

The Coach and Four rumbles to soccer's top spot

The Coach and Four rolled up a 6-2 win over Queens Head and Flash Gas went down 5-4 to MacMillans Frozen Foods in weekend action, to catapult the Coach and Four into first place in the Milton Indoor Soccer League.

In other games Realty World beat The Dickens 4-2 and Hi-Five Hair Design matched the score in their win over Acton Villa.

In the Coach and Four's win their opponents hit the scoreboard first. Ed McClau opened the scoring but Mark Finnigan soon tied it for the league leaders. Finnigan and then John Moynahan popped successive markers for the Coach and Four and they took command 3-1.

Queens Head kept plugging away and were rewarded when Dave Poustie scored to put them only a goal behind. Their hopes were

dashed when Moynahan scored just before the half for a 4-2 lead.

Top scorer Anthony McLaughlin added his usual marker before Andy Cluver sealed up the win for The Coach and Four.

Flash Gas had to win their contest to remain in the tie for first but they went down 5-4 to MacMillans. The winners started in style by jumping into an early 2-0 lead on goals by Ian Brimble and David Banks.

The momentum swung back as Peter Ward and Mike Griffin squared the score at 2-2. MacMillans were not about to be cowed however, and Paul Nojan volleyed one into the net for a 3-2 edge to the underdogs. Just as quickly Flash Gas were back in a tie when reliable Kevin Griffin scored just before half time.

After the interval MacMillans once again

took the lead this time with David Haimer finding the net. They stretched the lead to two goals when Peter Wright made no mistake on a penalty kick.

Flash tried to come back and they made a game of it on Kevin Griffin's second goal but they couldn't get the equalizer.

Realty World wasted no time in jumping on The Dickens. Antoello Dattoma managed the first goal and then he added a second for an early lead. The Dickens kept coming and were rewarded when Craig Tattersall, who has been The Dickens starting goalie on occasion, hit on a long range rocket.

After the half the Dickens began in fine style as Dominic Walker made it 2-2. It was a fast game with some nice moves but The Dickens squad seemed to run out of steam. Realty

World cashed in with a pair of markers, one from Steve Stazi and one from Mark Toale to become 4-2 winners.

In the last game of the day Hi-Five claimed a 4-2 win over Acton Villa who are still looking for their first win. Hi-Five started the scoring with team captain Frank Czikk hitting the net.

This didn't rattle the Villa team as Brock Warner got them back level and then Daniel Gibson gave them the lead. It seemed that Villa's day to get their first league points had arrived but it was not to be.

Just before the half George Vaslulanu evened the score. Both teams played a fast second half with the game finally swinging Hi-Five's way. Danillo Kozolic made it 3-2 and with seconds remaining Andy Garside wrapped it up with a goal for Hi-Five.

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Holy Rosary wins first tourney

Boys and girls basketball teams from Georgetown, Acton and Milton participated in the sixth annual Royal Invitational Associate School Tournament at Bishop Reding Secondary School on Friday.

The boys division saw Milton's Holy Rosary go undefeated in round robin play, dropping St. Joseph's (Acton), Holy Cross and St. Francis (Georgetown), and St. Peter's and Our Lady of Victory (Milton).

Our Lady of Victory was second with only a single defeat. They went on to win the semifinal 43-28 against St. Francis who finished third. In the final Holy Rosary downed Our Lady of Victory 58-36 to take the title.

In the girls division Our Lady of Victory dominated play going undefeated. A close contest between second place St. Peter's and third place Holy Rosary made for an exciting semifinal. St. Peter's came out the victors 28-18 to earn a berth in the final against Our Lady of Victory.

In the final Our Lady of Victory dominated 40-23.

Reding wins own tourney

By TRACEY TAPPER
 Special to The Champion

Bishop Reding Secondary School's senior girls volleyball team claimed the title of their own tournament with a 15-13, 15-7 win over Lord Elgin High School (Burlington) on the weekend.

The fourth annual edition of the Royal Invitational featured 12 teams split into two divisions. After divisional action, the second and third place teams in each division, battled for the right to take on the first place team of the other in a cross over which ensures the two best teams make the final. Teams came from as far away as St. Catharines and Newmarket.

Bishop Reding won their division with two Burlington teams, Nelson and Assumption, playing to stay alive. In the other division Lord Elgin was first with Philip Pocock (Mississauga) and Sacred Heart (Newmarket) in second and third.

Nelson beat Assumption 15-12, 15-2 and Philip Pocock downed Sacred Heart two games to one, 15-9, 10-15, 15-12.

Reding took on Pocock and beat them 15-4, 15-12. Lord Elgin took on major rivals Nelson and beat them 15-3, 15-10.

The results set up the championship final which Reding triumphed in two straight games.



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE
 Mike Caparelo of Holy Rosary fights for the ball with Brian Lipp of St. Francis during their game on Tuesday at Holy Rosary. The host side won the game 62-51. Holy Rosary also claimed the Bishop Reding Feeder School Basketball Tournament boys title.

Halton all-stars find some disappointments on European hockey tour

Upon arriving in Denmark just after Christmas the Halton Hockey All-Stars found their promised tournament scuttled for reasons they still haven't pieced together.

"We were disappointed," said Halton coach Bob Pitt of Milton District High School.

"We were told the Swedish team backed out two hours before game time. The Danish said they had sent the information on December 18 but we never heard anything."

According to Pitt the tournament folded but the Danish set up exhibition games for Halton against some of the teams they would have faced in the original tournament format.

When Halton proved too strong for their first opponent the Danish organizers bolstered their next opponent with elite (professional) players.

Halton won all the games they played.

They opened with a 12-1 win over HIK Gentofte, a club team. Halton finished the tour against the same team downing them 9-2 in the second contest.

