



A feeder school tournament was held recently at Bishop Reding High School with Our Lady of Victory topping Holy Rosary 60-13 in the championship game. Russ Arsenault (40) was looking for a rebound while Mike Gleeson (right) who scored 20 points, offered some help. Rich Aggio (background, left) scored 12 points in the game and Steve Lidstone (background, right) popped eight.

Photo by JOHN WARREN

Our Lady of Victory crushes Holy Rosary

On Friday, January 19, Bishop Reding High School hosted a feeder school tournament for boys from Grades 5 through 8 won by Our Lady of Victory.

The boys played four games each with Our Lady of Victory and Holy Rosary finishing in top positions. Despite a strong effort by Holy Rosary, Our Lady of Victory remained undefeated in the tournament.

Mike Gleeson was the high scorer in the championship game with 20 points.

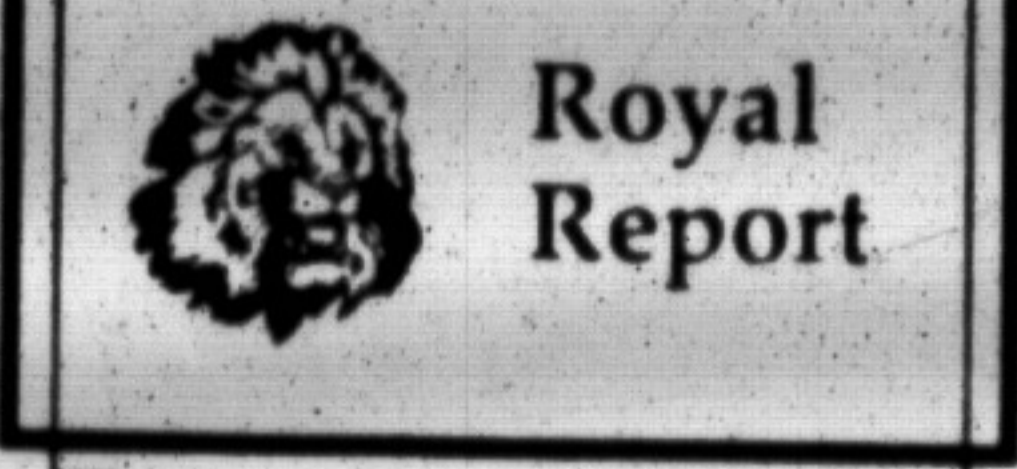
Basketball

The midget boys basketball team maintained its perfect record at 6-0 with a win at Oakville's Q.E. Park 46-44. Jesse Ogden popped 14 points and Matt Parrot collected 15.

Two days later on Thursday, January 18 the midgets beat Loyola (Oakville) 55-47. Todd Fuller copped five assists in the game, driving his two game total to 11. Ogden led the team in scoring with 26.

The seniors played the two best teams in the Halton East League and came away with a pair of losses. At Q.E. Park the Royals got off to a sluggish start and never recovered in a 59-38 loss. Steve Kokelj was the Royals top scorer with 18 points. Alex Piazza had 10 rebounds.

At Loyola the highly ranked home squad crushed Reding 80-40 despite a strong first half by the Royals. Steve Kokelj again led the way with 26 points. Loyola is ranked in the top ten teams in the entire Greater Toron-



to Area. On February 7 the Reding seniors play the Toronto Argonauts in a charity basketball game. The exam period will give the squad time to prepare.

Wrestling

At the White Oaks Invitational Wrestling Tournament, Bishop Reding had a number of quality results. Kirk Rowbottom collected second place honours, as did Kevin Spears and Tat Zanatta. Ted Van Kestran came home with a fifth place. Mike Catalano and Jason Chuchmach both won a single match but went down twice.

Volleyball

The senior girls volleyball team faced Blakelock on January 11 and claimed a 2-1 win of the match 12-15, 15-10 and 15-8. The following Tuesday, January 16, Reding again collected a win by a 2-1 margin 15-13, 11-15 and 15-10 over Q.E. Park.

