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# Irish welcome beckons girls

The Milton Monarch juvenile girls' season will run a little longer than usual.

That's because the local basketball team has been invited to compete against several teams in Ireland in early August.

Ten hoopsters — including Sharalee Dempster, Anne Gleeson, Mary Ellen 2714. Gleeson, Jaclyn Hunt, Brooke Johnson, Jen McManus, Jessica Simpson, Carmen Smeitink, Nicole Walker and Erin Walsh - will battle junior national and senior teams from across Ireland.

ready for morning and afternoon collec-

They will also hold a barbecue at Kitchener and made it to the consolation

Loblaws on Sunday, June 6 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and are in the midst of organizing a giant garage sale.

Anyone interested in helping sponsor either the team or an individual player can contact coach Martha Gleeson at 854-

#### Solid showing

Monarch's girls teams showed strongly this past season with topnotch performances at a number of tournaments.

To raise funds for the trip, the players The juveniles competed at several 'AA' will hold a bottle drive this Saturday and events, despite only being a single 'A' are asking residents to have donations team, and gave opponents a run for their

They were championship finalists in

finals in both Cambridge and Orillia.

Hunt, McManus and Anne Gleeson did the majority of the scoring.

Making up an impressive supporting cast were Dempster, Smeitink, Walsh, Rebecca Austen, Patricia Jacklein and Stephanie

Meanwhile, the midget girls highlighted a superb season with a championship victory in Norfolk.

They also took second in Niagara Falls and third in Cambridge.

Diane Humberstone, Alicia New, Krista Nichols, Amy Prisniak and Jessica Simpson were all reliable scorers. Splitting the votes for most improved player were Kelly Fricker and Heather Stephens.

# Comeback falls just short for Drury

So near and yet so far.

That's been the theme this spring for E.C. Drury High's boys baseball team, who have lost a one-run decision for each week of the regular season.

The Spartans' latest bout of heartbreak came at Brian Best Wednesday when — after a valiant comeback campaign — they were trimmed 6-5 by the Loyola Hawks of Oakville.

Drury, now at 3-3, manufactured four runs in the sixth inning to battle back from a 5-1 deficit. Jed Cosby cashed in Chris Hunt and Mike Austen on a double before a sacrifice fly by Ryan Harper brought in Craig McDonald.

overthrow to third base allowed him to steal home.

Loyola would eventually burst their bubble in the final frame adding another run and then registering a three-up, three-down inning on the strength of a double play to blank the Spartans and escape with the victory.

Cosby and Harper each had two hits and two RBI to lead the locals offensively. Unfortunately this plate pop didn't extend out to the rest of their batting order, as only three other hits were

recorded during the contest — and none for extra bases.

Starting pitcher Jon Grisold gave up three runs in the first but then settled down and was fairly effective over the rest of his four-inning limit.

Reliever Johnny Gleed shut down the visitors in the fifth and sixth before surrendering a one-out single to centre field for the go-ahead run.

Providing exceptional fielding for EC were second baseman Kyle Donnan and shortstop Evan Jeans.

The Spartans will compete in the Corbetts Tournament this weekend, facing Brampton's Turner Fenton and Thornlea in Cosby knotted the score on the same play, when the Hawks' round robin play tomorrow at Burlington's Millcroft Park. Game times are 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. respectively.

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aseball season is upon us. As an opening pitch we would like to acknowledge all the volunteers who have stepped up to the plate this year to make this season possible for the youth of Milton. A heartfelt thanks to the team sponsors, board members, umpires, and coaches. We would also like to thank the Canadian Champion and local businesses, who together are supplying space for this column. So make this your first stop for all information for the 1999 season. Also new this year is our presence on the web at the above address. Here you will find information about upcoming events, the MMBA organization and contacts. Please feel free to contact any board member with ideas for this space. You may also reach the web designer, Larry Sawchuk, at MMBA\_BOARD@hotmail.com



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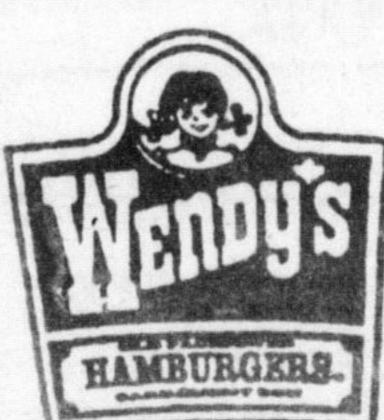
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