

Basketball gold for Monarch bantams in Brantford

Capture 'A' Division and head to provincial championships

The Milton Monarch bantam A division boys basketball team struck gold going undefeated in the Brantford Briers basketball tournament last weekend.

The annual event attracted 1,200 players from 102 teams in 10 divisions. Teams came from as far away as Pittsburgh, Penn., and Ottawa to compete.

The Monarchs won their first game March 26, against the Orillia Lakers 45-34. High scorers were Adam Bertoli, Matt O'Brien and David Ham. Saturday's game saw Milton win 58-42 over the Mississauga Mauraders. Adam

Moy helped with four outstanding blocked shots.

The Monarchs played the semi-finals Sunday, winning 56-43 over London's Forest City Ramblers. Milton lead the game from tip-off and gained from the steady play of Sean Postma and Rob McCall's six blocked shots. Sunday afternoon brought the Woodstock team against the Milton squad for the gold. The Monarchs clinched it in the final quarter with baskets from Matt Edwards, Jeff Morgan and strong defence by Mike Timbers.

The Monarch squad comprises 13 and 14

year-olds from Milton, Georgetown and Campbellville area. With the gold medal, the Monarchs anticipate a strong finish in the Ontario Basketball Association Provincial Championships at the end of this month.

Silver medalists

The Monarch midget boys won the silver medal at a Mississauga tournament last weekend. Led by the MVP winner Shayne Ridley, the Milton squad defeated Etobicoke and Orillia, only to lose in the finals to Mississauga.

The Monarch junior boys won the consola-

tion championship in the 100 team Mississauga tournament. After losing 60-59 to a Martin Grove all-star team, Milton defeated the Brampton Selects 87-57 and Brantford 92-60. The Monarchs used team speed and an aggressive defence to succeed with only seven players available.

The Monarch bantam girls won the consolation round as well. After losing to Burlington 42-33, the girls went on to defeat London 49-25 and Bagrie 37-20. The girls are preparing for the Ontario Championships April 15-16 in Brantford.



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Chris Price cashes in on national wrestling bronze medal

E.C. Drury's Chris Price earned a national bronze medal at the Canadian Cadet Wrestling Championships, held in Saskatoon last weekend.

A bantam bronze medalist in 1991, Price becomes only the second two-time national medalist in Drury history.

It capped off another outstanding year for the three-year veteran. The Ontario Cadet Open champion recorded 49 wins and 11 medals, six of them gold.

After an opening round bye, Price got off to a strong start pinning Craig Norman of Saskatchewan. Next came an 11-0 technically superior victory over Ontario's John Johnston.

This qualified Price for the semi-finals in the 23-man 51 kg division. Facing Western Canada's top ranked wrestler, D.J. Le Drew of Calgary, Price's game plan fell apart midway through a close match, as Le Drew ran up a seven point lead to eventually score a pin victory.

Le Drew went on to win the gold medal while Price advanced into the bronze medal round.

Recovering from the loss, Price stormed back to score a pin over Ontario's Lindsay Robles and a bronze medal, winning 16-6 over Regina's Doug Marriot.

With two years left, the 15 year-old Price will set his sights on the junior nationals in the coming two years as he attempts to become Drury's first three-time national finalist.

Players picked for hockey camp

Four Milton hockey players have been selected to attend an Ontario Minor Hockey Association mid-April camp.

A total of seven members of the Halton Hurricanes AAA Minor Hockey Alliance were chosen to attend the "under 17" camp including Milton players Scott Bertoli, Trevor Kuhn, Darryl Loader and Jeff Haydar.

There will be five camps held this month and from those, 30 players will go onto the Canadian Minor Hockey Association camp in June.



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

World champ

Peter Corner, an officer in Milton with Halton Regional Police hung up his uniform while competing in the World Curling Championship in Geneva on the weekend. The lead of the winning team skipped by Russ Howard, is congratulated by girlfriend Paula Berthelot at Pearson International Airport Monday night.

Advance to nationals

Peel Selects earn provincial junior women's volleyball title

Milton's Marsha Van Cedar blocked and hit with tenacity in the second match of the final during a 13-hour marathon with her Peel Select Junior Women's team on their way to capturing the Ontario volleyball crown.

The win at Scarborough College secures their berth in the Canadian Women's National Volleyball Championships in Calgary at the end of the month.

Although the Selects finished first in their pool, the road was tough, beating the Ottawa University Junior Gee Gees 15-13; 15-10. In the second match the Toronto Comets fell 15-

9 and 15-11. The Selects split two games with Waterdown 2-15, 15-13.

The quarter finals saw the Selects struggle to win over the wildcard Laurentian Vees 13-15, 15-11 and 15-7. Toronto Titans went down quickly in the semi final match 15-7, 15-10.

In the final match Ottawa Gee Gees won the first encounter 15-12 but the Selects took the next two for the championship, 15-13 and 15-4.

The team travels to the Cajun Classics Volleyball Tournament at New Orleans this weekend.

Ontario volleyball championship for rookie starter

By ROB KELLY
The Champion

To go west, as in West Side, is to go with a winner in provincial volleyball circles. And Milton's Brett Lewis is one of the chosen few who powered West Side to the Ontario midget championship Sunday.

West Side, a collection of the best age division male players from Halton and Peel, is a dominant force in provincial volleyball. The weekend tournament at Sheridan College in Oakville proved it as West Side beat four teams on Saturday and two Sunday, losing only two sets in the process.

West Side clinched the championship by beating Tri-City (Cambridge). West Side rallied after losing the first set 15-13, then posted back-to-back wins by 15-10 and 15-8 margins. In the semi-finals, West Side beat Ottawa in straight sets.

Against four opponents Saturday, West Side lost only one set, 15-11 to London.

Reverend Rod Lewis, Brett's father and the minister at Knox Presbyterian Church in Milton, was present for the championship charge. It was son Brett's first year with the team and "he was the only first year lad to make the starting lineup," Rev. Lewis noted.

Reverend Lewis was an athlete himself until a motorcycle accident cut short those endeavours. "I'm sort of reliving a lot of my aspirations and joys through him," he said of Brett. "But I don't push him."

Brett "is interested in volleyball as his sport," Rev. Lewis said, although the 15-year-old grade 10 student has played a variety of others. Most notably, he won a berth on the provincial under 16 rugby team.

There were nine teams in the weekend tournament. West Side was caught napping in their opening set loss to London.

"They just sort of dozed off," Rev. Lewis remarked. But West Side quickly bounced back to "play the way they're used to playing."

London established a 7-0 lead "before we even got on the board," Rev. Lewis noted, but West Side made a contest of it by forging back to lose the set by only two points, 15-13.

The victory means a berth in the eastern national championship in Fredericton, New Brunswick, at the end of April.

West Side is a rags-to-riches story, from a competitive point of view. It was formed in 1984, and won only two games in its first season. Within three years, the club had won its first provincial title.

Regg Miller founded the club and is its coach. Brett Lewis was recommended as a potential member by his E.C. Drury coach, Wendy Wallace, who was at the weekend tournament to cheer him on.

Other team members are: Brad Skerrett, John Alexiou, Sean Peasgood, Ian Harris, Nick Rupich, Adam Wysocki, Andrew Krajewski, Dan Andic, Dominic Di-Michelle, Tyler Proctor and Mike MacIsaac.



Brett Lewis