Two days later the squad picked up another win this time over Loyola by the same 2-1 margin. Loyola took the first game 16-14 but Reding stormed back to claim the match 15-6 and 15-11.

Junior Crusaders beat Assumption 55-43 for playoff chance

By Matt Guiney
Special to the Champion

Of the E.C. Drury High School boys basketball teams, only the juniors are hopeful of making it to a playoff position and maybe high school supremacy. The seniors and midgets have suffered disappointing seasons.

After Wednesday's 55-43 drubbing of Burlington's Assumption Crusaders, the junior Spartans have clinched a playoff spot and find themselves with a 5-3 record, good enough for fourth place.

It was only because of a good team effort that Milton was able to hang on. It was 10-10 after a quarter but then the Spartans put together a 17-0 run and never looked back. The Crusaders cut the lead to as close as two, but Drury pulled away in the fourth period to hold on.

"We had the talent to beat them by more than 12 points," said head

coach Craig Pritchard. "We have trouble playing consistently but we have been in every game this year."

"It's interesting that most of these players were on the midget team last year and they're in the exact same spot they were last year. We lost to the same teams then as well."

Drury has consistently lost to the team with a better record - Nelson, Lester B. Pearson and Milton District. All three defeats have been road games. The Spartan wins came from two defeats of Lord Elgin and victories over M.M. Robinson, Burlington Central and Assumption.

The Spartans' Garth Moore nailed 23 points on Wednesday and has been averaging 20 points a game to lead Drury scoring. Other players that have stood out are Dan Melar with his outside shooting, Kevin O'Donnell, who has become "the doctor of rejection", and Jamie Janjevich and Marc Lawrence, who have come

along well after slow starts.

"This team (including last year's midget) hasn't lost at home in two years," said Pritchard. "Our home court is very important to us. If we remain where we are now (fourth), we will play at home in our first playoff game."

Seniors are winless

For the seniors it has been a disappointing season, with their 0-8 record. The season looked promising at the start after two pre-season wins and a consolation final appearance at a tournament at Milton District. But after that it has all gone downhill.

Winning comes with experience, said assistant coach John Kostynyk. "We have a young team that has come a long way, but in all our games we let the other team get a lead on us and we don't have what it takes to come back."

Top players this year have been Eric Peternell, who scored 20 points in their 68-55 loss to Assumption, Justin Moore and Joe Morris.

"The main problem this year," continued Kostynyk, "has been the lack of consistent intensity. We come out in the start of a period, but by the end we are tired and give up easy baskets."

"It will just take some team discipline and no individual efforts. We just need a year more to be a strong contending basketball team."

Midgets 1-7

It is the same story for the Spartan midget squad as the playoffs might have slipped away with their loss to Assumption, 54-37.

"We are improving in every

game," said head coach Kevin Houdeyrot. "They're just learning what basketball is the hard way. If we could box out teams for offensive and defensive rebounds, we could have won a few more games."

The Spartans' only win came on a 37-27 victory over Milton last Wednesday when team leaders Jeff Lee and Jody Brown combined for 18 points. Other players that have developed well, although they are only second string, are Todd Jacques and Jason Gaddas.

"It's another 'next year' for midget and senior basketball but with three games remaining, there is chance to give the players more confidence and more experience."

For the juniors the playoffs start in two weeks. The Spartans have what

Sportscoreboard

MINOR HOCKEY

Pre Novice

**Knights Dry Cleaners 7
Little Firemen 2**

Goal scorers for Knights Dry Cleaners were Matthew Ventura with four goals, and Andrew Marshall, Lee Furness and Mike Berube with one each.

Goal scorers for Little Firemen were David Kormack and Garrett Lauzon.

**Straight Line Fence 2
Milton Skate Exchange 1**

Goal scorer for Straight Line Fence was Caleb Moffat with both goals, assisted each time by Lee Dansmore.

Scoring for Milton Skate Exchange was Colin Sparks. Austen unassisted.

Minor Atom

**Lions Club 3
Chicken Villa 2**

Goal scorers for Lions Club were Steven Corfield, Craig Hackenbrock and Adam Barringer. In goal for the Lions was Kyle Garon.

