

# SPORTS

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**CELEBRATION TIME:** Above, members of Aero Supplies celebrate their shoot-out victory over Nadalin Electric in Under-12 boys quarterfinal play during the Milton Youth Soccer Club's Championship Day Saturday at Lions Sports Park. While Aero Supplies wasn't able to go on and capture the division title, the 10th-place team did stage one of the day's biggest upsets — eclipsing 2nd-place Nadalin Electric on a goal by William Skoryk, the only one of the shootout. At left, Justin Ganly (left) of OPSEU Local 234 battles it out with Patrick Swicka of Daniel's Asphalt and Sealing Maintenance in Under-14 boys quarterfinal play. Daniel's won 1-0 and made it to the finals before falling to NGF Golf. Classic Coolers took top honours in the Under-12 boys division while Under-16 boys championship honours went to Brian's Auto Repairs and Tire Centre. Girls titles were secured by Van Dongen's Nurseries (Under-12), Credit Valley Shrine Club (Under-14) and Rainbow Group Ltd. (Under-16).

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## Lightning strikes IceHawks

*Milton's first real shot at victory slips away*

A late-night Lightning strike crushed the IceHawks' first legitimate shot at a victory in Buffalo Wednesday.

Taking advantage of a surge of third-period penalties by their rebuilding guests, the Lightning scored three times with the



man-advantage in the final 6:43 of play — the equalizer coming with just 1:18 remaining — to force overtime. About a minute-and-a-half later Mario Cote sank his third of the night, and fifth powerplay goal for the hosts, to eclipse Milton 8-7.

The IceHawks would score four powerplay goals themselves and add another while shorthanded in another reminder of just how crucial special-teams play will be while Tier 2 Jr. A clubs struggle to adjust to the newly-adopted crackdown on obstruction and sticking violations.

Seven different Milton players lit the lamp. Leading the way with a goal and two assists was former Glanbrook Jr. C centre David Vallorani, who's scored in all four games so far.

While not realistically expected to measure up to the beefed up and far more seasoned Red Wings Monday night in Hamilton, a lack of powerplay punch kept the IceHawks from making things competitive.

A 7-1 pounding featured a discouraging 1-for-25 campaign with the extra attacker — with the lone goal, by Vallorani, coming midway through the first on a two-man advantage. Three shorthanded goals against added more than a little sting to the decisive loss.

The IceHawks begin a home-and-home weekend with Mississauga tonight at Memorial Arena at 7:30 p.m.

## Magic selects' championship beat goes on

*Win third straight tournament*

Late-summer tournament play has quickly become a victory tour for Milton's Under-12 select girls.

With all cylinders firing last weekend in North Mississauga, the Magic claimed their third straight tournament title — punctuating this latest championship drive with Sunday's 2-0 decision over Burlington.

Christine West broke a scoreless stalemate early in the second half off a free kick, while Rebecca Hinton provided the insurance marker in the late stages of play — scoring

her second of the weekend off a big solo challenge against the opposing netminder.

Even more stingy than they were during their previous two tournament triumphs — which followed back-to-back second-place finishes — the Magic gave up a measly one goal over their five games in North Mississauga.

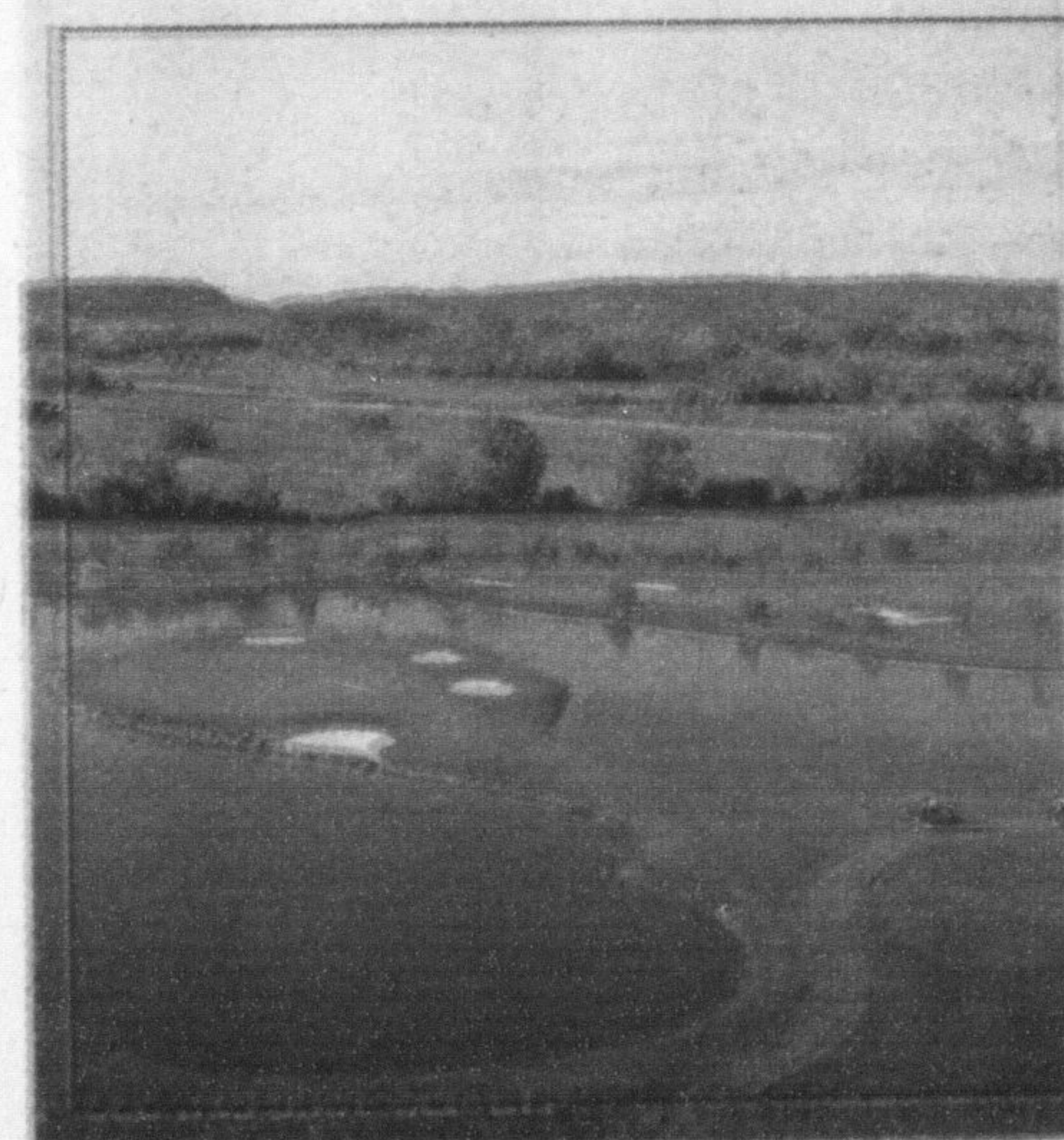
That came in an opening-round 2-1 win over the hosts. An always productive Vanessa Consiglio scored both goals and finished the weekend with a team-leading four deposits, the last of which was delivered in a 1-0 semifinal squeaker over Mississauga

Croatia.

Much like she's been all season long, Danielle Vella was rock solid between the pipes, with some exceptional support coming from defender Courtney Johnston.

The Magic will look to keep their winning ways going in league semifinal play with Erin Mills Monday night at Lions Sports Park. Game time is 7 p.m.

If victorious, they'll be back on home field the following Monday, September 25, for the championship against either Burlington or Brampton.



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