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Sports SHORTS

Eden Park tops at competition

Eden Park Equestrian Centre in Milton hosted the first leg of the regional Challenge Series recently and came away the big winner, taking first prize in 11 of 22 classes.

Colleen McKenzie, riding So Perfekt, and Sarah Wilson on board Shy Magician, each won two classes in the adult (over 19), age division.

Other winners in that division were Gillian Jones on Reasonable Doubts and Julia Deakin riding Chesapeake. Chesapeake also won in the junior class when Heather McDonald took the reins.

Jeremy Feenstra won the junior cavaletti jumping course on Wee Michael. Two other Milton riders were winners in the junior competition — Erin Kielo on Paint by Number and Kate Campbell riding Long John Silver.

Nearly 80 riders and horses from stables up to 30 miles away attended the show.

Halton Skating School results

The following Halton Skating School skaters passed their figure skating test last week at Thompson Arena:

Dutch Waltz: Katién Burian, Erin Baker, Brett Danks, Julie Chang, Cathy Mandarin.

Canasta Tango: Candice Change, Stephanie Mullally.

Baby Blues: Jennifer Williams, Amanda Branch.

Swing: Amanda Branch, Joey Brunelle, Alana Petrie, Gillian Brunell.

Fiesta: Nicole Zinck, Tessa Timbers.

Willow: Courtney Leskun, Suzanne Koso, Daniel P...oo, Jessica Metelka.

Junior Bronze Freeskate: Nicole LaForest, Lauren Robinson.

Preliminary Figure: Joey Brunelle, Alana Petrie, Amanda Branch.

First Figure: Amy Danks, Lauren Cooke, Casey Miller, Julia Metelka.

Second Figure: Becky Cowling.

Third Figure: Candice Timbers, Jenny May.

Fourth Figure: Karen Connors, Becky Danks, Ashley Monckton, Cora Routledge, Cara McGilloway.

Tango: Cara McGilloway, Jenny May, Candice Timbers.

Starlight: Bronwyn Marshall.

Sixth Figure: Michelle Stephens.



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Preston's pen pals

Canadian Olympic skater Karen Preston was surrounded by eager young autograph-seeking figure skaters as she visited the Halton Skating Club booth at the Showcase business exhibition held in Memorial Arena on the weekend.

In Halton baseball semi

MDHS bows out to Burlington

The Milton District High School baseball team was undefeated heading into their Halton semifinal encounter with Burlington's Notre Dame last Friday at Brian Best Park. But then the wheels fell off and they found a new opponent to beat — themselves.

It happens to the best of teams, and make no mistake about it, the Mustangs proved themselves to be one of the best with their 7-0-1 record before the game. But uncharacteristic fielding and mental mistakes were their downfall, and they came out on the short end of a 5-4 extra-inning decision.

Adam Flatt started on the mound for Milton and pitched a gutsy four innings, the maximum allowable in high school games. He battled every hitter, getting all but one of his outs via the ground ball or the strikeout route.

Notre Dame jumped out to a first-inning lead on a walk, stolen base and opposite field chunker. Milton came back in the bottom of the second after catcher Kevin Wilson walked and was replaced by courtesy runner Jimmy Fay (allowed for catchers to give them time to put on the equipment). He stole second and then went to third on a passed ball. Pat Lynch drove him home with a solid single to left.

Notre Dame got three unearned runs in the third on fielding errors by Milton, one on an errant pickoff attempt and two more on an overthrow of first base.

Down 4-1 in the bottom of the fifth, Milton mounted their comeback, thankful to have Notre Dame's starting pitcher out of the game. Mark McPhail led off with a solid double to right, and with one out, Shayne Ridley hit a grounder to the shortstop, who lifted his glove and watched it go between his legs. That brought McPhail home to make it 4-2. Shayne Ferrier then drove one to centre over the fielder's head for a triple to bring Milton within one.

The tying run was the result of some aggressive play by Ferrier. Fay hit a dribbler to third with the runner going on contact. Caught up between third and home, Ferrier

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stopped and then decided his only chance was to go for it, so he went full speed toward the catcher and knocked him into the twilight zone, shaking the ball loose and touching the plate with his hand.

Meanwhile, Ferrier replaced Flatt on the mound to start the fifth, and delivered his usual outstanding effort. He struck out five of the first six batters and didn't allow a hit over his first three innings. Notre Dame batters could barely see the ball, much less hit it.

Into extra innings, however, Notre Dame struck in the top of the eighth with a long fly ball to deep center that allowed the runner to go to third. He came home on an opposite-field hit to give Notre Dame the 5-4 lead.

Fay led off the bottom of the eighth for Milton District with a smash off the shoulder of the third baseman. Wilson hit one to the second baseman, who threw it out into left field trying to get the lead runner at second. That put runners on the corners with Lynch at bat and none out. He hit a fly ball to left, not deep enough, however, to take a chance on the runner tagging and going home with still only one out. Next, with Flatt at the plate, Fay raced for home in a squeeze attempt and was dead on arrival because Flatt had somehow missed the sign.

Manager Tim Black was philosophical about the missed sign and the loss, and felt badly for Flatt, an integral part of the team's success this year, who was clearly upset with himself. "These things happen — it's baseball, not life or death."

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Weasels don't waltz as Delegarde dings 'em

Ray Delegarde threw eight touchdown passes for Bruce Hood Travel in a 54-20 romp over the Waltzing Weasels in Milton Flag Football League action last week. Frank Brinkhoff caught three of them and Rick Flemming grabbed two, with singles going to Chris Henry, Jas Basra and Werner Mikoleit. For the losers, Darren Goertzen tossed three for scores, two to Dave Wheelihan and one to Mark Zinga.

Rick Goodings also had a good week at quarterback. He led The Dickens to a 27-20 victory over Don Cherry's with four TD passes, and had five more against Fat Freddy's in a 33-14 win. Lou Saunders caught two touchdown passes versus Don Cherry's, with Rob Young and D. Pilo also making it into the end zone. Scott McCallum threw two scores to Craig Wilson and one to Kerry Duggan for Don Cherry's.

In the win over Fat Freddy's, John Iannitorno had two TD receptions, with others going to Dana Briscoe, Kirk Honey, and Dave Turner. Mark Green and Scott Wallace had scores for Fat Freddy's.

In one other game, Guy Girard led the way for Halton Pool and Spa with three touchdown tosses in a 27-12 defeat of Re/max. Jeff Corey and Peter Daly hauled in passes for scores while Bill Hopkins returned an interception for a touchdown. Dom Lempre threw markers for Re/max to Chris Vaundry and Todd Tanse.

Whitlock runs to new record

Ed Whitlock ran to a new Canadian record at the American Express 8 Kilometer Challenge in Toronto to help set the pace on a successful weekend for the Milton Runners Club. His time of 27:59 was tops in the 60-64 age group. Neil Whitlock also placed well, as did Kathy James with a sixth in her age category.

At the Bolton Camp 8k Fun Run, three Milton Runners collected medals. Sue Leeder was the first female finisher, Bill Robertson was the second male, and daughter Adrienne Robertson was first female in the under 12 category.

Cindy Anne Johnston joined other local runners Sue Grinstead and Petra Halk in a field of 500 at a marathon in South Bend, Indiana, and handily won her age group with a time of 3:30:26.

The 42k race started off on the grounds of the famous Notre Dame University before heading through the streets of the picturesque town. Grinstead and Halk also finished strongly.