

Surprises litter the MFFL playing field in Week Eight

The normally staid Milton Flag Football League came through with a week of surprises as Don Cherry's stunned Bruce Hood 50-20 and Halton Pool and Spa equalled the shock with a 39-24 victory over Fat Freddy's. The last game of the week brought things back to normal as Re/max was crushed 36-6 by The Dickens.

The week's opener was the marquee match-up, but those who expected a close game were disappointed. Cherry's QB Scott MacCallum demonstrated why he is the most explosive quarterback in the league as he threw

FLAG FOOTBALL

with PATRICK HOULE

for five touchdowns, giving him 34 for the season to lead the league.

Scoring majors for the Grapevine were Chris Black with three, Bob Donnelly, Bob Fleming and Ken French with two interceptions returned for touchdowns. John Iantorno had

his first field goal of the year as well as five extra points.

Bruce Hood started the game well, capitalizing on the fact that at game time, Cherry's only had seven players. Quarterback Tom Walker threw for two touchdowns in the first quarter, with one going to Dave Bradley and the other to Steve Nicholl. Dan Fantin caught a two point conversion and Bruce Hood Travel led 14-0.

That was all they got until late in the fourth quarter, when Walker found Dennis Koop in the end zone to make the score 44-20. Walker

finished the game with three touchdowns but also three interceptions.

On Wednesday, Halton Pools and Spas was up against Fat Freddy's, though things looked bleak for the former as they could only field seven players for the entire game.

However, quarterback Rob Scott rallied his troops to a surprising win with 39 points scored, their highest total of the season. Scott threw for five touchdowns with Jeff Corry being the recipient of three, the third thanks to a lateral from Larry Beard; the other scores

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Hanley wins his fifth

Junior Hanley, driver of the Molson Ex/Quaker State Ford Thunderbird regained the GM National stock car series point lead with his victory in the Budwieser 200, late in June at Circuit Ste. Croix. It was his fifth win in eight American-Canadian Tour (ACT) starts and fourth win in five GM National series races.

The Campbellville driver, who is attempting to defend his 1991 GM series crown took the lead for the final time from Vermont driver Beaver Dragon, on the 139th circuit of the 200 lap event. His backstretch move after breaking loose as the pair came down the front chute, brought the standing room only crowd to their feet.

Hanley moved like a basketball player driving down the lane as he weaved his way through the first and second turns behind Dragon's Pontiac and down the long back straight. He finally powered into the lead as the duo entered the third corner of the five-eighths mile oval.

Junior Hanley

Racing a reputation

There's nothing more terrifying for a young stock car driver than to look in the rearview mirror and see Junior Hanley and his Molson Export Ford Thunderbird sitting on his bumper, waiting for the slightest mistake.

"That happened to me at Flamboro Speedway when I first started racing," recalled Randy MacDonald of Oshawa, Ontario, recently. "It shook me up pretty good because the next thing I knew I was into the fence and off the track."

Today MacDonald sees the same hard-nosed determination paying dividends for Edward James (Junior) Hanley on the American-Canadian Tour. Few drivers attain the same respect the gnarled Nova Scotian gets when he puts his mind and savvy to work on a short, paved oval.

Hanley is somewhat more refined than when MacDonald first crossed bumpers with him, but he's recognized wherever he drives in

Hanley started on the pole, the first driver in nine races to repeat as point sitter, but he lost his advantage when he pitted for right side rubber on lap 85. He worked his way back through the 36 car starting field only to get caught up in an incident on the 113th lap. A group of cars, which included Yvon Bedard, Randy MacDonald, Buzzie Bezanson, Hanley and Robbie Thompson went off the third turn. Thompson's was the only car to sustain damage.

"My car was running good when I came back out after the first stop, but then I got caught up in something later and had to pit again. I was lucky to be able to work my way up once again since there were a lot of guys running strong," Hanley said.

Following the ACT/GM National series champion across the line was Dragon and 21 year old Derek Lynch of Norwood, Ontario. A pair of Quebec drivers, Roger Laperle from St. Denis and Sherrington's Jean-Paul Cabana rounded out the top five.



Junior Hanley

North America as one of the sport's most astute performers, an artist at his trade, who rarely makes a move on the track without first looking at options, then reacting accordingly, despite speeds in excess of 100 miles an hour.

The Campbellville resident peaked in 1991 as a driver, a major sponsorship deal with Molson allowed him to drive full cycle on the ACT circuit. It was the first time he had been able to give his full attention to a season long series, since moving to Ontario in 1974, because of his commitment to build quality cars for other drivers.

The marriage with Molson paid off handsomely for Hanley and his car. By season's end he had won an ACT series record \$236,000 in prize money and contingencies and took home the winner's purse at the season-ending All-American 400 at Nashville, Tennessee.

Hanley started off 1992 where he left off in 1991, atop both the ACT and GM National Series standings — each worth \$50,000 at the end of the year — and he took the first leg toward repeating his 1991 Triple Crown victory which awards the winner another \$50,000 bonus.

