

# Fighting Griffins engineer hefty haul at Steel City Open

With nine individual gold-medal efforts, Fighting Griffin Martial Arts secured a third-place team finish at the recent International Steel City Open in Hamilton.

Among those turning back all challengers was Sensei Tammy Hogarth, who won her 35-and-up black belt kata (forms) division.

The club's three other adult competitors — Aubrey Bird, Derek Cripps and Cory Rioux — all tasted gold as well. Both in the 35-and-up ranks, Bird (green belt) and Cripps (orange belt) reigned supreme in weapons and kata respectively. A blue belt, Rioux was first in kata among the 18 to 34-year-olds.

Five kids division representatives took home a first, including 12-year-old Franco Del Rosso (blue belt sparring), 11-year-old Cristian Galarza (blue belt/black stripe kata), 10-year-old Kellan Royds (green belt sparring), nine-year-old

Zach Plater (yellow belt kata) and five-year-old Andra Neptune (yellow belt sparring).

## Young wrestlers show strongly

Led by a golden performance from Reed Nicholson, E.C. Drury's ninth and 10th graders had a successful showing at Wednesday's Meadowvale Tournament.

Nicholson won all four matches — three by pin-fall, including an OFSAA qualifier — to take top honours.

Tyler Brea and Danny Stomphorst equaled that win count and each secured bronze, while Luke Campbell also had four victories — with two wins — to finish fourth.

Aman Devgun, Malik Fayed and Bill Doddington won two matches each, with single victories recorded by Scott Barter, Zac Butler, Trevor Van Amstel, Korey McDougal, Arie Moldvan and Anthony Zammit.

Drury hosts its pre-holiday invitational tournament Wednesday.

## SportsShorts

### MGBA affiliates with Halton Hills

Local girls hoping to play competitive fast-pitch next summer will have to head up the road to do so.

The Milton Girls Baseball Association (MGBA) recently announced it will be affiliating with the Halton Hills Hawks — based out of Georgetown — for its rep players. This includes those

from eight years of age right up until 19.

"We're pleased to offer girls from Milton who wish to play competitive rep fast-pitch an opportunity to play within an organization as that of the Halton Hills Hawks," said MGBA president Stephen Duivesteyn.

MGBA will continue to provide a local house-league program.

### Under-11 boys dump Mount Hamilton

In a strong tune-up to next summer's jump to the South

Region Soccer League, Milton's Under-11 boys are enjoying an impressive start to their 13-game indoor season.

They maintained their unbeaten record (two wins and two ties) with Saturday's 6-1 trouncing of Mount Hamilton in Ancaster.

Michael Hunter was a one-man wrecking crew with four goals, while also scoring were Andrew Boyle and Mitchell Wizniuk.

Nicolas Spencer and Tyler Gaeten were rock-solid in splitting the netminding duties.

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