

Sr. Mustangs engineer big win over Blakelock

Victory keeps home-field advantage hopes alive

By **STEVE LeBLANC**

The Champion

It was an afternoon of big returns for the Mustangs.

At T.A. Blakelock in Oakville Friday, Milton District's senior football team fought its way back onto both the score sheet and win column by downing the Tigers 21-0.

The shutout victory kept hopes for first round home-field advantage alive and lifted the division two squad's season record to 2-3.

"The guys really wanted to re-establish their physical play after getting shut out by Q.E. Park," said head coach Keith Pearce. "I think it's fair to say they did. We were strong in all facets of the game."

Defensive coordinator Dave Curk made a few adjustments for week five that allowed his team to stifle Blakelock's passing-rich attack.

Scott Carey and John Taylor were particularly effective in this department while other standout efforts on defense came

from co-captain Simon Brennan, Ryan Page, Dan Greenland-Perry, Mark Periera and Josh Suter.

Meanwhile, Lee Frittenburg offered a dynamite debut at running back — amassing 60 yards in the opening half alone and setting up the first of two touchdowns by offensive standout Lewis Delpratt.

Brad Finkbeiner also reached the end-zone while Justin Preece kicked all three extra points and narrowly missed a 38-yard field goal attempt.

MD's three majors were all delivered in the first half. Quarterback Mark Grimwood's impressive air-strike accounted for two of the scoring plays, while his scrambling skills resulted in a few first downs to keep drives going.

The 21 points scored represent a single-game high for the local seniors this year.

The Mustangs should be able to square its record during season-ending play against the winless Georgetown Rebels Thursday. MD hosts the 3:30 p.m. contest. Playoff action will begin Friday, Nov. 2.

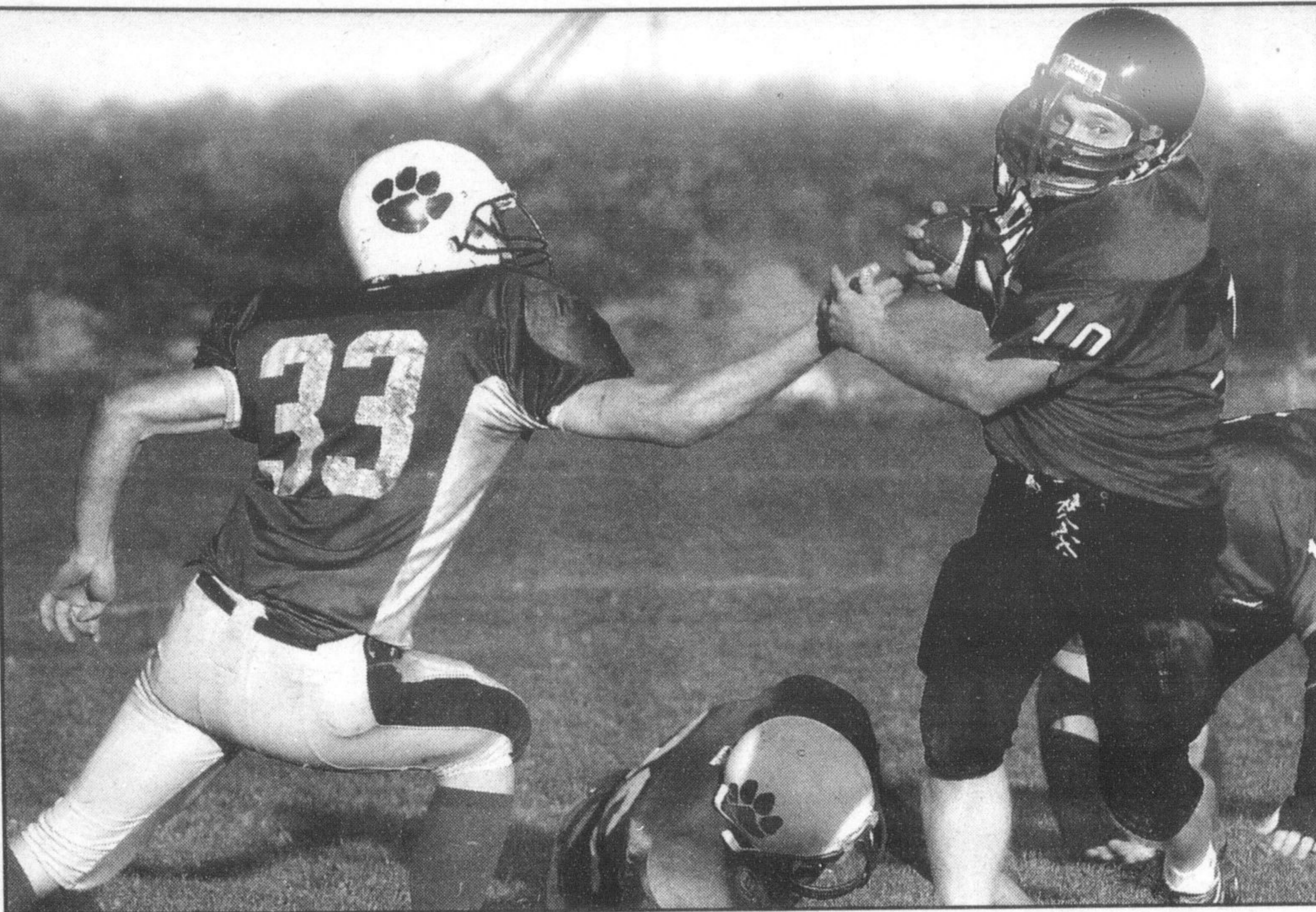


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Lions given a Royal beating

Bishop Reding's Ryan Taylor drives the field during senior football play against Aldershot Friday. BR enjoyed a strong first half and defeated the Lions 25-7 to improve to 2-3.

