

# Scores tighten up as playoffs loom in indoor soccer

By MARK ALLSOP

## Special to the Champion

It was Acton Villa against Oakville in a battle of the two top teams in the Milton Indoor Soccer League last weekend.

A win or tie would clinch first place for Oakville. They managed the tie.

It turned out, not surprisingly, to be the best game of the day. Both teams put on exhibitions of passing and playmaking, with a slight edge in the play going to Acton Villa.

Oakville keeper Martin Warner was terrific, shutting down Acton scoring attempts. Acton Villa couldn't beat him for a goal and the contest ended in a scoreless draw.

Fearmans played the Optimist Centre but were a man short early in the contest. It cost them, when Tommy Kane side-footed a ball into the Fearmans net. Teammate Joe Lynn

added a second marker.

They were down 2-0 when the final member of the Fearmans lineup arrived to spark the offence. Fearmans showed no fear, going on the full attack and scoring eight straight goals to claim victory, 8-2.

Des Leonard and Dai Paul zipped the first two in for Fearmans and Sandy MacLachlin popped a pair for the 4-2 lead. Leonard potted four goals in the second half to keep the Optimists winless this season.

The Dickens faced off against Webs United. John McDermott of Webs took on two men and sent them both the wrong way before driving the ball at the net. It rocked off both posts and back in front before it was pushed in. The Dickens' tying goal came from Chris Brown just prior to the end of the first half.

Following up the goal from The Dickens,

Rick Soder faked the Webs goalkeeper and gave his team a 2-1 lead. A final goal by Webs ensured a 2-2 tie.

Halton Outdoors Shop took on Milton Youth Soccer Coaches in a game which ended in a 2-2 tie. Ian Jarvis of the Coaches set the first marker of the game with a powerful shot past the goalkeeper. Rob Holiday replied for Halton Outdoors Shop with a toe poke from the edge of the crease between the keeper's legs.

Outdoors scored once again with a goal from Keith Ford, who blasted the ball into the back of the net. Graham Smith of the Coaches scored on a free kick pass to end the scoring at 2-2.

Enigmatic Milton Honda took on Hi-Five and came out on the wrong end of a 3-2 score. After dumping second place Acton Villa 5-3 last week Milton Honda were listless in their game this week against fourth place Hi-Five.

Hi-Five's first marker came from a chip over goalie Frank Czikk. Honda replied with a goal from Paul Vidovich but Andy Garside put his team back on top. Vidovich tied it again but Danilo Kozulic capped the scoring with the winner for Hi-Five.

## Milton Indoor Soccer Standings

16 games	W	L	T	Pt	+/-
Oakville	14	1	1	29	+49
Acton Villa	11	3	2	24	+26
Halton Outdoors	7	5	4	18	+9
Hi-Five Design	9	7	0	18	+7
Dickens	7	6	3	17	-1
Webs United	7	7	2	16	-15
Youth Coaches	5	8	3	13	-7
Fearmans	5	9	2	12	-10
Milton Honda	5	10	1	11	-0
Optimist Centre	0	14	2	2	-59

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The Karmax House League Tournament will wind up on Sunday with the championship games in the peewee, bantam and senior divisions. In a Wednesday night game Harris Stationery (dark) had trouble icing a full team against Knight's Men's Wear. The tournament runs over the March break every year, and with players heading to points south some teams are inevitably short-staffed.

## Racing starts Sunday

# Spring returns to Mohawk Raceway

A sure sign of spring is the return of harness racing to Mohawk Raceway. Although spring doesn't officially arrive until March 21, the trotters and pacers will kick off the Mohawk spring meeting a little early on Sunday, Mar. 18. The home opener mile, Mohawk's first race for

the new decade will swing in behind the starting gate at 7:30 p.m.

Racing will be conducted at the Campbellville oval Fridays through Tuesdays. Post time each night is 7:30 p.m. Greenwood intertrack racing will follow Mohawk's live racing schedule.

To welcome racing fans back on opening night, grandstand admission will be \$1 and programs will be only \$1.

Mohawk's spring racing calendar features some excellent stakes competition.

The first leg of the Youthful Pacing Series for three year olds gets underway on opening night. The \$35,000 (estimated) final is scheduled for Sunday, April 8.

Ralph's Capar pulled a 1:55.2 win out of his bag of tricks in the \$35,200 Youthful Series Final for Garth Gordon in 1989.

The fairer sex will strut their stuff in the Princess Pacing Series for three year olds. The \$90,000 Final will go postward on Saturday, April 14. Last year's Princess Final saw On The Day prove she was on track in scoring a 1:57.2 victory for driver Tony Kerwood.

Harness racing's fastest horse, Matts Scooter, won't be around for

# Karmax tournament runs along smoothly

The fourth annual Karmax House League Tournament is in full swing at Tonelli Sports Centre with championship games scheduled for this weekend.

