

# Baldwin's cross-country team completes best season

Cross-country runners from Robert Baldwin School have completed their best season of running ever. They competed in four meets, including the North Halton and All-Halton championships.

At their first meet in Cedarvale Park Shawna Turner won the tyke girls division. She was followed across the line by Heather McDonald, Melissa Parcels, Ashley Wocker, Tara Jukes and Chrissie Henderson.

The tyke boys also ran well with Marc Deline leading the team in fifth place, followed by Andy Wadeson, Doug Burns, Quinn Young and Cameron Ivens.

Kelly Ann Martin picked up a sixth place ribbon for the atom girls. The atom boys team was led home by Brian Gent, who crossed the line in first place. He was followed by teammates Jeff Alderton, Ross Smith and Alex Douglas.

The bantam girls fared well with Brooke Johnson leading the team with a silver medal.

She was followed by Laura Slimmon, Kathy Waszkiewicz and Nicole Damp. Colin Carroll led the bantam boys with his fourth place finish with Andrew Rennie and Chris Hunt following him across the line.

At the North Halton meet the runners pushed their abilities another step up. Shawna Turner led the atom girls with an excellent second place finish. She was followed closely by Wocker, McDonald, Martin, Henderson and Simpson. The girls' fine running placed the team in second place overall.

Baldwin had 48 runners in the atom boys division. Brian Gent again led the team with his second place finish. Smith, Alderton, Douglas and Young ran exceptionally well and nailed down first place for the team.

The bantam girls team was on winged feet as well. Brooke Johnson's third place led the team with Slimmon, Waszkiewicz, Damp and Shawna Hasselheldt following. The bantams picked up the second team win of the day for Baldwin.

The top three bantam boys were Carroll in sixth with Chris Hunt and Rennie crossing later.

At the All-Halton meet at Bronte Creek Provincial Park there were 50 schools involved and more than 200 runners in each division. The atom girls team finished a respectable 10th. The atom boys were led by Gent's spectacular fifth place and they managed to nail down a team fifth.

The bantam girls ran exceptionally well and managed a fourth place team finish. The bantam boys team, with the help of some atom aged runners, placed 20th overall.

Although Robert Baldwin has no junior aged runners some atom and bantam runners volunteered to make up the junior teams. The girls team of Stacy Adamson, Meighan Gwilliam, Elaine Hatcher, Sharon McArthur and Sarah Polz ran to an astonishing ninth place finish.

The boys team, which was three years

younger and half a metre shorter than the other teams, showed well, finishing 18th. Sean Burnham, Andrew Gluck, McArthur, Adam Ripper and Wadeson surprised the older runners with their efforts.

At the Optimist meet in Georgetown on Saturday Robert Baldwin runners won three trophies in five divisions. The seven and eight year old girls placed second overall. The boys division of the same age group brought home the gold medal. Young took the top spot himself with Marc Deline finishing third, Jeff Weedmark fourth and Andrew Gluck seventh.

The nine year old boys team was led by Gent's gold medal performance. Teammate Ripper's 10th place finish guaranteed the squad first place.

The 10 year old girls, with the help of nine year olds Kendra Miller (13th) and Kelly Ann Martin (10th) were third overall. The 10 year old boys team was led by Carroll's third place and they managed to nail down the bronze.

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### Merchants awesome in 14-4 win over Peterborough

By BRAD REAUME

Strike up the band, set up the floats and deck the majorettes in the old red and black. We're going to have a parade.

Well, not so fast. Put away the Rick Bince masks and tell Mayor Gord Krantz to quit practising his drum major bit.

Despite two big wins on the weekend, Milton Merchant Day remains in the future. With the Merchants 12 games into their season and posting a record of 9-2-1 it's tempting to hand them the title. But it's simply too early in the 42-game Central Ontario Jr. B season to crown anybody champion, or even division winner.

The Merchants crushed lowly Peterborough 14-4 Friday in Milton and then claimed a 6-3 win in Burlington against the Cougars Saturday.

Merchant management knows it's still early. "Some of the teams haven't had a chance to jell yet," said Merchant assistant coach Don Ugolini.

"I still think any team in the league could put it together by playoff time and make a run."

#### In the driver's seat

Merchant head coach and general manager Rick Bince is not so sure. He thinks some teams can be counted out. And he sees Milton as firmly in the driver's seat.

"We're for real," said Bince. "We are the team to beat unless we have a rash of injuries."

