

Shortstaffed midget Mavericks claim Zone 8 'C' championship

Payback is never as sweet as when delivered in championship play.

Milton's midget lacrosse team can certainly attest to that.

Refusing to fold up their tents after heading into Tuesday's Zone 8 'C' final with just 11 players and falling behind early, the Mavericks engineered an inspired comeback to avenge their only round-robin loss — eclipsing the host Arthur Aces 8-7.

Providing the heroics was Vikram Kalia, who put the visitors ahead with just 48 seconds remaining — on a bad angle deposit as possession time expired — to cap a two-goal game.

From there Cory Early completed a rock-solid effort between the pipes, turning back a pair of

last-ditch attempts to force overtime by the previously unbeaten Aces.

"We adjusted our defence and offensively added more movement away from the ball, and that made the difference," said head coach Rob Davis. "Give the guys credit, they could have packed it in after Arthur went up and figured we didn't have enough guys to get the job done, but they fought back."

Also tallying twice were Scott Dermott and Jake Davis — who potted the equalizer with six minutes left — while Bryden Curran and Brendan Farrell chipped in singles.

The midgets hope to ride the momentum of their league title win into this weekend's Ontario 'C' championships in Hamilton.



Tykes fall just short of provincial gold

Milton's tyke lacrosse team got close enough to provincial gold to taste it Tuesday evening in Whitby.

But in the end the Mavericks had to choke down a bitter pill of championship defeat, losing 9-7 to Peterborough's second-entry team in the final of the Ontario 'C' championships.

Milton held its own through a seesaw battle and pulled to within two goals in the dying minutes of play, but could draw no closer.

The tykes cruised to the championship with a

perfect round-robin campaign and quarterfinal and semifinal wins over Sarnia (6-2) and Whitby 2 (10-1) respectively.

Leading offensively were Joey Szabo and Michael Scarfone, while Griffin Ellis-Callow stood tall between the pipes — enjoying big defence from Brandon Coulter and Riley Berin.

Their silver-medal showing mirrors a second-place finish in Zone 8 'C' playoff action, during which they were edged 8-6 by Cambridge in the title showdown.

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