Senior Royals ousted by provincial champs

Reding boys show strongly at OFSAA, but get eliminated by eventual winners

By STEVE LeBLANC

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Well, at least they were put out by the best.

Bishop Reding's senior boys soccer squad had that to cling to following a round robin exit at the OFSAA 'AAA' championships this past weekend in Hamilton.

A 3-1 Friday morning loss to Woodbridge's Holy Cross knocked the Halton/GHAC winners out of the 16-team tournament.

Holy Cross went on to complete its championship journey with three more victories, including a 3-2 decision over St. Augustine's in the finals Saturday.

So the Royals were able to take some solace in the fact that it took the province's top team to eliminate them.

Offering just as much consolation was a round two triumph over third ranked Resurrection Thursday afternoon.

Returning from a minor ankle injury in game one against Toronto's St. Michael's, Onel Martino delivered his finest high school showing ever against Resurrection. He exploded for four goals and punctuated his scoring clinic by depositing a penalty shot game-winner with just a minute remaining to topple the Kitchener-based school 5-4.

Coach amazed

Agreed co-coach Gord McCarles, "Onel had the game of his life. They (Resurrection) were double-teaming him the whole time and he was still absolutely dominating."

Kyle Grant netted goal number one in the victory, which followed a disappointing 2-1 defeat at the hands of St. Michael's Thursday morning.

The Royals had half-a-dozen key scoring chances in the opening half but managed to capitalize on only one — a goal-mouth

scramble into the bottom right corner by Chris Casa.

Those missed opportunities plus Martino's ill-timed ankle injury - which sidelined him for most of the second half - came back to haunt the local lads, who surrendered their lead shortly after intermission and went on to get vanquished.

Two games later Reding once again grabbed the upper hand when Grant notched his eighth and final playoff goal in the opening half against Holy Cross.

But the eventual champs evened the count on a penalty kick just before halftime and added two more to eliminate BR - who finished third in its division and out of playoff contention.

Exceptional cage work

Goalkeeper Allen Lourenco stood on his head down the stretch, making over a dozen saves — at least half of which presented major challenges — to keep his team within striking distance.

"Allen was just incredible," stressed cocoach Fernando Costa. "They (Holy Cross) said they'd never seen a performance quite like his."

total to an even 10.

Four were game-winners, including those against Loyola and St. Thomas Moore for the Halton and GHAC titles respectively

Making up the rest of the senior squad the school's soccer team first to reach OFSAA — were Marc Borrelli, Frank Fazio, Stefan Linder, Mark Medeiros, Bruce Milligan, Matt Patterson, Matt Stockton, Connor Sweeney, Paul Szafer, Ryan Taylor and Rufus Williams.

Junior standouts Jason Fererria and Dave Wynne were called up for the provincial championships and both saw limited

Intermediate Mavericks kick off year in fearsome fashion

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Milton's intermediate lacrosse team has given itself a lot to live up to.

The Mavericks have established themselves as a force to be reckoned with in short order --- with commanding victories in their first two games.

Kicking off its second season in fierce fashion at John Tonelli Sports Centre May 25, Milton grabbed an early lead and went on to pummel the Mimico Mountainers 11-3 in front of a small but spirited fan base.

The hosts had enough goals for the win before the game was halfway over and broke things wide open with six deposits in the final frame -- including five in as many minutes during one particularly prosperous stretch.

Josh Arnold backstopped the club to victory while his teammates delivered a balanced attack --- with seven different players denting the twine and a total of 10 collecting points.

Bobby MacDonald led the season-opening blowout with three goals while tallying twice were Derek Blanchard and Derek Mewhinney, who's coming off a rather productive inaugural campaign with the local intermediate hockey squad.

Singles were chipped in by Steve Chuchmach, Jeff Mitchell, Matt O'Meara and Kaegen Sherriff. Paul Pedulla and Jon Sweetland contributed two assists apiece.

Despite a penalty-filled second period, the game was completed in just over an hour.

The visitors scored only once in the last two frames and never got into any kind of a groove against the gritty Mavericks.

Explosive on the road .

Milton one-upped itself five days later on the road, scoring six times in the opening frame en route to battering the Whitby Warriors 12-3.

Eight Mavericks lit the lamp in this one including two-goal marksmen Blanchard, Sherriff, Rick Gallinger and Nole Coutrouzas.

Neal Barby also stood out with a goal and three helpers while Sweetland contributed a goal and two assists.

Other single deposits came from O'Meara and Jordan Gunter while between the pipes for the victors was rookie tender Jordan Lumb.

Whitby's big gunner did all the scoring for the visitors, who were restricted to just a single tally under the final 10 minutes of play.

Milton returns home Monday, June 11 to battle Markham. Game time is 9:30 p.m.

This will serve as a prelude to the ninth annual John McCauley Memorial Tournament in Brampton June 15 to 17.

Milton went undefeated, with an especially impressive defensive campaign, to take championship honours last year.

Martino's four-goal effort in round two brought his team-leading playoff scoring Defenceman's camp runs again

Applications are now being accepted for the annual Cross Border Hockey defenceman's training camp.

The program offers two one-week camps from August 13 to 17 and August 20 to 24 at Burlington's Appleby Ice Centre. Instructors include former Burlington Cougars Scott Mifsud and Mike Schutte —

now toiling in the NCAA.

Registration fees are \$139 per player per week or \$255 for both weeks. Family and group rates are available while goalies pay just \$50 per week.

To obtain an application form or for more information, call (905) 355-1504.

HALTON REGION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Campbellville Settlement Area - Groundwater Investigation

WHERE:

LION'S COMMUNITY CENTRE GUELPH LINE

(South of railway tracks in Campbellville on the west side) Thursday, June 14, 2001

WHEN: TIME:

7:00 to 9:00 PM (Presentation at 7:30)

The Region of Halton and the Town of Milton are in the process of finalizing an investigation on the groundwater resources within the Hamlet of Campbellville and its surroundings. Members of the public are invited to attend the final public meeting where our consultant will present the findings of the study and discuss the implications for the Hamlet of Campbellville.

Halton Region Health Department staff will also be in attendance providing information and advice about well water quality.

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