# Present for Binnington as he nets a hat trick

Matthew Binnington earned a birthday hat-trick plus one assist to lead his AA minor atoms past Georgetown 7-2 last Tuesday.

The win pushed the Wallace Pontiac sponsored crew's record to 12-3-4.

A fierce finish saw the victors unload with four goals in the final frame — two while shorthanded. They kept the pressure on until the bitter end, scoring twice inside the last 90 seconds of play.

Jeremy Brown and Jacob Demarsh each contributed one goal and one assist.

Milton's other marksmen were Alex Berndt and Joel Gard while Luc Hartwick drew a pair of helpers.

#### **Bants dominate**

The AA major bantams severely outshot Fergus last week and spanked them 6-0.

Jon Reid was challenged just 10 times in earning the goose egg. Helping preserve his shutout was defenceman Mike Volpe, who made a great diving block on a partial breakaway.

Up front, Darryl Langstone paced the hit parade with back-to-back goals — both set up by Jon Taylor — while single markers went to Volpe, Luke Hendrie, Ricky Nadalin and Justin Tingley.

Recording assists were Chris Dumencu, Trevor Ford, Andrew Kirkland and Justin Mastrangelo.

Shots on goal favoured the Primary Electric sponsored team by nearly a four-to-one ratio. They now sit at 10-7-4.

#### Pulled it out

Scott Campbell potted a goalmouth scramble with only 17 seconds remaining to lift his A major novices to a 4-3 triumph over Acton last week.

His heroics followed a three-goal uprising by the opposition which threatened Milton's bid for a second season win.

Tyler Sim and Jennifer Warzonek split the cage work and were rock solid between the pipes. Providing suffocating defense down the stretch were blueliners Matt Claessens and Scott Gooding.

Other tallies came from Brian Hunter, Luke Walker and Derek MacKay — who made a successful debut after arriving from the house league ranks.

Jarrett Grant, Willy Hunter and Stephen Jackson turned in robust performances up front as well for the Dynamic Packaging sponsored crew.

#### Lead blown

Milton's AA minor bantams squandered a two-goal lead in the third period and fell 4-3 to Hespeler Wednesday.

It was just their third loss this season in league play.

A complete defensive breakdown allowed the visitors over a dozen shots in the final frame.

Julian Ricci figured in all three Winterhawks goals, scoring once and drawing two assists. Also lighting the lamp were Andy Strazdins and Darryl Tielemans.

Picking up a pair of helpers was Mitchell Boisvenue.

One night earlier the local crew doubled Flamboro 4-2.

Tielemans and Matthew Funnell were the set up men with two assists each while scoring was done by Boisvenue, Scott McLaughlin, Jeff Nadalin and Paul Szafer.

The split now gives the Centricut sponsored squad an 18-3-2 with just a handful of games remaining in the regular season.

#### **Tight battles**

Goals were tough to come by in a recent two-game stretch, which the A minor atoms escaped with the split.

They trimmed Elora 3-2 on the strength of a one-goal, one-assist performance by regular contributor Jeremy Martin.

Providing the heroics was Justin Moir, who sank the game winner late in the third.

Daniel LaFontaine also dented the twine with Craig Howse, Alex Marshall, Greg Robertson and Kyle Walker posting assists.

Solid goaltending came from Devon Plater.

Paul Herder was equally sharp in the cage the following night although his teammates just couldn't pull the trigger and fell 3-1 to the Brampton Battalion.

Their lone goal was registered early in the third by Graham Sharp. Howse and LaFontaine drew the assists.

Surprisingly enough, all three goals against were scored while their opponents were shorthanded.



### Rink rats ready for battle

These 16 Milton Timbits competed at Maple Leaf Gardens recently during the first intermission of the Toronto-Philadelphia game.

## Hockey team looks back on track

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Milton District High got back on track in hockey action with a 7-4 victory last Tuesday over the White Oaks Wildcats.

The 'Stangs had recently run into some bad luck with a lack of scoring punch and the newly enacted sixth-year player restriction other goal.

which forced Dan McDuffe off the team and ruled their two wins with him in the lineup invalid.

Andrew Hryciw, Kevin Miller and Brent Smith each tallied twice against White Oaks with Mike Theriault picking up the



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