## Crouching Tigers devour competition

#### Clinch both league and tournament titles

In the end there was just no de-clawing the Milton Crouching Tigers.

The 25-and-over ladies soccer team completed their 2005 gold rush recently in Mississauga, defending their tournament title in the most dramatic fashion possible - with a 2-1 shoot-out victory over the Dixie Strikers.

Paula Reid and Martha Clipperton did the scoring, while goalie Maria Dinunzio turned back three Dixie shooters and the other two missed the net.

"It was whole team effort this year," said fourth year head coach Bernie Fryers, whose Crouching Tigers also won the league championship with an unbeaten record of 13 wins and three ties in their 10team loop.

The Crouching Tigers' hopes for retaining their tournament title looked a little failed to capitalize on some initial chances opponent 5-0.



The Crouching Tigers celebrate after winning their tournament crown.

and fell behind 1-0. But Shannon McLennan kept their championship bid alive with a second-half equalizer — burying a rebound off a corner kick by Reid with about 10 minutes remaining.

Margaret McQueen and Traci O'Hara also stood out in the finals with some exceptional defense — which was the team's strong suit all season, having given up only seven goals in league play and just three more at the tournament.

The Crouching Tigers went 2-1-1 on day one of the tournament to reach the semifibleak through the early going, as they nals, where they dumped another Dixie

### 'Stangs humbled again

A lack of practice and depth continued to should be a different team for Pearson." be a crippling combination for the tier two Mustangs Thursday afternoon.

With just two days to regroup from a tough season-opening loss to Georgetown, Milton District's seniors didn't look any better against host Burlington Central losing 28-8. As expected, a host of mental errors stymied what by all accounts is a quite athletically-gifted squad.

"We're scary atrocious right now. The guys don't know what they're doing," said head coach Richard Grant. "But the good news is we can only get better and with three straight days practice (this week) we p.m.

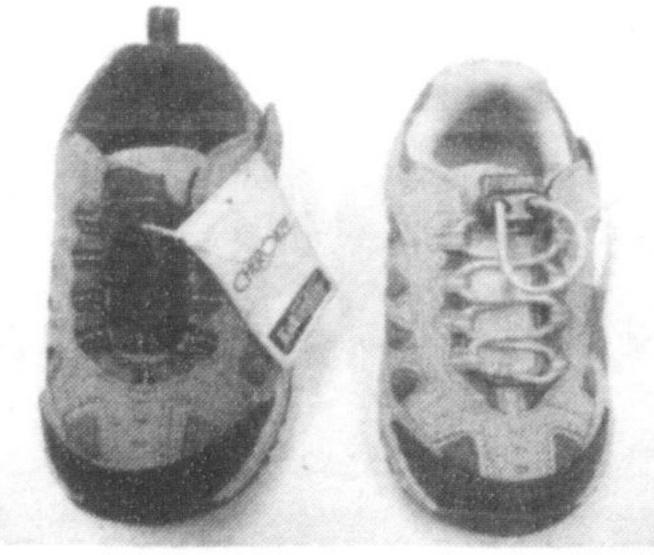
Quarterback Aaron Alston broke Central's shutout bid late in the fourth quarter with a 20-yard scramble into the end-zone. He then connected with Nick Vipond for the two-point convert.

Otherwise, Thursday held little in the way of bright spots for MD. Botched formations and penalties kept MD from sustaining drives, while the defense had all sorts of problems neutralizing the sweep.

The Mustangs will compete under the lights Thursday at Burlington's Nelson Stadium against Lester B. Pearson at 6

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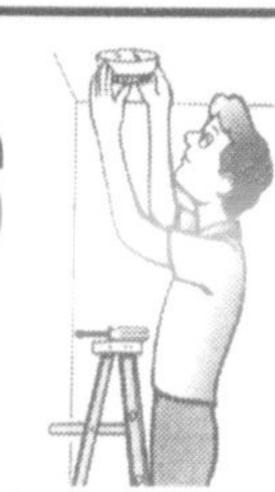
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