

# Huge win for Under 10 Magic

Milton's Under-10 rep boys soccer squad fired on all cylinders July 26, thumping Caledon 5-0.

The lopsided victory — coming on the heels of many solid but unsuccessful outings earlier in the month — was largely the doing of striker Matthew Hunter.

He dominated with a season-high three goals, the most stylish of which was a beautifully-executed header deposit that was set up by Liam Robinson and MacKenzie Robertson.

Robinson and Cameron Stockall added single markers, each breaking through Caledon's defense before denting the twine. Milton cager Mitchell Adamson stood tall between the pipes and enjoyed topnotch support from fill-in sweeper Eric Schroder.

The decisive win followed a credible performance at the Ajax Tournament, where the Magic were severely short-staffed yet managed to keep things respectable.

Kevin Entmaa and Ross Morgan each scored and provided sound defense, as did sweeper Adam Blay.

The local lads were hoping to build on this solid stretch last night against Mississauga.

## Milton duo advances with Northmen

At left, Matt DeCaire looks to make a pass while fellow Miltonian and Orangeville Northman Rick Gallinger (24) handles the ball while being watched by a Brampton opponent during game four of first-round Jr. A playoff action between Orangeville and Brampton. Orangeville lost the game, as well as the next two before finally knocking off Brampton 9-7 in game seven Wednesday night. Orangeville will now do battle with Six Nations. Meanwhile, fellow Miltonians Kyle Goertz and Jon Ram had their Jr. B playoff run recently ended, when their Spartan Warriors were swept in three straight by the Elora Mohawks in the Western Conference finals.

# There's plenty of unsung heros on our sports scene

Emily O'Gorman blows her whistle three times and walks off the field.

There are no cheers, no praise from a coach, no pats on the back from a teammate.

A coach does remark that she did a good job, but she doesn't hear it and doesn't expect to.

The 14-year-old soccer referee is one of many involved in sports who can't win, and to whom glory is only something they can watch someone else achieve. Yet, she's also one of many involved in sports we can't do without.

There are some rewards, including \$12 a game, not bad for a summer job for someone her age. "Some of my friends were doing it," explains Emily of how she got started. "They said it was fun, so I thought I'd give it a try."

And is it fun? "It's fun being in control of the game. I don't like when players or parents disagree with something, but I just tell them I call what I see."

Emily's benefits may be far greater than \$12 a game in terms of life experience, but it's still a thankless task.

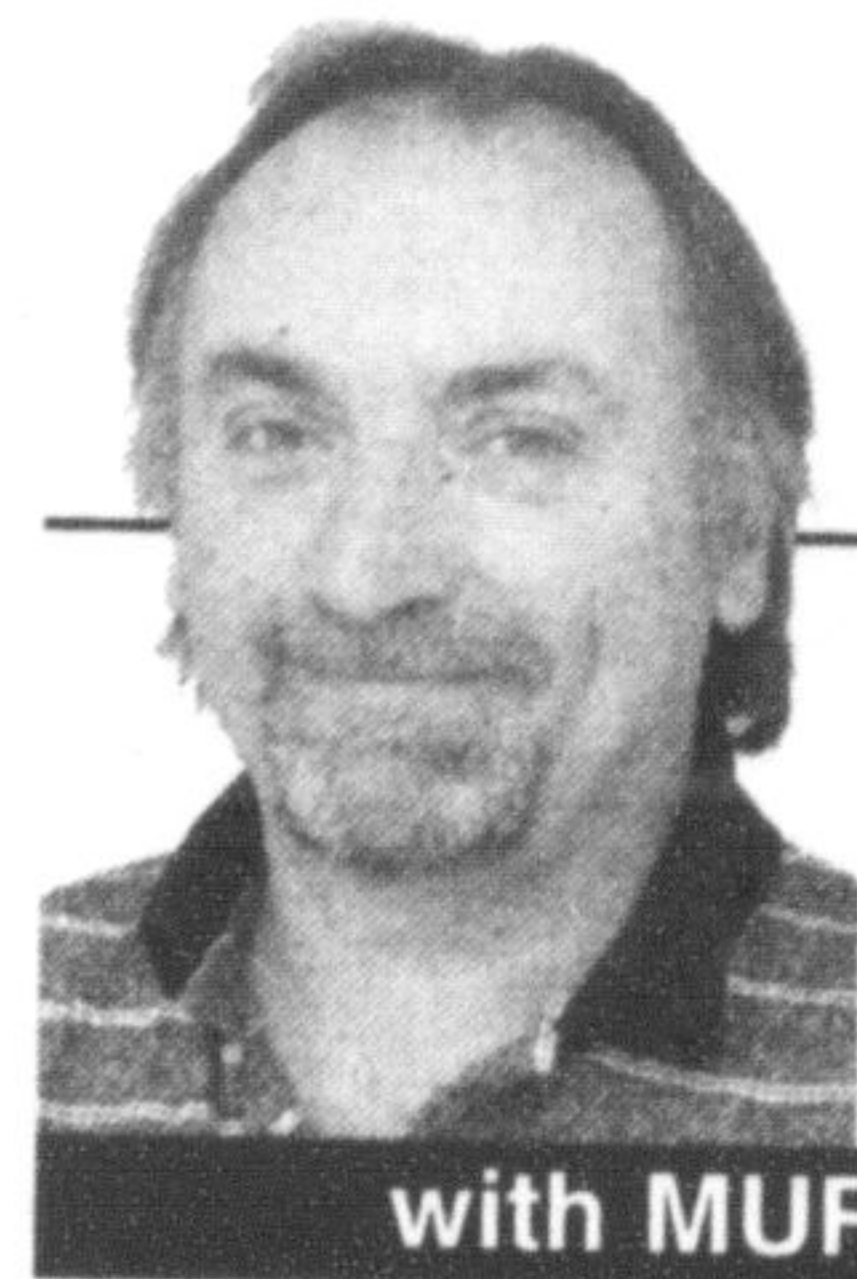
Other referees, coaches, scorekeepers, trainers, league officials and even parents fit into the same category — doing what they do for the benefit of others, with little expectation of personal rewards.

