

## Hammer and hustle

Brittany Lockwood (right) pounded a big hit in the Milton Sweetpeas victory over Glanbrook Saturday morning during the annual rookie ball and t-ball tournament Milton hosts. Meanwhile Cassandra Lockwood, (above) beat out an attempted tag by her larger Glanbrook opponent to safely make third base. Milton won 31-19.

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## At last, Mavericks dish it out in spades

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Special to The Champion

For the first time this season, the Milton Mavericks ended up on the winning end of a lopsided decision Sunday afternoon at Tonelli Arena, as they annihilated the visiting Gloucester Griffins

The win, Milton's fifth this season, snapped a four-game losing



streak and came on the heels of Friday's 16-4 bombing by the powerhouse Orillia Kings. The Mavericks have now escaped the West Division basement for the second time this

month and will be looking to stay out of it for good with just four games remaining in the regular lacrosse season.

"I wish we had had some of these type of games at the start of the season so we could have built up some confidence and momentum. Instead we played most of the top teams early on and got into a hole," said Mavericks skipper Jim Leworthy.

Leworthy cited a big goaltending effort from veteran Pat Dunn, who was flawless through the first two periods. Gloucester broke his shutout at the 5:38 mark of the third and added four more goals in the final 11 minutes.

Dunn's efforts helped Milton register their fewest goals against in a single game this year, while offensive stars Andrew Hartholt, Jimmy Leworthy Jr. and Graham Darling anchored their team to its biggest scoring parade of '96.

The trio figured in 12 of Milton's 16 goals, with Hartholt leading the scoring with four goals and three assists. Leworthy Jr. turned a hat trick and added five assists while Darling chalked up six assists to go along with a pair of goals.

Also scoring were Craig Hedley, Derek King, Adam • see MAVERICKS on page 20

Girls softball

## Teams fight fatigue to earn medals

Milton's girls of summer pulled off a nail-biting 5-4 extra-innings triumph hits herself. She received key defensive two of the local fastball teams — the Expedite Plus novices and the Lions Club bantams — took home medals from the London Tournament.

The Lions Club bantams earned themselves silver medals with an impressive 4record during the weekend showcase. In the championship match, Milton's offense was all but exhausted as they fell 9-2 to Erin Mills.

Enroute to the finals, the Lions roared their way to four big victories including a

double-dose of sweet victory recently, as against Amherstburg. In the end it was assistance from shortstop Amanda hero Michelle Gregory who hit a shot to deep left field to score Kelly Howse and win the game.

Milton followed up with three convincing wins against North London (4-2), Byron (5-2) and finally Niagara Falls (4-2) in the semifinal tilt. Pitching duo Gregory and Jennifer McManus allowed Niagara Falls just six hits and anchored their team's win to advance to the gold medal round.

Jennifer Lawrie worked a complete game against Byron and allowed just six

"Huffman and centrefielder Vicki White. Rightfielder Sherylene Leslie and firstbaseman Julie Leal shone in the field in game two to lead their club past North London.

The Expedite Plus novices meanwhile claimed the bronze medal with a huge run Sunday, including three straight victories to reach the semifinals.

After almost four straight hours, fatigue set in for Milton and they were dumped 9-

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