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Junior Drury wrestling starts

The Junior Dynamo Wrestling program begins its 1996 season this evening (Wednesday) from 6 to 8 p.m. in the E.C. Drury wrestling room.

The junior program is for boys from grades five to eight, with weekly sessions involving individual coaching by the Drury coaching staff, alumni and senior wrestlers.

There will be weekly scrimmages plus the opportunity for tournament competition later in the season. Last year was the best ever for the junior program, with medals earned at the provincial and Eastern Canadian level.

Registration for the program is \$10 for 12 weeks of training. Boys may register at the mats, this week or next prior to practice. For further information, contact Larry Jaroslowski at 878-0575 or Simon Vanellis at 878-3588.

Atoms take flight as they ride unbeaten streak

Rep Hockey

The Wallace Pontiac minor atom AA Winterhawks began the season like chicks in a nest but have matured steadily, and are now taking flight. After starting the season 3-10-1, the 'Hawks have soared, going 6-2-4 over their next 12 games, including a current eight-game unbeaten stretch.

Milton has showed great discipline, as reflected in their defensive play. The goaltending tandem of Dan Djmeo and Rory Johnston have stepped things up and allowed just seven goals against in the past six games, including recent back-to-back shutouts over Brampton (4-0) and Chinguacousy (5-0).

In the Ching game, solid blueline work by Brett Lewis, Andrew Claessens, Ian Robertson and Taylor Coulombe restricted the opposition to just two shots all night. Coulombe also scored two goals, one shorthanded, on a quick stint on the forward lines. Brett Turner, also a regular defenseman, has spent some time up front as a fill in and scored in the earlier Brampton game.

Other highlights of the 'Hawks recent success include a 2-2 tie and 3-1 victory over first-place Orangeville, only the third loss of the season for the Orangemen. Goal scorers over the two games were Ian Kornack with three and Robertson and Derek Blanchard with singles.

Close but no cigar

The Action Utility Trailers major novice AA Winterhawks couldn't come up with a second goal, so they had to settle for second best in recent league play against Burlington.

Milton did just about everything but score the tying marker in a close-

knit 2-1 decision for the visitors. They fired 25 shots at the opposing net, including 14 in the third period compared with three for Burlington.

The line of Robbie Wilson, Daniel Lynch and Nathan Keith showed great offensive hockey while Jackson Gair and Mark Galick were superb on defense.

Evan Burrell tied the game at 1-1 midway through the second period, but Burlington answered back quickly to regain the lead. The Milton squad skated hard and created some big chances in the final frame but just couldn't slip another one through the pipes. Working the net for the 'Hawks for Cory Clarkson,

Win, loss and tie for Legion

The Royal Canadian Legion minor novice AA Winterhawks didn't take much time off after their holiday Beaver Tournament, jumping right back into league action with three games in three days last week.

Milton rang in the new year by blanking Georgetown Raiders 4-0. Carl Chan earned the shutout in this road victory, with Alexander Berndt firing in a pair in the first period.

Adding third-period goals were Kevin Parker and Elgin Reid, who also assisted on Berndt's opening tally. Drawing other helpers were Robbie Hunt, Matt Chuchmach and Chris Pedulla.

The following day the 'Hawks came up short at home in a 2-0 loss to the first-place Oakville Rangers,

who scored late in the first and early in the third. Turning in a solid effort in goal was James Connor.

The local crew ended the week off with a hard-fought 3-3 tie at home against Orangeville, with Chan working the net. Milton held the final lead of the game with their third goal a minute and 41 seconds into the final frame. It was short-lived as the Orangemen evened things a mere 16 seconds later.

Defenceman Jeff Kitchen tallied twice for the 'Hawks and Scott Collard chipped in with a single. Assists went to Collard, Nathan Grenke and Shannon Miller.

Minor peewees make good run

The Halton Hurricane minor peewees took on the role of giant-killers at the Don Mills Flyers Tournament, knocking off a pair of top teams before bowing in the quarterfinals.

Their biggest showing came in their last round-robin game, when they blew past the powerhouse Rochester Americans 4-0 to wrestle the final playoff spot away from the

Toronto Young Nats.

Rochester came out strongly but could not keep up with the pace Halton set. Netminder Ryan Larose was flawless between the pipes, stopping all 26 shots fired his way.

Halton capitalized on early first period chances, with Frank Fazio and Evan Jeans finding the goal. Adam Laskis and Ryan Emilio also scored through the late stages of the game.

The win followed a tough 4-1 loss to the host Flyers, who received stellar goaltending. Jeans notched his team's lone goal early in the second. Despite the three-goal difference, Halton held the edge in play, outshooting Don Mills 28-16.

They doubled the hot MTHL Mississauga Rebels 6-3 in their opening game, thanks largely to a two-goal effort by Fazio. Counting the others were Jeans, Emilio, Laskis and Brendon Valente while blueline partners Trevor Kristiansen and T.J. Monaghan set the tone with big hits at both ends of the ice.

A tired 'Canes crew couldn't keep up their pace in the quarterfinals and bowed out to the high-flying Toronto Red Wings.

Russians are coming

Tickets are still available for Saturday night's international exhibition tilt between the Jr. A Milton Merchants and the touring Russian Central Red Army Junior A Club.

The contest, which begins at 8 p.m., is the final stop on the Russian squad's second annual tour through southern Ontario — and promises to be a barn burner as the Central Red Army has been virtually unbeatable against their Provincial Junior A and Mid-Western Junior B opponents. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at Active Ultra Haul, Knuckles Sportshop, Man's World or at Friday night's Merchant game against Hamilton.

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