Major Novice A

Milton Minute Muffler was terribly outclassed in a tournament in Gravenhurst two weeks ago, but they fought back to prove they could still play hockey by beating Erin 5-3 and losing a heartbreaker to Flamborough

Prior to the tournament Milton travelled to Hillsburgh for a rematch of an exciting game played earlier that week. The game was a repeat of the fast-paced, close-checking style of play that characterized the first game.

Hillsburgh scored first in the last minute of the first period, catching Milton goalie B.J. Forysthe off balance. Milton charged back, hemming the opposition into their own zone, but were unable to put the puck in the net. Milton finally broke through with a goal midway through the second period from Joey Lake, with assists going to Jason Ford and Colin Carroll.

With the score 1-1 the teams moved the puck end to end with crisp passes and strong skating, but were unable to score.

came out of the blocks with the strong, aggressive style that Flamborough favors, catching the visitors off guard. Flamborough became frustrated with Milton's superior defence, which stymied a number of good scoring chances.

Tyrone Seeds played an excellent game in the Milton net-but eventually Flamborough punched a pair past

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him. Brian Kerwin and Ryan Brown were particularly effective backcheckers for Milton, and their hard work resulted in a steal and a goal by Greg Moore.

With only a minute remaining Milton pulled its goalie, but Flamborough relieved the pressure with an easy breakaway goal into the empty net to notch the 3-1 win.

The next night Milton took a 5-3 win from Erin despite a slow start. Erin's end and managed to pop a marker by Matt Brown, with assists going to Brent VanLoosen and Chris Tschirhart. In the second period effective passing finally paid off when Ford scored for Milton. Ten seconds later Lake added another, assisted by Carroll and Ford

Erin finally got on the board when they snapped a surprise shot past Forysthe in the Milton net. Seeds took In the Flamborough game Milton, over in net for the third period. Milton had played a strong game throughout, but began to show signs of tiring. A goal by Kris Kovacs from Year. the blue line gave Milton room to relax. Erin rallied at the end with a pair of goals, but it was too little too late and Milton prevailed.

Major Pee Wee A

The Milton Athletics collected a win

and a tie in recent play. On January 9 they copped a 3-3 tie against Orangeville, with goals going to Corey Tiede, Derek Hunter and Kevin Nascimsen. Mike Bell was between the pipes for Milton.

Four nights later Milton clipped Preston 4-3 in an exhibition contest. Shane Ferner netted a pair and John Moffatt and Rob Miller collected singles. Milton netminders split duty, with Bell playing in the first part of the contest and Chris Glover finishing.

Minor Atom A

Milton Freightfast came up short in wide-open match in Brampton on Sunday, losing 3-1. Down 2-0 after They began to build the pressure in two periods, Milton came back in the third to make it 2-1 on a Robbie Herbert goal. Assists went to Brad Woods and Andrew Riddle.

Freightfast put on the pressure but could not get another against the sharp Brampton goaltender. An empty net goal for Brampton in the closing seconds nailed down the win for the home side.

Major Atom A

The Christmas layoff was not beneficial to the team as they faced three consecutive losses early in the New

Milton travelled to Hillsburgh and found themselves behind after only 52 seconds. The home side never looked back for the balance of the 7-2 game. Milton did manage to narrow the lead to 3-2, but could do no better. · see REP HOCKEY on page 13

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