Glenn Turner is a perfect example of that.

He's just wrapped up practice with the Milton Red Sox junior baseball team at Brian Best Park. He's reluctant to even talk about it, suggesting he doesn't need any recognition for what he does.

Maybe he doesn't need it, but he deserves it. Turner has coached off and on since he was 16-years-old, including the last dozen years straight — which includes a lengthy stint with the Milton Senior Red Sox.

He does grounds keeping, has umpired, and has been the convener of the COBA senior league for the last seven or eight years. If it has to do with baseball in Milton, he knows about it.



## Out in left field

with MURRAY TOWNSEND

"It's the sheer love of the game," explains Turner, about what keeps him going.

That's even more apparent in his case because he doesn't have any kids of his own in the sport, which is how many people get involved

in volunteering their time.

It's also about being successful as a team. Turner's favourite memory is winning the Ontario 'C' championship in 1991. And every year it's about getting another one. "When you've got 20 guys with that same interest, it can be absolutely spectacular. It's the will to win. When I lose that, I won't come back."

And one more factor to do with the sport itself. "There's a huge history of baseball in Milton, dating back to about 1880. I do my little part to try and keep it all going, especially with the help of my wife, Lonere."

Over at Bishop Reding Secondary School, Craig Laciok is lying on the sidelines getting his foot iced down while the Milton Marauders practice. If there was ever a position in any sport that received less glory, it's the offensive lineman in football. At 6'2" and 300 pounds, Laciok played for Carleton University and had an opportunity with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats. "There are no stats for the position," notes Laciok. "There's nothing to say that you did a good job."

The rewards are mostly self satisfaction when you help the team, he explains: "You feel good when a running back gets good yardage, and when you give the quarterback time to throw."

Why would anybody choose to play on the offensive line? "You

start off by getting thrown into the position and then you grow to respect it. A line can win or lose you a championship."

There are a lot of intricacies that go with the position, which he points out, along with the fact that only experienced football people are ever going to recognize or understand them. Linemen know their work won't be appreciated by the average fan. "Stereotypically," jokes Laciok, "we're the last one the girls come to, and the first one the waitress comes to."

It's not that he doesn't fantasize about the glory reserved for the other positions. "Every fat man wants to score a touchdown... a game-winning touchdown," says Laciok.

Maybe that won't ever happen, but others will score that game-winning touchdown, and it may very well be because of an offensive lineman who'll get no credit whatsoever.

There are a lot of people involved in sports in Milton on any given night who won't ever make the sports headlines, but none of the people who do make the headlines could do it without them.

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A reminder that all cheques for registration will be cashed August 1st for those that registered between March 27th and July 30th.

Milton Minor Hockey will be accepting out of town registrations for House League starting in August. Registration is filling up fast, please call 905-878-8340 to register.

If you have used goaltender equipment and you would like to sell, please contact the MMHA office at 905-878-8340.

## Calendar signing slated for August 21

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and get a jump on all the calendars that will flood the market before Christmas.

In total, 20 teams and 350 individuals are included in the calendar, which with black and white photos has a kind of old-time hockey look to it.

Adorning the cover is a 1920s picture of the Mill Pond and snapshots of three local

arenas — including the old Brown Street barn — which further enhances its historic appearance.

Remarker Dills, "Sports is a significant aspect of our community. We knew there'd be enough appeal for hockey, and this is a way to summarize and acknowledge all of the activity here."

Dates of historical importance — in the

world of hockey as well as on a national and local level — are peppered throughout the calendar, which is available at such local stores as Harris Stationary and Spice O'Life Card and Gift. It sells for \$12.

A special autograph signing, open to all those featured in the calendar, will be held at the Farmers' Market August 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

"The business that considers itself immune to the necessity for advertising sooner or later finds itself immune to business."

Derby Brown