

Now or never? Then it's now for the determined Knuckles rep soccer crew

The Milton Magic under-14 boys were the premier soccer team in town this summer, particularly after finishing first overall in the South Region Soccer League's (SRS) Premier Division.

With both a strong start and finish to the season, the Knuckles Sports Shop-sponsored crew completed the year with a remarkable 12-2-1 record for a one-point margin of victory over runner-up Dixie.

Milton's championship season had been four years in the making, as the same group of boys began playing together as under-11 year-olds with coaches Barrie Abraham and Steve Griffin.

While at first their potential clearly outweighed their success, the boys gradually

showed improvement that season and started pushing a number of the stronger teams.

Their climb to the top continued over the next two seasons, and included second and third place finishes in league play and strong showings at numerous tournaments — including back-to-back championship wins at the Milton Friendship Tournament.

With 1996 being the last year before the league's January 1 cutoff dates kicked in, the boys realized if they were going to win together it was now or never. They decided it would be now.

Despite their impressive play all season, the Magic only locked up the division title in their final game against Welland, thanks to ongoing challenges by Dixie and Erin

Mills, who gave Milton their only league losses this season.

Needing a win or a tie to secure a first-place finish, Milton's Martin Colyer erased a 2-1 Welland lead in the final 30 seconds of the game to give his team the league trophy. Teammate Peter Cannataro had put his side on top 1-0 in the first half with a well-placed penalty kick.

A tough 3-2 loss to Dixie in their final meeting of the season forced Milton to win their second-last game against Erin Mills and then come away with at least one more point against Welland to win the title.

Making up this year's championship squad were Terry Abraham, Peter Cannataro, Colin Canning, Chris Casa, Jason Catunto, Martin Colyer, Alastair Cook, Keith Dunn, Kyle Grant, Petar Jokic, David Komack, Onel Martino, Ron Massey, Craig Oliveira, Ian Robinson, Ryan Taylor, Quinn Young and Lucas Zampieri.

The boys will finish their 1996 season next month at a tournament in Virginia Beach on the U.S. Thanksgiving weekend.

Butler bags big prize in demolition derby at fair

First time driver Elgin Butler drove his number 91 Chevrolet Malibu to victory, beating 49 other entrants, at the Sunday afternoon Milton Fall Fair Demolition Derby.

Piloting the car that Beano Clause wheeled to the championship at the Caledonia Fair the night before, Butler, from Ohsweken, beat out five other heat winners to claim the \$545 winner's purse.

Second place went to Acton veteran Mike Pickett.

The other heat winners were Marilyn Nolan, Chris Stokes, Ray Venerus, Dwayne Nerbonne and Cam Pauley. Pauley, who forfeited his position to allow

Butler into the final, also won the Sportsman Award. The fans voted the number 92 Bee Car of Glen Botting the Most Outrageous Car for the second year in a row.

A standing room only crowd filled the Milton Fairgrounds despite temperatures that turned cool and showers that began just before event time.

The show which had posted awards of over \$1,450, also featured a special heat for four cylinder compact cars for the first time. Beating out eight other entrants, Cathy Lloyd was the \$100 winner, with Shawn Howard taking the \$50 second place prize.

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