

Spartan cagers eclipsed in Tier 2 semifinals

E.C. Drury's senior basketball team no doubt has a newfound appreciation for the old adage 'It's not over till it's over.'

With a mere six seconds left in Halton Tier 2 semifinal play at

Burlington Central Tuesday afternoon, the upset-minded Spartans gave up one last basket in the paint and were eclipsed 30-29 by the still unbeaten Trojans.

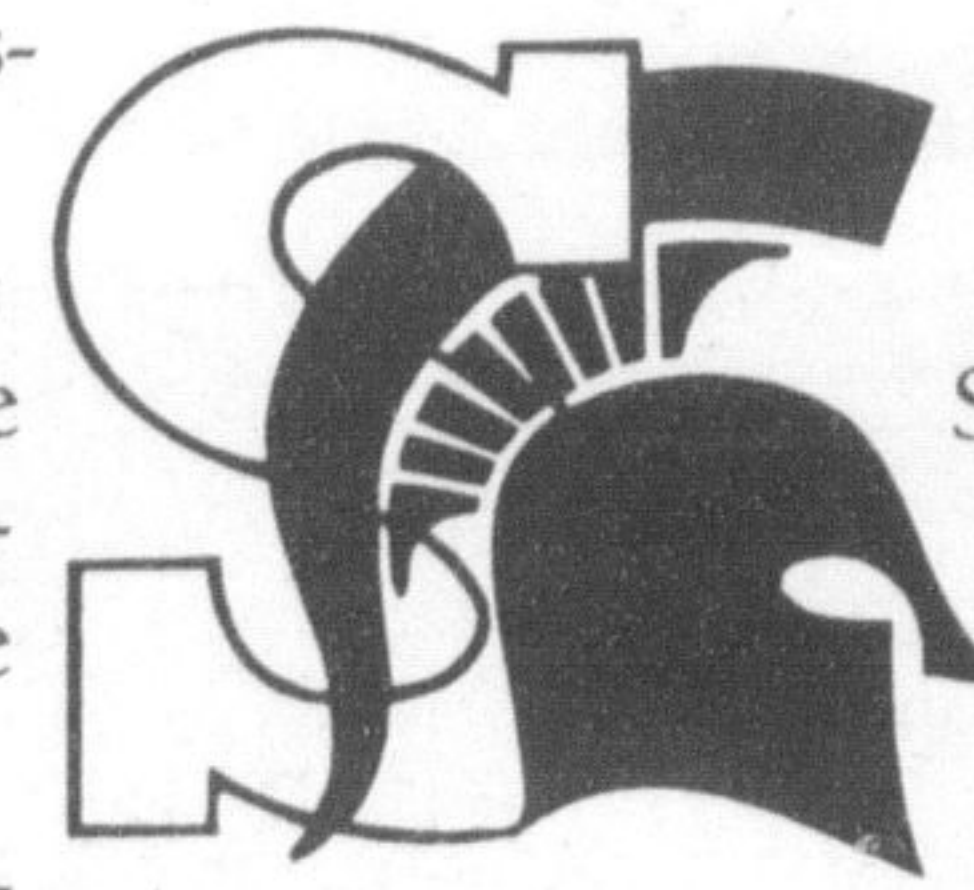
Drury had looked to have secured a

championship berth just 10 seconds earlier, having squeaked ahead on a foul shot by Tory McCutcheon and then promptly regained possession.

But a questionable turnover gave the hosts the narrow window of opportunity they'd need to spoil the Spartans' victory party.

"They had a really boisterous crowd there and it was such an exciting game," said first-year head coach Andras Krumins, whose team edged Aldershot 40-37 in the quarterfinals. "The girls played with so much heart and I'm really proud of them."

Along with her would-be game-winning free throw, McCutcheon had seven other points and led the underdog visitors in terms of both rebounding and blocks.



Veterans Brooke Harper and Sarah Fredricks stood out with 10 and eight points respectively, while Emily Johnston came off the bench to provide some credible defence to

spark a fourth-quarter comeback for the Spartans.

Central had led for most of the semifinal showdown, after Fredricks ran into foul trouble and had to be taken out.

'Hawks add trio to roster

The rebuilding IceHawks have made a trio of deals this week in an effort to shore up the defensive side of their game.

In a not-too-surprising move — with 20-year-old Burlington native Taylor Dunn seeing no play in recent weeks — Milton has acquired another goaltender to join a currently-overworked Vince Cusick. Picked up Tuesday was Georgetown back-up Cameron Healey, a 17-year-old cager who departed the Raiders with a 3-2 record and 2.78 goals-against average. The King City teen finished out his time in Georgetown with a 21-save shutout in Saturday's 3-0 whitewash of Mississauga.

