

'AA' minor peewees deliver first round series upset over G'town

'Hawks battle back from two series deficits to dispose of the Raiders

Milton's AA minor peewees sure made up for lost time.

The Winterhawks went winless through regular-season play, but successfully shed their basement-dwelling status with three wins in the opening round to knock off Georgetown.

The best-of-five showdown went down to the wire, with the local lads bringing their series upset to fruition by toppling the host Raiders 3-1 Saturday afternoon at Gordon Alcott Arena.

Duke Reid's 15-save effort and an inspired performance by the entire lineup combined for the nail-biting victory. Milton staked itself to a two-goal lead in

the opening frame and hung tough the rest of the way.

A Jeff Lynch powerplay marker in the second period restored the team's two-goal lead.

Michael Brown notched the game-winner, while goal number one was sunk midway through the first by Daryl Brinke.

Assists were recorded by Shawn Aguiar, Craig Howse, Ryan Lecky, Jeff Thomson and Michael Vipond.

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Both of these wins — which set the stage for the game-five victory party — came at Memorial Arena. Game time is 5 p.m.

Howse provided the heroics in the latter triumph, delivering both the tying and winning goals to trim Georgetown 4-3.

Cole Madansky also tallied twice while standing out with three assists was Thomson.

Between the pipes for the game four win was Nick Nevins.

"The team commitment to a solid defensive game plan and a strong work ethic is what made the difference," said head coach Martin Hannah.

Milton began round two play with a 4-1 loss in Burlington Monday.

The series continues Saturday at Memorial Arena. Game time is 5 p.m.

'A' midgets finally flex their scoring muscles to clinch the opening round

Milton's A midgets engineered two late comebacks to put themselves in position to win round one.

But when it came time to clinch the series, they exchanged drama for dominance and annihilated the Georgetown Raiders 8-1 Monday night at Gordon Alcott Arena.

The Winterhawks struck early and often in the lopsided affair, while their hosts' lone deposit was made well into the final frame — at which point the verdict had already been delivered.

Josh Caswell, Milton's game three hero, led offensively with a goal and four assists. Tallying twice and adding a helper each

were Tim Anderson and Wes McDougall.

Also scoring for the victors were Nic Cashmore, Andrew McMaster and Tom Patrick.

Defensively, Milton offered a credible performance in support of netminder Nathaniel Murray.

The blowout was a return to regular season play, during which the local midgets ran roughshod over their regional rivals — who up until game four made the series much more competitive than was initially expected.

The Winterhawks now advance to second-round play against the Brampton Battalion.

✓ Hefty haul for wrestlers

E.C. Drury's provincial prowess continues.

The Spartans wrestlers secured a handful of medals — including two of the golden variety — during last weekend's Ontario Juvenile/Cadet Championships at Brock University. This hardware haul gave the local team fourth place in the cadet standings — just one point shy of third.


Among 57.3-kilogram cadets it was an all-E.C. Drury final, with Gary Ferrier's vast experience a little too much to handle for fellow Spartan Carl Chan.

Ferrier's 7-1 decision — which wrapped up an undefeated weekend on the mat — gave him a fifth provincial title and second win in as many years over Chan.

Adam Smith ran roughshod over his 66.5 kg. cadet class opposition with three convincing victories to capture gold. After an opening-round bye, he secured back-to-back pin-falls to reach the final — where he scored early and often to blank Sudbury's John Berry 10-0.

Matt Knock followed up on last year's cadet championship win with a silver-medal performance during his debut as a juvenile. Following consecutive pin-fall wins, the 58 kg. wrestler staged a huge semifinal comeback before being edged by London's Mark Crockett 3-0. The Spartans' medal count was rounded out with a bronze by 77 kg. cadet Steve Shortt.

Ferrier, Smith and Chan will now represent the school at next month's Ontario Winter Games in Guelph. Shortt enjoys alternate status and could still join the others. Meanwhile, Knock has qualified for this spring's nationals in Fredericton, New Brunswick. Canadian cadet entries will be determined at the Ontario Winter Games.



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