



Milton shortstop Nicole Lee tags out a Halton Hills runner at second during Saturday's 3-1 win in tournament play. The Mystics won all four games to take top spot.

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## Mystics golden in Georgetown

The Mystics sure know how to make a good first impression. Delivering a sensational season start this past weekend in Georgetown, Milton's midget girls fast-pitch team engineered four straight wins to reign supreme in tournament play.

The tournament was cut short due to Sunday showers, so roundrobin standings were used to determine team placings.

The Mystics topped the field on the strength of dynamite pitching from Ali Djordjevic - who, with two other hurlers unavailable for most of the weekend, worked all but one inning and allowed just four runs on a dozen hits.

She was particularly stingy during shutout victories over Chinguacousy (5-0) and Kitchener (1-0), although Shannon Mosdell picked up the win in the later game when she suited up for the final inning when Nicole Jurgen drove in Amanda Frutty for the lone run.

Against Chinguacousy Friday, Djordjevic tossed a two-hitter while Nicole Lee stood out offensively with a couple of hits and three RBI.

This tournament-opening triumph was quickly followed by three narrow victories Saturday - including those over Stratford (4-3) and Halton Hills (3-1).

The Stratford game went to an international tiebreaker, in which Lee drove in Frutty and was then brought home herself by Jurgen.

Djordjevic was effective on the hill against Stratford and even more so versus the tournament hosts, whom she restricted to a handful of hits. The Mystics beat them with a run in the second and two in the third. Frutty belted out a pair of hits to lead the way.

Milton began league play last night at home against Mississauga North and is on the road Thursday in Chinguacousy. This weekend they'll be back in tournament play in Markham before closing out the holiday weekend Monday at Lions Sport Park against Chinguacousy. Game time is 8:30 p.m.

## Local ladies field junior fastball team

Milton men no longer have a monopoly on junior baseball.

For the first time in recent memory - perhaps ever - local ladies will field a junior squad that'll compete in Tri County's 15-team open class league.

This means the Mystics - most of whom played midget last summer - will be up against many intermediate and senior level clubs from across southern Ontario. "We're definitely among the youngest teams," said manager Roy Harrold. "Most of our players are only turning 20 this year."

That youth and inexperience showed through during the local ladies' home opener last Tuesday at Lions Sport Park, where they were humbled 6-1 by the more seasoned Hamilton Pontiacs.

The Mystics fared better in Port Dover Wednesday - trailing 3-2 when the game was called due to inclement weather after four innings.

Milton's 13-player team is back at Lions Sport Park tonight to take on the Hamilton Hurricanes. Game time is 8:30 p.m.

This will serve as a tune-up for this weekend's tournament action in Markham.

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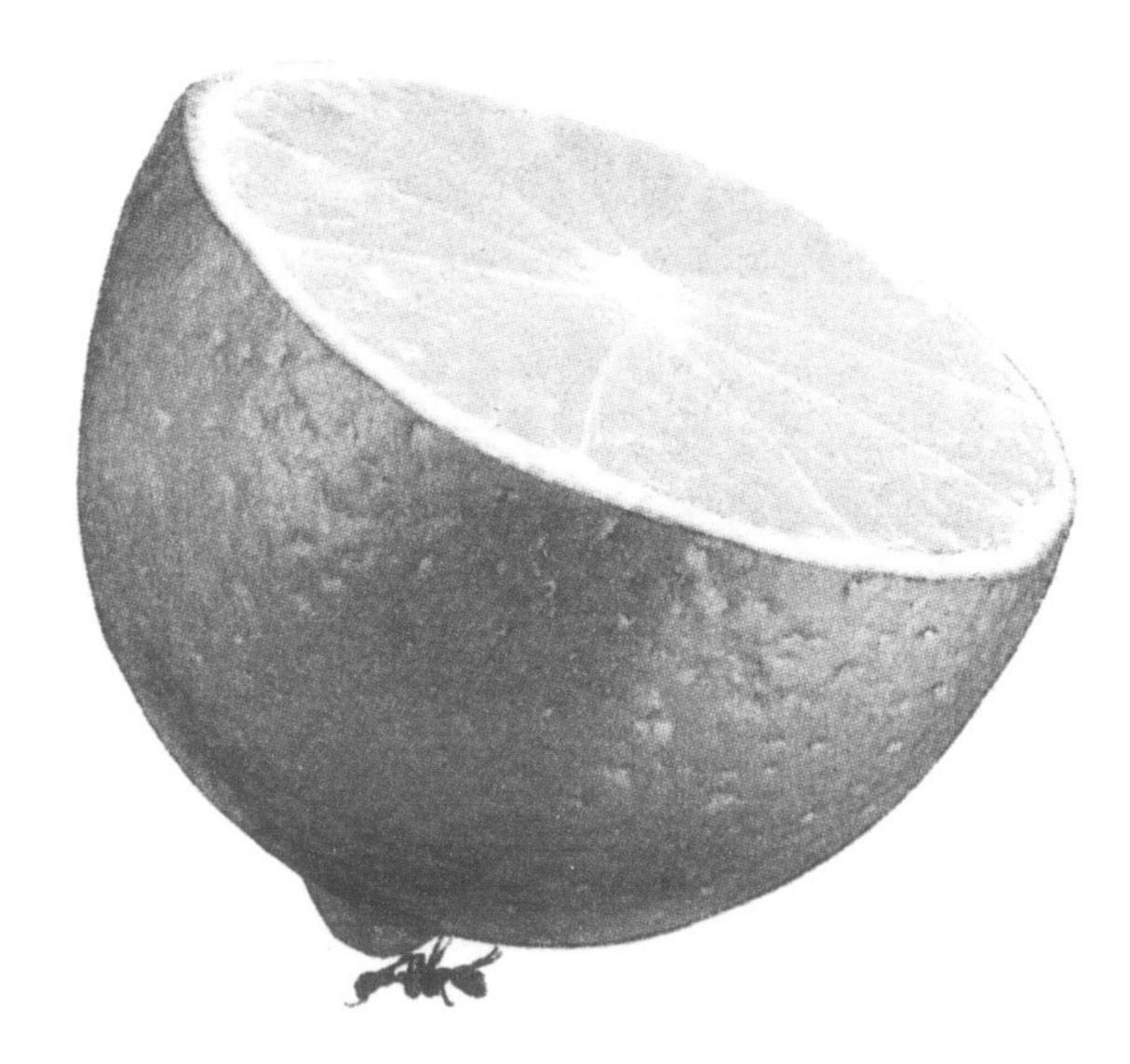
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