Pre-novice, novice, peewee, atom, bantam and senior divisions are all represented.

Michael's Optical won their first two games to collect a second place in the peewee division, where they will face Shopsy's, who had a pair of wins and a tie, in the final. In their previous game Shopsy's beat Michael's Optical 6-4.

In the bantam division Parton will take on Diet Centre in the championship game. Their previous encounter ended with a 4-3 victory for Stella Parton, who won all three of their round robin games to advance. Diet Centre managed a win and a tie, which puts them in the final.

The Little Firemen will be underdogs to Straightline Fence in the pre-novice final. Straightline crushed the Firemen 7-2 in round robin play on their way to a 2-0-1 record in the round robin. The Little Firemen tied with Knight's Dry Cleaners after round robin play but advanced to the final on the strength of their victory over the Cleaners, 4-3.

The other five divisions were only about half way through their round-robin play going into tonight's (Friday) action. Bruce Hood Travel looks like a shoe-in for the minor novice championship final after posting wins in both of their games. They managed a 9-2 win over Bolt Security and 7-2 over Rebekah Lodge.

In the major atom division Midas Muffler collected a pair of 3-2 victories over Michael's Optical and McCuaig Insurance to give them a probable berth in the final. In minor atom, Lions Club has also posted two wins thus far, 3-1 over Corbett's Sports and 4-1 over the Pro Shop.

Players of the tournament have been selected in three divisions which have already finished play. Each team has a player of the tournament, which is the player who was deemed most consistent in the round robin segment.

In pre-novice Shawn McConnell won for Milton Skate Exchange, Mark Naylor for Knight's Cleaners, Chris Holmes for Straight Line and Michael Accettura for Little Firemen.

In the peewee division David Stevenson won "Player of the Tournament" for Halton Pool, Ray Dennis won for Shopsy's, Russ Fleming won for Bell Brothers, Matt Davenport won for Michael's Optical, Rob Hans won for Shoppers' Drug Mart and Rob Ballantine won for Re/max.

In the bantam division, the St. Clair winner was Dave Sharpe, Jimmy Lane won for Stella Parton, Mike Ricci for Halton Community Credit Union and Mike Brown for Milton Diet Centre.

## McPherson first in Pan-Am diving qualifying meet

Bobbi Ann McPherson took first place in the tower and three metre board competitions at the Pan Am Invitational Qualifying Age Group Diving Meet in Winnipeg, March 1-4.

McPherson, a former Milton resident, now lives in Thunder Bay and trains with the Thunder Bay Diving Club. She competed at the Pan Am Pool in Winnipeg in the girls A division and besides her golds in tower and three metre board she also picked up a fifth-place finish on the one metre board.



**Hoof Beat**  
with KATHY WADE

this year's \$75,000 edition of The Graduate Pacing Series on May 4 but you can bet there'll be a fine cast of North America's blue chip four and five year olds there on track night.

In 1989 Topnotcher paced a picture perfect track record 1:53.3 mile for driver Doug Brown in the \$115,100 Mohawk Pacing Series Final.

This year's Mohawk Pacing Series Final goes postward on Sunday, May 20 for \$100,000 (estimated).

Following the last race that evening the sky will light up as Mohawk presents its annual Family Fireworks Extravaganza.

A special 7:01 p.m. post time will ensure the fireworks show starts by 10 p.m.

Magic shows, puppet shows, a petting zoo, music and more will keep the children happy and busy all night long.

## Sports SHORTS

### Baseball's back!

It won't be long until the boys of summer are back with us and the Milton Royals men's team is getting a jump on the baseball season by organizing a fundraising slo-pitch tournament for April 21-22.

The tournament will be played primarily at Drumquin Park in Milton. The team entry fee is \$175. The classification is DD and the Coors beer sponsored event is a qualifier for the provincial championship series.

For more information, contact Doug Timbers at 878-1542 or Rick McTrach at 878-0360 after 4 p.m.

### Junior Jiu-Jitsu

Last Sunday the Milton School of Jiu-Jitsu hosted a junior Jiu-Jitsu

tournament attracting 53 competitors less than age 16 from Oakville, Hamilton and Milton.

Taking firsts in Randori (self defence) were Michael Armstrong (heavyweight) and Thomas Hetherington (lightweight).

There were 14 divisions in Spar-ring based on size and belt level.

Those taking firsts in their division from Milton were: Easton Ford (orange belt); Jason Ford (yellow belt); Oliver Johnston (yellow belt); Danny diBenedetto (yellow belt);

Erik Backer (yellow belt); Kaegen Sherriff (yellow belt); Boyd Laanstra (blue belt); Brennen Sainsbury (orange belt) and Darren Gallipeau (green belt).