## Minor peewees reach OMHA semis

The cardiac kids have come through once

Getting quite comfortable with having their backs to the wall, Milton's AA minor peewees cleared another OMHA hurdle last week — rallying from a two-games-to-one quarterfinal deficit to outlast the favoured Ancaster Avalanche and advance further than they ever have.

The Winterhawks booked passage to the semis with a 3-2 squeaker in Ancaster Saturday afternoon. This marked their fourth do-or-die victory of the month, with every win secured by the narrowest of margins.

Stepping things up under pressure, captain Ben Preisner scored two goals — the first a mere 11 seconds into the game — and assisted on Matthew Lenahan's eventual winner late in the second peri-

The Avalanche would draw within one just before intermission, but were stoned the rest of the way by a sharp Anthony Henein, who held Ancaster to two goals or less in all three series wins.

Lenahan also assisted on Preisner's second marker, while also registering helpers were Andrew Dodson, Matthew Gooding, Sean Walter and Alex Webster.

Some late penalty killing and a standout defensive effort by Austin Dezeeuw also factored into n the nail-biting victory, which followed a

2-1 triumph at Milton Sports Centre. Henein came through between the pipes, while Walter capped the comeback with 3:19 left to play.

Relying heavily on their goaltending and defence again this season, the Winterhawks won the quarterfinals despite scoring just eight times in the five games.

They'll likely need a bit more production against the Windsor Jr. Spitfires in the semis, which begin this weekend in Windsor.

Meanwhile, Milton's AE2 peewees — the only other team still alive in the OMHA playdowns, having capped a best-of-five sweep of St. Thomas last Friday — begin their own semifinal showdown in Newmarket tonight.

Game two is set for tomorrow at Memorial Arena, starting at 6:30 p.m.

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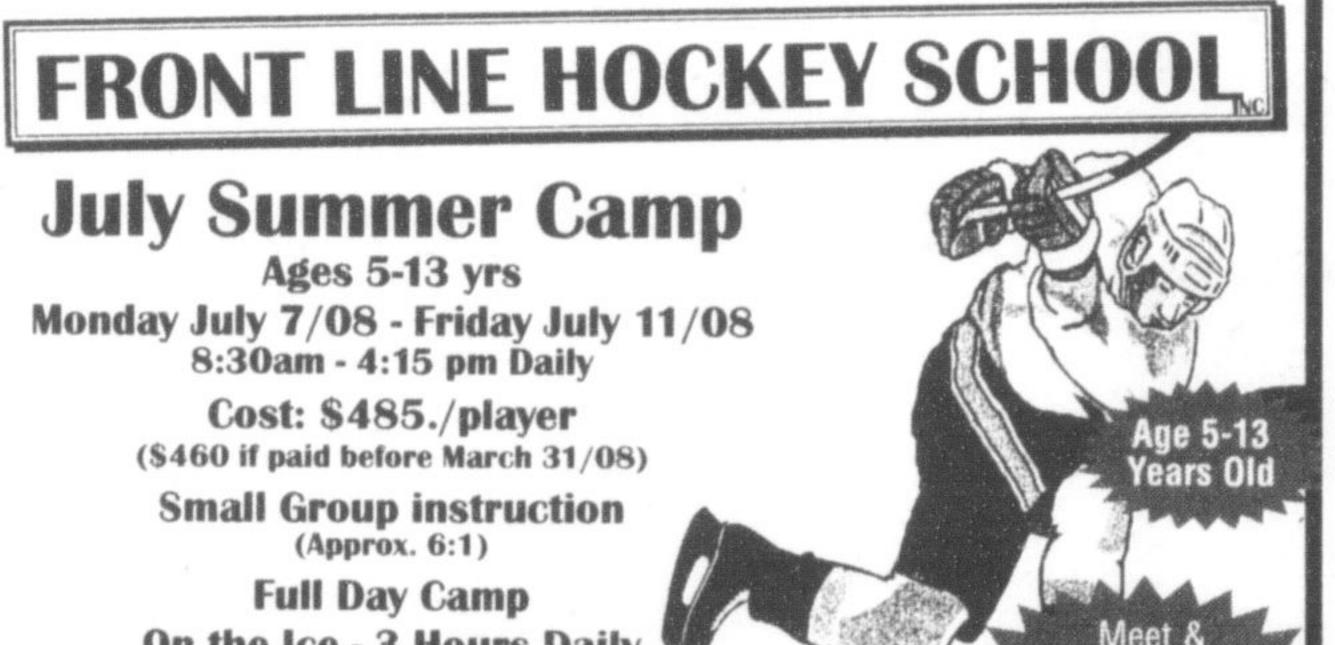
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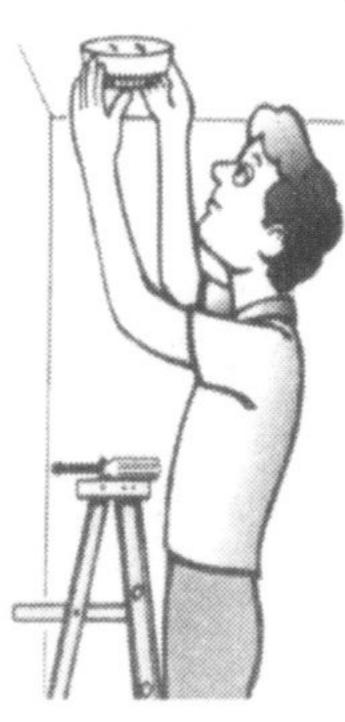
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