



# SPORTS

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Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

There was plenty of action in front of the Milton minor novice net Wednesday morning against Meadowvale. Here eager Beaver tournament players from both teams dive for a loose puck.

## Ends Saturday

# Busy Beaver sees some sterling shows from locals

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There's been no shortage of action so far at the 22nd annual Beaver Tournament, which got started Tuesday and runs through until tomorrow (Saturday) evening.

Here's a rundown of how the host Milton teams have fared through the early goings of round-robin play.

### TYKE

#### Milton 1, Ancaster Royals 0

In the inaugural year for a tyke division, these two teams did a great job representing their respective communities — in a penalty-free, edge-of-your-seat thriller from the opening puck drop to the final buzzer.

Milton captain Jordan Gleed notched the game's only goal mid-way through the second, tucking in his own rebound. Assisting was teammate Geoffrey Strank.

Gleed, Strank and Connor Mitchell had a

number of big scoring chances through the final period, but were stoned by strong Ancaster net-minding. At the other end of the ice, Greg Robertson worked a flawless game between the Milton pipes. He received key defensive assistance from Brian Evans and Jacob DeMarsh.

**Milton's game MVP: Geoffrey Strank**

#### Streetsville Tigers 5, Milton 1

The Winterhawks ran into a powerhouse squad in Streetsville for game two. While breaking their shutout mid-way through the final frame, Milton headed into the third with little hope for a win after a four-goal explosion by the Tigers in the second. Robertson was peppered with shots the entire game, but managed to stonewall the opposition in the third. Counting Milton's goal was Strank, assisted by Mitchell.

**Milton's game MVP: Jordan Gleed**

### MINOR NOVICE

#### Milton 2, Flamborough Sabres 1

The Winterhawks fought their way back from

a 1-0 deficit with big penalty killing and a stellar defensive effort — anchored by Kevin Parker and Jeffrey Kitchen.

Up front, David Dimeo evened things up early in the third with a shot through the Flamborough goalie's legs. Setting up the play was captain Matthew Chuchmach.

From there, the 'Hawks kept the pressure on until Scott Collard shanked a behind-the-net shot off a Sabre defenseman's leg and in for the game winner with less than five minutes on the clock. Milton came close to adding another with the man-advantage in the last two minutes but had to settle for a one-goal triumph. Working a strong game in net for the victors was James Connor.

**Milton's game MVP: Elgin Reid**

#### Milton 1, Meadowvale Mohawks 1

The local crew held the lead until the dying seconds of the third, when goalie Carl Chan — who had made a huge diving save just minutes before — narrowly missed a low shot in the right side. Meadowvale's goal followed a near-miss by Reid, who rang one off the crossbar.

Alexander Berndt scored Milton's goal in the second on a huge one-man effort.

**Milton's game MVP: Alexander Berndt**

### MAJOR NOVICE

#### Milton 3, North York Nordiques 1

It was a big showing against some solid MTHL opposition. Cory Clarkson turned in stellar goaltending, missing only a big upstairs wristshot in the third.

Steve Ellison and Evan Burrell found the back of the net in the second to give their team the lead. After North York's goal, Robbie Wilson decided to give his club a little insurance down the stretch and added a third goal in the final five minutes.

Drawing a pair of assists was set-up man Daniel Lynch while Burrell picked up a helper on Ellison's tally. Also turning in key efforts were Matt Lenardon, Jamie Webb and Corey Mastrangelo.

**Milton's game MVP: Steve Ellison.**

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