Their second and third games were against Rungstead, games that Halton won 11-0 and 7-2, with elite players included in the line-up.

Halton also played Rodovre, a team considered the best in the area, and they managed a 5-3 win with

their hosts scoring a late goal to make it close.

"The Danish kids are great skaters and puckhandlers," said Pitt, "But they can't play the physical game. They scouted us and tried to match teams for us to get good games and beefing up their line-ups but it didn't work. Their players ranged in age from 18-25 years old."

Pitt said he was disappointed in the calibre of teams they played but from a cultural and social aspect the trip was a great success. He said the frontline players on the Halton All-Stars could easily make any Junior B team.

"Actually the players are from all around Halton and they were very tight at the end," he said. "They have already planned some activities to keep them together."

Pitt said the players never complained about the outcome of the hockey and they were able to take a number of tours of significant cultural and historical sites.

"Language wasn't a barrier. About 80 per cent of the media is English. The stuff that threw the kids were the lack of automobiles in the streets because many people ride bicycles and the age of some of the buildings."

Pitt said that the consensus was they would do it again because, despite the disappointment of the hockey, it was a positive experience.

Axe Ajax 10-4

Merchants open up three-point on top

By BRAD REAUME

The Milton Merchants cleaned the Ajax Axemen 10-4 Tuesday night on the Axemen's international sized ice surface. The win put Milton three points up on Oakville with six games remaining in the Central Ontario Junior B season. Oakville has a game in hand.

Jeff Daw and team captain Shawn Healey led the way for Milton. Daw notched four goals and Healey added three with Clancy Seymour chipping home a pair and Ryan Delaronde popping a single.

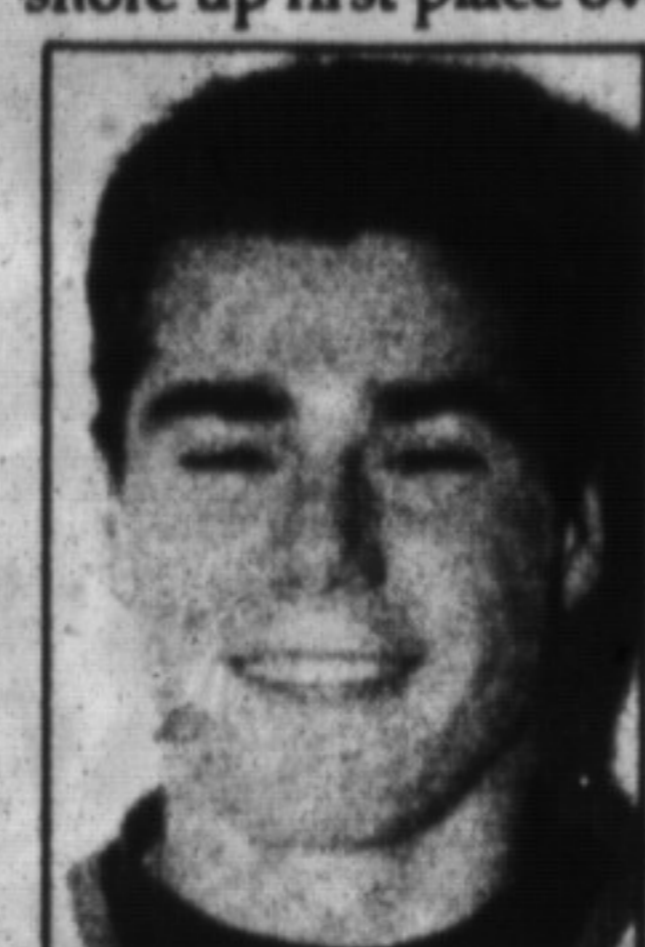
Milton took an early lead when Healey scored slightly more than a minute into the game. Ajax tied it up before Milton jumped into a 3-1 lead. For the balance of the first two frames Milton moved ahead and Ajax played catch-up, never quite able to work a tie.

Milton began the third frame with a 5-4 lead thanks to a pair of power play markers in the second by Ajax, and they closed the door by scoring five unanswered goals.

Seymour added three assists to his goals for a five point night. Daw added an assist as did Healey for five and four point nights respectively.

"It was a good game for us," said Milton coach

and general manager Rick Bince. "Now if we can win our next two (Friday against Georgetown and Tuesday in Oakville) that would pretty much shore up first place overall."



Shawn Healey

December he expressed interest in jumping to the Merchants. Bince says that Cardillo practiced with the team but with a cut down date approaching he needed time to determine the necessary juggling to get Cardillo aboard.

In the interim Bince proposed that Cardillo report to the Acton Sabres junior C team to keep in game shape. In fact, Bince claims he was con-

vinced that Cardillo was going to report when he learned that Cardillo had played for Oakville in a contest against Burlington.

The situation has yet to work itself out according to Bince. He says he hopes the situation has occurred because of a misunderstanding and nothing more.

"I'd say there's a good chance that Cardillo will appear in a Merchants uniform," Bince said. "We've just got to give it time to work it out."

The Merchants next home game is tonight (Friday) when they take on a tough Georgetown Raider squad at 8 p.m. at Memorial Arena. On Tuesday they play Oakville at Oakville Arena on Rebecca Avenue just west of Kerr Street.

Central Ont. Jr. B. West Division Standings

	G	W	L	T	F	A	Pt
Milton	36	24	7	5	173	117	53
Oakville	35	21	6	8	205	123	50
Georgetown	36	17	12	7	187	148	41
Brampton	34	19	13	2	221	171	40
Streetsville	35	14	13	8	178	156	36
Burlington	35	14	15	6	134	117	34
Ajax	34	10	22	2	139	191	22
Royal York	35	2	33	0	73	286	4