

# Medics get over .500 with wins over Brampton, Flamboro

## REP HOCKEY

The minor atom Docs and Dents took two in a row last week to bring their record to 5-3-0 in regular season play.

Following back-to-back games with Erin/Hillsburg, Milton met Brampton at Memorial Arena. Milton came out looking sharp and less than three minutes into the game Matt de Ree and Derek Mewhinney set David Kornack up with a slick passing play. Mat Ventura was giving the Brampton goalie nightmares as he repeatedly burst through the Brampton defence. He accounted for two goals in the second period bringing the tally to 3-0.

Bryan Shaw scored from his position on defence with a low shot on the stick side early in the third but rather than folding, Brampton came back with their first goal. Three-and-

a-half minutes later Brampton caught Milton out of position to shorten the lead to two. Mike Therriault killed Brampton's hopes and momentum with one last goal assisted.

Milton was first on the board in the game against Flamboro at Carlisle, with a goal by Ventura assisted by Therriault and Steve Chuchmach. Then Milton scored again, with a classic wrap-around by Derek Mewhinney.

Flamboro came back for one and from then on answered Milton goal for goal. Tyler Rennie was good for a goal assisted by Bryan Shaw and Craig Macdonald and Rennie came

back with John Melito to assist Macdonald.

Down by one goal, Flamboro pulled their goalie in the final minute but could not get their powerplay on track leaving the final score 4-3 for Milton.

### Peewees take two wins, one loss

In a return match that saw Burlington visit the peewee Hurricanes on home ice at Tonelli Sports Centre last Wednesday, the Halton squad came out on top once more.

The Ridley Windows and Doors peewees beat the visitors by a one goal margin, with Halton goals scored by Matthew Peers, Jeff Seeds, Darren Haydar and Adam Bertoli.

Halloween cast a losing spell on the 'canes when they hosted rivals from Guelph at Hillsburgh Arena. On the way to a 6-5 loss, Peers and Haydar scored Halton's first two goals and the last goal of the game was scored by Hurricane Paul Loader.

In between those goals, the Guelph team used their size to put the Halloween fright into the Hurricane squad. Despite strong defensive play by Hurricanes: Wes Blight, Mike Roy, Shane Thompson, Chris Chliszyk, Jared Robinson, netminder Ryan Billingham and two additional Halton goals by Ben Wilson and Haydar, it was not enough to overcome the visitors.

Sunday night action in Brampton provided a host of penalties awarded to both teams. The Halton squad

came out on the short side of the penalty minutes and that probably helped to determine their win. The 'canes came out on top in scoring with a 7-4 final. Loader, Bertoli and Haydar each had two goals with Seeds and Peers each adding one. Chad Melenbacher was in net for the winning Hurricanes.

### Slessor peewees remain winless

Milton's AA major peewee reps are still looking for that first win at the end of another week of action.

The Slessor Motors peewees were defeated 7-2 by Brampton last week even after slamming 26 shots on goal. Ian Beith was the only Milton player to connect, scoring on a nice

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# SPORTS

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

## Home ice a charm for Merchants

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Some great offensive efforts in the final two periods along with solid netminding from newcomer Bradley Glassford gave the Milton Merchants an exciting 7-4 comeback victory over the Brampton Capitals Friday night at Memorial Arena.

The win lifts Milton's win streak at home to six games and gives them a 2-0 season record against their archrivals, the Capitals (who have lost only two games so far).

On the road last week, the Merchants also beat the Caledon Canadians 4-3 Thursday evening and drew a 7-7 tie with the Burlington Cougars Monday evening. Their trip to Oakville Tuesday was the low point of a very busy week as they were doubled up 6-3 by the Blades.

Their two wins last week bring

Milton up to third place in Central Ontario Junior A West Division standings with an 8-4-2 record.

"It took us a period to get going but we played well after that," said Merchant head coach Rick Bince, following Friday night's win. "It was a long week for us, Glassford was outstanding in net for us in all four games."

Glassford comes to the Merchants from the Hamilton Junior Bs where he played last season. With two solid goaltenders now with Milton, the Merchants should be able to shut down their opponents' offensive attacks in the week ahead.

Milton got off to a slow start Friday evening and it looked as though they would fall to the first place Capitals, who penetrated their defensive unit frequently in the opening frame.

Brampton went on the scoreboard at 1:51 with a bang-in rebound by Ryan Foster from Marty Wells and Randy Thistle.

Glassford played a solid game in the first but couldn't prevent a Derek Wells wrist shot from finding its mark and putting the Capitals up 2-0 at 19:10.

Milton players picked up the pace near the end of the first period but couldn't capitalize on their scoring chances and went to the dressing room trailing by two.

Brampton's Marty Wells notched a tally off a well marked slap shot in the opening minute of the second period and it looked as though Brampton's powerful offensive attack would be just too much for Milton to combat after a busy week of Junior A hockey action.

The Merchants however, had different plans. They outscored their opponents 4-1 in the remainder of the second frame and tied the score at four after two periods of play.

Milton's second period scoring attack began at 4:09 with a successful slap shot by Clancy Seymour, assisted by Travis Riffin and Steve

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### Graduates

Seven young gymnasts have graduated to the competitive level in the Milton Springs Gymnastics Club after a rigorous tryout and six week probation period necessary to make a position on the team. The new competitors are: (back row) from left Rena Dunn; Amy Colavecchia; Laura Rose; (front row) Valerie Massel; Rebekah Lugadin. Absent from photo are Alexia Stoffels and Heather Gibb.



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### On guard

Lord Elgin Lancers forward Amy Howlson has her hands full trying to get past Bishop Reding's Janet Clay in the midget girls Halton Championship tournament last week. The Reding Royals defeated White Oaks 22-9 earlier then took down Lord Elgin 34-24. They lost in the final however. See Royal Report on page 24.