Scoring for Chicken Villa were Steve Gervais and Joey McDonald.

**The Pro Shop 6
Corbetts Sports 1**

Scoring for The Pro Shop were D.J. McGee with three, and Trevor Gillies, Miroslav Koprnicky and Daniel Salvador with one each.

Paul Spagnuolo scored the lone Corbett's goal.

Major Atom

**Midas Muller 5
McCuag Insurance 3**

Scoring for Midas Muller were Jamie Comba with two, and Willie Noon, Ryan Burne and Mike Mercalfe with one each. In goal for Midas Muller was Jimmy Stelter.

Scoring for McCuag were Jason Brumidge with two and Tony Piazza with one.

**Docs & Dents 3
Michael's Optical 1**

Goal scorers for Docs & Dents were Ryan Pender with two, Brad Houle assisting, and Brian Nykonik who scored an unassisted single.

Peewee

**Shopsys 8
Shoppers Drug Mart 2**

Scoring for Shopsys were Tyler Sparks Austen with five, Brian Layben with two and Clint Stanfield with one. In goal for Shopsys was Greg Cameron.

Scoring for Shoppers Drug Mart were Adam Burnett and Dave Mason.

**Halton Pool 6
Bell Bros 5**

Goal scorers for Halton Pool were David Stevenson with four, and Jared Rousselle and Sean Skomowski with one each. In goal for Halton Pool was Maurizio Rinaldi.

Scoring for Bell Bros were Russ Fleming with two, and Greg Tonelli, Scott McGlaughlin and Glenn Ouellette with one.

**Remax Realty 6
Michael's Optical 5**

Scoring for Remax were Tony Savio,

Adam Brown, Darrel Adams, Tim Beasley, Ian Ellsworth and Derek Carak. In goal for Remax was Rob Hallentine.

Goal scorers for Michael's Optical were Shayne Rudley, Keith Mallette, David Pyke, Matt Davenport and Mike Jensen.

Senior

**Mr. Submarine 8
Pigment & Chemical 7**

Scoring for Mr. Sub were Mario Dalbello with three, Steve Predty with two, and Mark Wessman, Mike Lee and Fred Elkins with one each. Assists to Predty with three, Dalbello with two, and Wessman and Mike Galloway with one each. In goal for Mr. Submarine was Sandy Gillis.

Goals scored for Pigment & Chemical were Ewan Kelly with two, and Bernie Gillis, Steve Kaldenbach, Scott Charlton, Roy Jones, and Dave Fowler with one apiece. Assists to Dave Gillis with two, and Matt Prevost and Bernie Gillis with one each.

**Harris Stationery 12
Knights Men's Wear 5**

Goal scorers for Harris were Rob Bicchieri with five, Abdullah Hassan with four, Todd Horn with two, and Albert Vander Vliet with one. Assists to Ron Tijkstra and Bicchieri with three each, Dean Robbins and Vander Vliet with two each, and Ryan Weaver and Hassan with one each.

Goal scorers for Knights were Kirk Reppent and Rob Mason with two each, and Ken Ormond with one. Assists to Scott Hart with two, and Mason, Pierrepont and James Gagliardi with one each.



Photo by JON BLACKER

Marianne Longo (right) and Jesse Ogden (left) are presented with their athlete of the week awards by Halton high school athletic convener Peter Moore.

Longo and Ogden selected Halton athletes of week

Bishop Reding Roman Catholic Secondary School athletes of the week, chosen in conjunction with the Halton Athletic Association, are Marianne Longo and Jesse Ogden.

Longo is a former Reding athlete of the year who has had a busy high school athletic career. This fall she was a member of the girls basketball team and is presently the starting setter for the senior girls volleyball team. The team currently sports a 6-2 record, good enough for third place in the East division.

A determined individual both on and off the court, her leadership abilities were central to her selection.

Ogden is a grade nine athlete who played on the junior volleyball team and is leading the midget basketball team with an average of 12 points per game. In recent wins over Q.E. Park and Loyola he scored 16 and 26 points respectively.