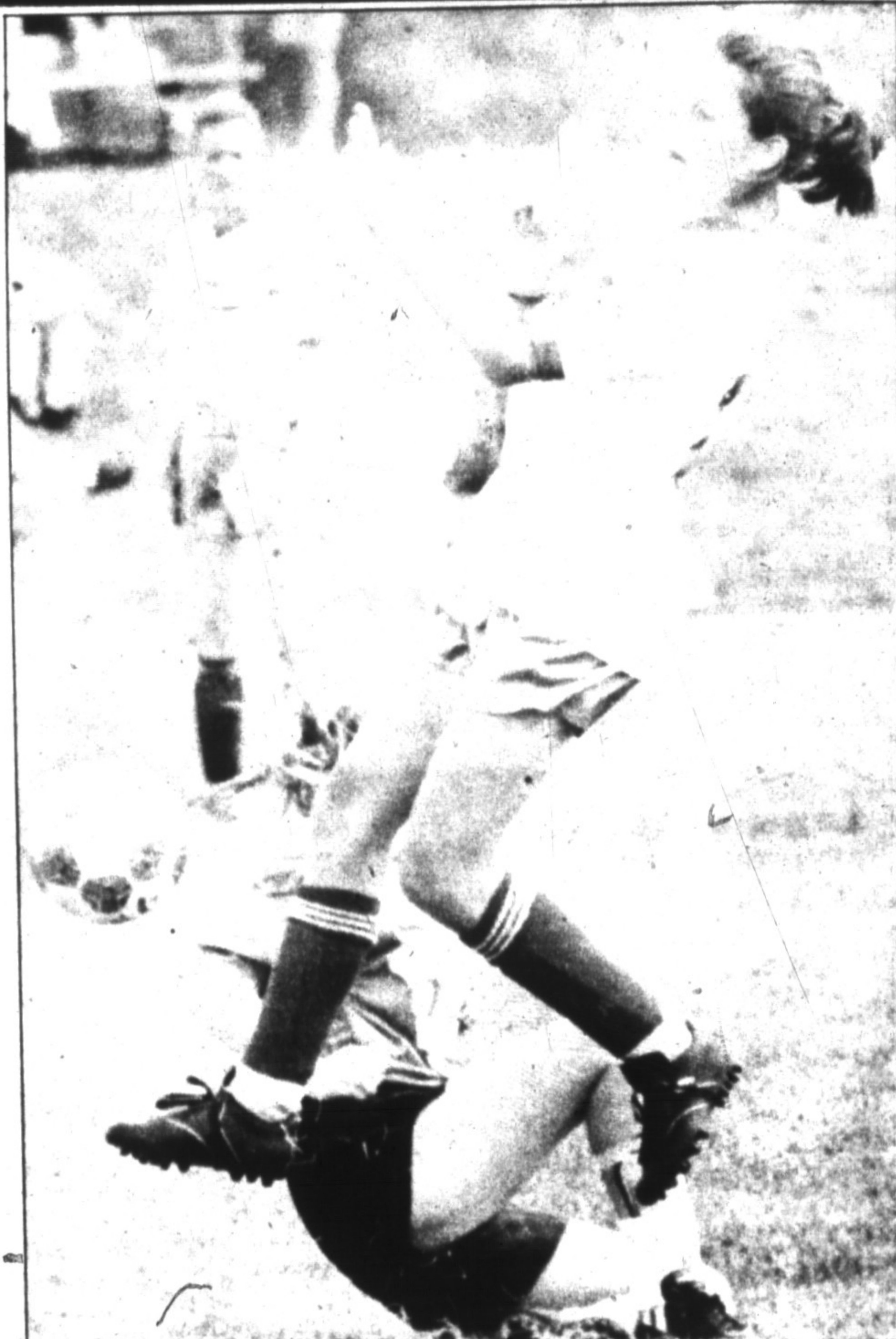


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Hi-karate chop!

A Milton player tries to discover the zen of soccer as she hurdles a sliding Ajax player in the under 16 select girls tournament on the weekend at Thompson Fields. Milton went on to win the game 4-1 and advance to the final where they beat Grimsby 3-1 to take the gold.

Small swim team racks up big wins in central qualifier

The Milton Swim Team sent eight swimmers to Uxbridge to compete in the Central 'C' Championship qualifying meet.

Twelve other clubs from the central region, including the powerful Etobicoke Pepsi team, gave the small Milton contingent heavy competition.

In the girls 10 and under Christine Swanson improved times in her events and earned a bronze medal for a time of 41.41 seconds in the 50 metre butterfly. Swanson also entered the 25 metre butterfly and swam to a fifth place finish.

In the boys 10 and under division Fraser

Komow and Peter Jokic both improved their personal best times. Komow had a solid first place finish in the 25 metre butterfly and took a silver in the 25 metre freestyle in 17.19 seconds. Komow also earned a fourth place in the 100 metre freestyle while Jokic claimed a fourth in the 50 metre freestyle.

In the 11 and 12 year old category, Beth Meehan, Jessica Roselle and Brad Scanlon all represented Milton well in the highly competitive age group.

Meehan had a tremendously successful day claiming three gold medals for finishes in the 50 metre backstroke (20.22), 100 metre back-

stroke (1:26.89) and the 200 metre individual medley (3:07.39). Meehan took the bronze in the 50 metre breaststroke and a fourth in the 50 metre butterfly.

Roselle improved all her personal best times and took sixth place in the 50 metre breaststroke. Scanlon earned a bronze medal for the 50 metre breaststroke and a fourth in the 100 metre butterfly.

Kristi Roselle and Ivan Popovic also had a successful meet in the 13 and over age group.

Roselle swam to three first place finishes in the 100 metre butterfly, 200 metre freestyle and the 200 metre individual medley. She also

took silvers in the 50 metre breaststroke and the 50 metre butterfly capping off the day with fourths in the 50 metre breaststroke and the 100 metre backstroke.

Popovic swam to gold finishes in the 50 metre breaststroke and the 100 metre freestyle, the latter in a personal best 1:09.28. He earned a silver medal for the 100 metre backstroke and bronze medals in the 50 metre backstroke and butterfly events.

For most of the swimmers the season is over. However Meehan, Popovic, and Jeff Wilson will attend the Central 'B' Championships in Etobicoke to wrap their seasons.