E.C.'s junior girls ousted in title match

Ill-timed injury, scoring drought does in Drury

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The E.C. Drury junior girls field hockey team was on a championship collision course all season long with Burlington's Notre Dame Irish.

Unfortunately, the inevitable impact met with some unfavourable results for the local ladies at Oakville's Glen Ashton Park Friday.

First, Justine Williams was sidelined when the ball caught her square in the jaw — thus removing one of the team's spark plugs before competition really got heated up.

And things didn't get any better for the balance of the afternoon regional finals, as

the Spartans were upstaged at both ends en route to being vanquished 3-0.

Like Notre Dame, Drury had surrendered just one measly goal all season and was undefeated heading into the title match.

The Spartans got within striking range three times in the early going, but just couldn't pull the trigger. From there, the eventual champions stepped things up and dominated all but a few brief moments of the second half — cementing their win with a couple of goals down the stretch.

Irish Natalie McCulloch tallied twice, while adding the second insurance marker on a nifty short-range deflection was Stephanie Nardili. McCulloch's game winner was deposited on a rebound following an initial kick save by Jen Welsh.

Drury's goaltender made two other stops in similar fashion to keep her team in the

championship hunt — enjoying credible support along the way from Laura Lighthall and Katie Wollaston.

Also offering solid performances were Catherine Polcz and Laura Wellstead.

On home field Wednesday, Drury secured a championship berth by white-washing Burlington's Assumption Crusaders 2-0. Welsh was in net for the semifinal win while goals were delivered by Katherine Greaves and Kristin McIlroy.

Friday marked the first time in recent memory that an E.C. team (not including wrestling) competed in the regional finals.

Making up the rest of the silver-medal team were Candice Anderson, Stephanie Belair, Lauren Gunding, Brittany Lockwood, Kerri McArthur, Jaime Robinson, Alison Strazdins, Kaitlyn Tsurda, Alicia Turner Sara Williams and Jan Wollaston.

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From the Principal's Desk...

Our 2001 - 2002 school year is off to a fantastic start - both academically and socially. Our current enrolment is 50 students, but we expect that to grow significantly as more parents become aware of the programs and extra curricular activities that we provide - including pre-school and after-school care, and a home-cooked lunch prepared daily on-site by our housekeeper.

Our extended school day gives us the time to cover the Ontario new curriculum, as well as offer many additional programs. We are into our third week of swimming classes at the Milton Leisure Centre. All our students take French, music, karate, yoga, individual piano lessons, and sign language. Our Grades 4-7 students also take band, and our music department is already working on our Christmas musical - Peter Pan. As well as being the principal, I am also the computer teacher and am in the process of updating our computer lab so the students will have up-to-date systems on which to learn. We also have on-site diagnostic testing for all our students so that any learning difficulties are speedily identified and individual learning strategies put in place. As our maximum class size is only fourteen students, our teachers are able to give each child more one-on-one assistance than they would get in the regular school system.

We encourage our students to take part in many local activities. A number entered items in the various categories at the Milton Fall Fair - and won some prize money, which they are donating to the US Relief. Before Thanksgiving, we held a food drive for the Local Food Bank. Our students participated

in a Terry Fox run. Our location on the 82-acre Country Heritage Park provides access to many historic and farm life experiences. On the Thursday before Thanksgiving, our students attended a program at the 1910 schoolhouse, and then enjoyed a full turkey dinner in the schoolhouse grounds. In the winter, we will be going cross-country skiing and/or snowshoeing and come spring, playing soccer. A representative from Milton Public Library has visited the school and made presentations to all age groups. The school is also planning to take part in the Milton Risk Watch program in conjunction with the Milton Fire Department.

Next week most of our students - and many parents - are going to the Shaw Festival to see the last performance of Peter Pan. In November, our Grades 4-7 are going to the ROM to take part in a museum-run program to complete their units on Egypt and Aborigines. As you can see from all these activities - and I have mentioned only a few - we run a very interesting and enriching program for our children.

I began my duties as principal of Milton Heights in September, and although I have only been here a short time, I am very impressed with the commitment and caring shown by our teachers and teaching assistants. We have a very-well qualified and dedicated staff who provide a loving and nurturing environment in which our students flourish. If you would like to see us in action, please call (905) 693-1557 and ask me. Avril Kruger, I would be happy to introduce you to our site, our students, and our staff.

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Milton Minor Hockey Association

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