#### Soccer's recreational aspect should be remembered

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ITH THE END of the soccer season approaching, it is an opportune time to take a look at the state of the game in the

Soccer has become increasingly recognized as a good conditioning sport. It requires almost continuous steady with short bursts of all-out speed. Ideal cardio-vascular exercise.

While a considerable degree of skill is required to play soccer at the higher levels, the game can also be enjoyed by players of very limited skills as long as they are playing opponents of equal ability. Hereby lies one of the biggest problems in the game today.

Certainly, house league play in Milton has moderated a lot in the last couple of years. However, there is still too much emphasis on winning by many coaches and parents. The house league, or recreational level of soccer should provide an opportunity to enjoy the game. The emphasis by coaches on winning results in the weaker players having less playing

Sure it is nice to win, but remember that for every winner there has to also be a loser. Coaches and parents should be encouraging the players to give their best, win or lose.

Instead, we see a win treated with great joy, even though it may have been achieved against the run of play, and a loss treated as a major disaster. How much better it would be if all the players could feel that they had achieved something by playing their best.

Out society suffers from a large amount of mental illness. Much of it is brought on by people suffering from a sense of failure with which they cannot

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cope. They feel they are failures because they have not achieved the goals which they, or their parents, set for them. Goals that often were unreasonably high. Our society loves a winner and despises a loser. However, the loser has often put out more effort and achieved a higher percentage of his potential than the winner. Let's not make future mental patients of our kids by pressing them to unreasonable goals.

Put things in perspective. How important is it to win a lousy soccer game. When Alan Abel of The Globe and Mail was asking Tony Churskey, the Blizzard goalie, about the team's miserable season, Tony compared the misery of losing 25 of 32 games to the misery of children dying of starvation in Africa. Surely the important thing is that players should be taught to do their best and enjoy themselves.

The Peel-Halton Soccer Association has run a house league tournament for the last few years with the object of giving the run-of-the-mill recreational player the excitement of playing against teams from other clubs.

The 1981 competition has been plagued with so much petty bitching by overcompetitive coaches and parents this may well be the last year this tourna-

ment will operate. That would be a shame since the great majority of teams, including all the Milton teams, have competed in the true sense of the tournament and enjoyed themselves.

It is time the Recreational game was made recreational, at least at the younger age levels. A true recreational set-up would have no fixed teams and no league standings. This would result in each game being played for the sake of the game rather than the honor of the team and the maintenance of a league position.

All players would get to play and there would be no problem with one team playing with three or four extra players. The problems associated with selecting balanced teams, and the later equalization of those teams, would be elimin-

Competitive teams would continue to operate for the more skilled and more

ambitious players. Next season the Milton Youth Soccer Club should make a start in this direction with the squirt recreational level. They would play mini-soccer on smaller fields with smaller goals and fewer players on team. This would allow each player more opportunity to kick the ball. What squirt player wants to spend half the game watching?

By adopting this form of play, MYSC would give more players more chance to play the game, more opportunity to improve their game and more chance to enjoy themselves. However, no coach would be able to brag about his unbeaten team and no parent would be able to brag about the great team Little Johnny is on.

The executive of MYSC is elected by the parents and coaches. Is it too much to expect them to act in the interests of the

## House-league soccer round-up

SQUIRT This week's games Welding vs Kinsmen Club. Wednesday-Coach House

Travel vs Creative Memorials

vs Ali-Baba Steak House.

Thursday-Core-Fix Radiator

Milton Machine Shop 0 fort against strong offensiv

Milton Machine Shop, playin vo men short, put up a good e play by Optimist Club who were led by Blair Shenton and Trevor Goal scorers for Optimist were

Optimist Club 5 In goal for Optimist Club was Jeffrey Morrison. Strong game for Machine shop played by Brian Martin in goal

and also John Ashley and Danny Core-Fix 5 T&R Bakery 0 In their first game of the squirt soccer playoffs, Core-Fix

Radiator defeated T&R Bakery 5-0 Wednesday. special note were the efforts of Kristian Curran, Jeremy Boyle and the T&R goalie Kevin Cur-

Core-Fix played an exceptionally aggressive game, both offensively and defensively T&R attackers. Ryan Corbett, the Core-Fix goalie, exhibited his finest effort of the season to earn the shut-out. Offensively, Billy Melee and Stephen Hodgson each scored a

Fay's Electric 3 Elsley Pharmacy 0 which moved Fay's Electric int lent defensive play from both

Elsley Fullbacks Trent Osle and Marcus Woodley Pullen, Mark Ovenden and Steve McMaster were equally suc cessful in repelling the Elsley forwards led by Haris Galat

wards by Fays' halfbacks Dale unanswered goals for Fays. Goal scorers for Fays Electric were Robbie MacFarlane, Dylan Reynolds and Stephen Schaffer. Other Fay's forwards recording

**Clements Motors 12** A. E. LePage 1 Goal scorers for Clement vere Richard Harrison with even goals, Chris Morris and

Chris Bochnischz with two eac and Florijan Papa as Clement put in a very strong second half Scoring for A. E. LePage was Tony Catalano with good defe sive plays by David Gillies and Robert Turner. The club put in

> BANTAM Bonin's Esso 10

Georgetown 0 The highlight of the game was a devastating attack by Bonin's Esso which saw two players pick Faulkner and Remo Bonin while Dave Berry collected the other two. The defence also had an excellent game and left the goalkeeper Robert Nadalin little shutout of the season.