The Merchants tyrannized Peterborough, like scientists teasing rats in a maze, destroying them 14-4. Milton's Rob Figliano opened the scoring at 1:40 of the first frame when he poked home a loose puck from the edge of the crease.

The Merchants added a powerplay marker at 7:34 when Jamie Selfridge popped one. Milton took a 3-0 lead on a Jeff Daw goal at 8:50. Daw simply finished off a perfect three-on-one with Kane Edwards and Chris Clarke.

#### Shooting gallery

Peterborough goaltender Scott Toms was in the shooting gallery with pucks rocketing all around his net. Milton lit the lamp seven times in the middle frame, led by Figliano's pair, which gave him the hat trick on the night. Clarke and Selfridge, each with their second, Mike Dunphy, Ken Guilford, and Shawn (Bart) Simpson each chipped in with markers.

Peterborough popped two in the second, the first a beautifully executed two-on-one, the second a controversial goal which the Merchants contended was kicked in. Dave Roche scored the first and Ryan Quinn was credited with the second.

In the third period Milton laid off, scoring only four times. Clarke picked up two more. Like his first goal they were unassisted, giving him an unassisted hat trick. Figliano claimed after the game that the referee refused to give him any assists because he complained about

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The first place Milton Merchants rolled to a 14-4 victory at home on Friday night when they played host to Peterborough. The photo above shows action from that game. They followed that up with a convincing 6-3 win over second place Burlington in Burlington Saturday.

Merchant head coach and general manager Rick Bince says that the Merchants are as good as their 9-2-1 record in the central Ontario league.

### Minor novice reps

## Freightfast splits pair in close games

Freightfast minor novice AA team split a pair recently, beating Brampton 4-1 but losing to Burlington 6-5.

Against Brampton the team came out skating fast and they played heads-up hockey right from the start. Steve Chuchmach potted the first goal midway into the opening period, assisted by Caleb Moffat and Ryan Ellis. Jeff Johnston, the starting goalie, made several super stops and Derrick Mewhinney showed a strong affinity for stealing pucks with his stick checks.

James Mulligan and Andrew Marshall played their strongest defensive game to date with Kris Beal blocking the offensive rushes by Brampton. Craig MacDonald broke away from behind Milton's blueline to score the first goal of his hat trick on the night.

Milton continued to press Brampton into their end throughout the game. The lone goal in the second came from MacDonald on a Beal pass. MacDonald then stickhandled through the Brampton offensive line to score unassisted in the third.

Josh Arnold, who otherwise played well after coming in for Johnston, couldn't stop Brampton as they desperately tried to break the shutout.

In the second contest Milton hosted Burlington, a team they had lost badly to in exhibition play.

### Rep Hockey

Milton jumped to the lead with a quick goal by Matt Ventura. The game flowed back and forth in exciting fashion, with the teams evenly matched. Arnold, who started the game in net for Milton, had some poor luck when Burlington managed to poke some rebounds past him as they milled around the net for a 1-1 lead.

Late in the first MacDonald let a backhand shot fly for a goal with assists going to Chuchmach and Mewhinney to push the score to 4-2. Burlington again took advantage of the confusion around the Milton net early in the second frame, after staying off some Milton thrusts, and made it 5-2.

Milton stormed back, taking advantage of a giveaway in Burlington's end and then finishing off a play which originated behind the Burlington net, but they remained one back.

Burlington slid one past Johnston, in for Arnold, late in the third period and the game seemed over until, with 30 seconds to go Mewhinney scored on an unassisted goal to bring the team within one. Milton could not get the tying marker. MacDonald had an excel-

lent night, scoring his second straight hat trick. The teams are set for a rematch tonight (Wednesday).

#### Minor Atom AA

The Docs and Dents lost a pair last week 5-2 Brampton on Thursday and 8-2 to Oakville Sunday.

Travelling to Brampton, the Docs and Dents had their troubles. They played well but were unable to put the puck in the net. Brampton scored early in the game, forcing Milton to pinch in a defenceman in an effort to get back in it.

Milton goaltenders BJ Forsyth and Wayne Ervin together faced 23 shots. Jeff Chaisson scored unassisted on an end-to-end rush while Jeff Mitchell scored, with an assist going to Jason Enair.

Three days later the Docs and Dents took on Oakville but came out a little flat, losing 8-2. After two periods and with the score standing at 4-0 Milton picked up the pace but they were unable to catch a speedy Oakville squad.

The Milton goaltending duties were again split between Ervin and Forsyth, who faced 32 shots.

Milton goals were scored by Steve Szafer and Adam McLissac with assists to Broussard and Forsyth.

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