

Reding's junior hoopsters humbled in quarterfinals

Bishop Reding's junior girls basketball team had hoped to clear another rung on the championship ladder at Oakville's St. Thomas Aquinas Tuesday.

But as it turned out, the much-improved squad will have to wait until next season to continue its climb.

The Royals delivered a great deal of resistance against their undefeated hosts early on, but simply couldn't keep pace down the stretch and were humbled 57-17 in Halton quarterfinal play.

"They're a much bigger team and extremely skilled," said coach Mike Bertin, who led the local cagers alongside Rich Lopez.

After falling behind 8-0, BR threw up an impressive trap and outscored St. Thomas Aquinas 14-12 over the balance of the opening half. However, a few minutes into the third quarter the visitors came unraveled and began turning the ball over to the highly aggressive Raiders.

St. Thomas Aquinas won the third-quarter 13-1 on the way to their decisive victory.

Nicole Gooding and Amanda Voros put forth solid defensive efforts through the opening half while also showing strongly in her own end and leading with six rebounds plus half-a-dozen points was Melissa Sheppard.

Voros finished up with three points while four other players netted one basket each.

Hurricanes eclipsed in finals

Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades — but Halton's AAA minor novices certainly wish hockey were part of that list.

Especially after falling just short of championship gold at last weekend's Kitchener Tournament. The Hurricanes collected five wins en route to the title match, where they were nipped by Markham 2-1.

Miltonian Michael Sgarbossa scored both goals in the team's 2-0 semifinal victory over the hosts. Fellow locals Brandon Denham and Scott Dermott drew assists on the insurance marker. Before that, Dermott and Sgarbossa deposited singles in a 4-1 quarterfinal triumph over Niagara. Denham picked up assist.

The Milton trio collected points in all of the round robin games as well. Denham enjoyed the biggest single-game output — with a goal and three assists to lead Halton past London 5-3.

A double take

Can anyone say deja vu? Arron Alphonso likely did just that, after scoring back-to-back game winning goals at last weekend's Wally Beavis Minor Peeewe AAA Memorial Tournament in Peterborough.

The Hurricane sniper deposited an overtime tally to lift his team to a 4-3 semifinal victory over the hosts. From there, he provided the heroics once again with a marker late in the final frame to shade York-Simcoe 3-2 and clinch the title. Halton strung together five straight wins en route to taking the crown. Their other victims included Ajax-Pickering, Amherst, New York (4-2) and the North-Central Ontario Predators (3-1).

Miltonian Matthew Price made a significant contribution to the championship run — particularly in the semifinals when he delivered goal number two on a nifty solo effort. He also picked up one assist in each of the first two round robin victories.

Packing a wallop

The Milton A major bantams' scoring exploits continued with an 8-5 triumph in Flamborough Tuesday. The Action Utility Winterhawks — who've deliv-

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ered some superb offensive efforts this season — scored early and often to topple their hosts and improve to 8-4-2.

Sam Tomlinson enjoyed the lion's share of the scoring pie — tallying twice in the middle stanza, completing the hat-trick midway through the final frame and then assisting on goal number eight.

Ian Kornack potted two goals and added an assist while contributing a goal and an assist each were Derek Blanchard and Sean Neelands. Milton's other marksman was Wayne Benson. Single helpers went to Jesse Cabral, Blair Mabee, Sean Stinchcombe, Chris Whiting and Corey Whyte.

Guarding the cage was Corey Clarkson, who stoned Flamborough through the second period to allow his team to surge ahead and take the win.

Midgets drop pair

Their scoring total measured up, but defensive efforts fell far short.

Milton's AA midgets deposited a single tally against the Guelph Storm November 9 — the same number they did during the two teams' previous clash. However, the first time around the Primary Electric Winterhawks held the fort and skated away with a shutout victory.

By contrast, they surrendered six goals in the return engagement for a decisive loss. Breaking Guelph's goose egg with a late unassisted marker was Darryl Langstone. Four nights later at Memorial Arena, Milton found the back of the net but were outdistanced by Orangeville 9-5.

Justin Tingley led the way with a goal and three assists while singles while also standing out with a goal and two helpers was Chris Dumencu. Langstone and Scott McLaughlin had a goal and an assist each while also denting the twine was Julian Ricci.

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