### Sweepers well in front by turning back Stokes

Mr. Chimney Sweep all but clinched first place by turning back a challenge from second-place Stokes Milk Transport 21-13 to go two games with just two matches remaining in the regular season of Milton Oldtimer Slo-Pitch League

In the other game of the week, Milton Music avenged last week's disaster to Howden & Sons by beating their nemesis 26-19 to move into third place by one game.

Mr. Sweep was led by hitters Doug Catherwood with a home run and two singles and Mario Rucci with four hits. Other good hitting performances were turned in by Lou Langlois, Doug Swailes, Randy Carlton and Doug Simpkins. Steve Marek and Graeme Colvin

smashed homers for Stokes Milk. Other good hitting was supplied by in atom house league, goes up for the ball Ray Carey, Joe Johnson and Bernie

Two weeks ago, Howden & Sons playoffs now in preparation for finals day blitzed Milton Music for 49 runs in a Hov

one-sided win. However Milton Music banded together with a chorus of good defensive plays in a sharp reversal of

Larry Anderson Richardson came up with some sparkling defensive plays for Milton Music. Barry Batanoff was a terror at the plate crashing out five hits in five trips including a homer.

Dave "The Sign Man" Downard added five hits while Wally Mayes and Richardson added four hits apiece. Dennis Neilson and Dave Aucoin had three hits each.

Howden was led by the home-run power of Neil Wood, Bob Morrison and Colin Price while also receiving good performances from Don Wood, Ron Lasalle and Ken Dresser.

Standings

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	W	L	T	
Sweep	10	5	1	2
kes Milk	8	7	1	1
. Music	6	9	1	1
vden & Sons	5	10	1	1

heat pump

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## Belves end on a winning note

on a strong note in their last two league games. Although they lost the

throughout the game. first game to the league leaders. Dixie, the Milteam to a 1-0 loss.

game was fairly even play from Paul Brodeur, and Sean McCullum givtwenty

Hirls' soccer

one-on-one situation. The second half saw Milton continue to play at a high performance level but were unable to Ian

SQUIRT

**Buns Master Bakery 2** 

Georgetown Cougars 0

with Buns Master keeping their

unbeaten record intact with 32

This was a very evenly con-

tested game and it was not til

late in the game that Lisa Sneyd

was able to crack a stubborn

defence to score the first goal

followed five minutes later by a

goal from Melissa Carway who

played a very strong two-way game. Jodi Marek was superb for the winners with geat ball

Congratulations Champs The first playoff game

Wednesday at W. I. Dick, kick-

Newell Real Estate 1

Pineview 0

regular season. The girls played

good full field soccer, giving both the offence and defence an op-

portunity to sharpen their skills

Goal scorers for Newell Real

In goal for Newell Real-Estates were Erin Dall and Jen-

abuto, was instrumental in

preventing the Milton team from

Milton Lions Club 3

with only one girl missing from a

Estate was Jennifer Brown.

prior to the playoffs.

It was a good challenging game for both teams to end the

control and head-up play.

off at 6 p.m.

points from 16 games

This was the final league game

Wakely came up with an outstanding save which only complimented the performance

Milton against George the raindrenched fields at Brian Best park. Both squads had won one game to

the game with strong defensive playing and exceptional and passing plays from the forward

Kevin Moffatt, one of these rushers, carried the ball down the whole side of the field and utes later slipped a goal past Sean Wakely on a Robby Mifsud was on the spot to tap the rebound into the net. Forwards

Troake, Shawn

Carrie Warwick led her team

to a good strong win and kept the

pressure on Acton the whole

game. Carrie has now moved to

Kingston to live. A soccer coach

down there will be very pleased

Pamela Gomes found the net

twice and Amanda Benjamin

once with Arlene Brown, Carrie

Healey & Mark Harrison was able to pass the ball things prevented the

The second half still their efforts paid off shots at the Georgetown one in to end the game 3 when Daniel Belvedere goalie but only two 0 for Milton.

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continued to steal past forward to Harrison who Belvederes from scorthe Georgetown defence tore down the field and ing, a huge mud puddle but with no successful made no mistake on his in front of the net and the Forwards Sean Foggin end of the game, Mifsuc saw Milton continue to and Mike McBride also outsmarted the puddl dominate and finally contributed to Milton's and the goalie and shot

goal post. Nearing the



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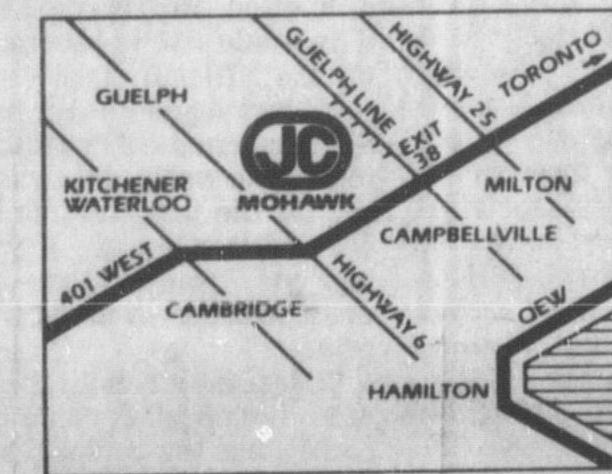
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