at having another great defensive unit come playoff time."

Ryan, the 17-year-old nephew of team president Gregg Carrigan, toiled with the Bozeman Jr. A Ice Dogs in Montana last season, where he collected 40 points.

A native of Burlington, he sports sound overall skills — with an ability to tidy up his own end as well as contribute on the powerplay.

"I'm really looking forward to coming to Milton. This is an organization that really wants to win," said the 6'1", 180 lbs. rearguard.

Experience and leadership are Robins' strong suits.

The 19-year-old Welland resident has four years of junior hockey under his belt. The last one was with the Metro League's Huntsville Wildcats, who named him assistant captain.

His 1997-98 statistics included 18 goals, 22 assists and 175 penalty minutes.

At 6'2", 200 lbs. Robins will also help fill the size gap left by Sullivan.

"I was somewhat of an offensive defenceman last year and see myself taking on that same type of role with the Merchants," he remarked.

The Merchants have now signed three new defencemen, who will join forces with Bannan and fellow veteran John Nadalin.

It is not known yet if Shawn Smith and Raitis (Razor) Ivanans will be back.

The Merchants' quest for another championship season officially begins August 18 when training camp opens at Memorial Arena.

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