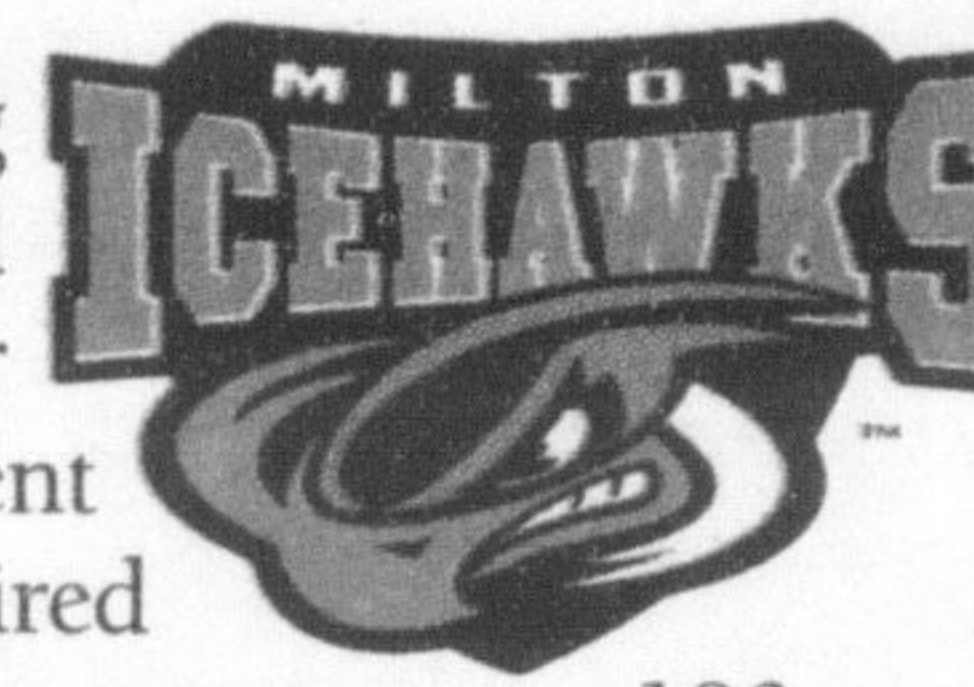
Dunn is now being shopped around.

The IceHawks also beefed up their blueline unit this past week with the addition of 17-year-old Kevin Quincey from the Brampton Capitals and 18-year-old Kale Hudolin of the Southern Conference's Markham Waxers.

A Caledon native, six-foot, 190-pound Quincey had a goal and two assists plus 49 penalty minutes in 15 games with Brampton this season, while six-foot-two-inch, 190-pound Hudolin — from Toronto — had no points and two minor fractions in 11 games with Markham.

All three deals were for cash.

The newcomers are expected to be in the lineup tonight, when the IceHawks host Hamilton.



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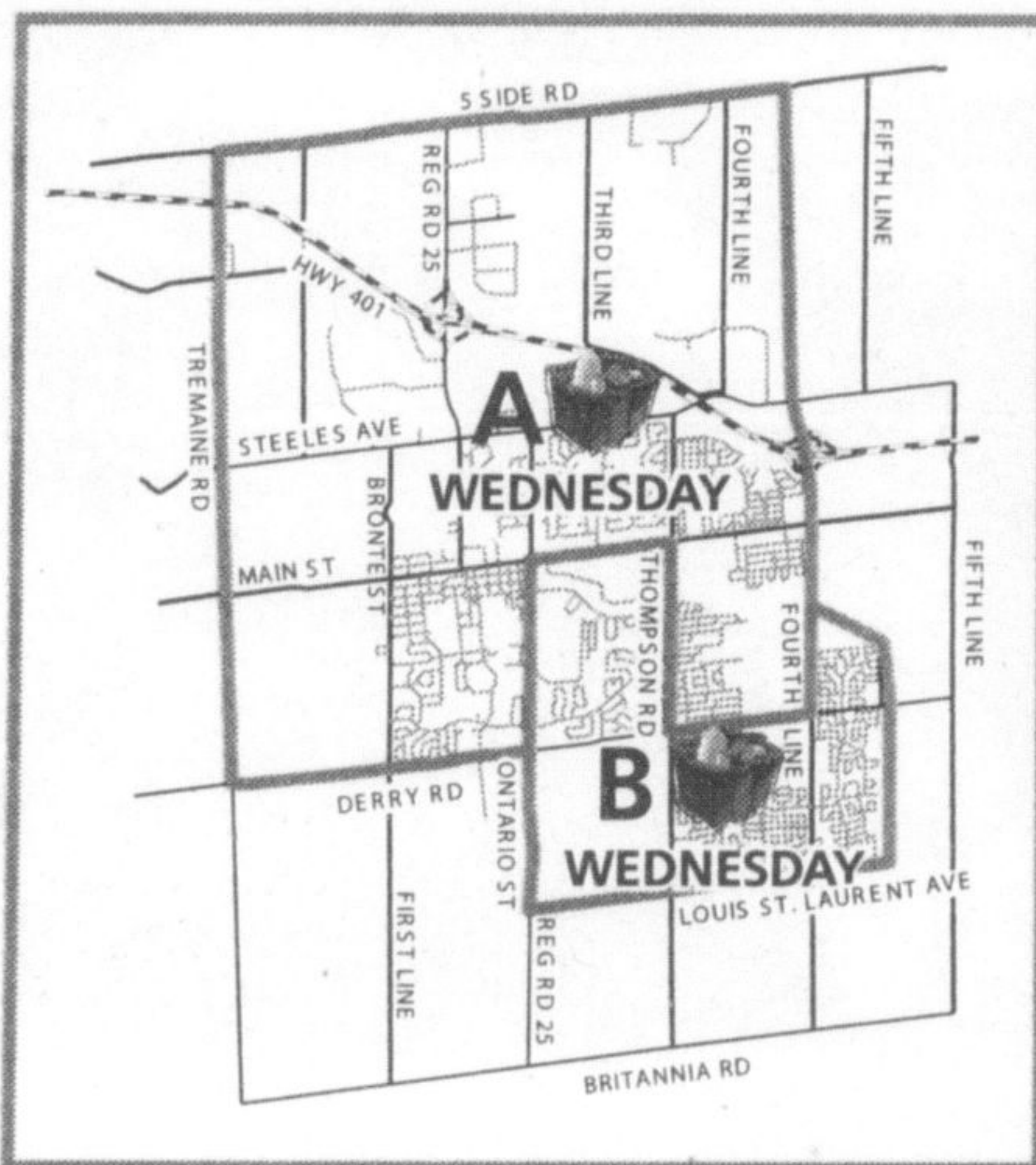
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