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**Friday May 2nd**  
**MILTON MAVERICKS JUNIOR A LACROSSE**  
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## Mavericks show some early grit

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The hard-fought win was the home team's second straight of their young 1997 season. Having bombed the Georgetown Bulldogs 17-8 Friday night, the Mavericks seem destined to improve on last year's 7-15 showing.

"We'll be up there this season. Our second line is stronger than it was last year and by and large we've got more speed," said head coach Jim Leworthy. "I thought we showed a lot of character in winning today's (Sunday) game, after coming undone late in the third."

### Milton Mavericks



Former Oakville midget goaltender Kevin Eansor came unglued in the third period Sunday, allowing seven goals, including the equalizer in the final eight seconds. Prior to this, Akwesasne needed two periods to register that same output.

Milton broke out to an early 5-2 lead in the opening frame before being outscored 5-3 in the second. Akwesasne's big line of Scotty Thompson, Floyd Thomas, Lance Mitchell and Josh Jacobs provided nearly all of the offence with 12 goals.

The Cornwall-area crew have just three players back from last year's team and are running with about a dozen midget age recruits.

Leading the charge for the home side was star sophomore Jimmy Leworthy Jr., who ranked five goals and assisted on two others. Counting six assists each were Ian Parker and captain Andrew Hartholt — who also scored in the second.

Early on it was second and third liners Brent Moyer, Donald Perry and Paul Wade who provided goals, as well as local rookie Cory Leigh. Brad Moyer notched Milton's final regulation time goal while Craig Hedley made a nice steal on a late Akwesasne powerplay and rushed in for a shorthanded tally.

Also contributing to the win was veteran junior

Shawn Bomberry. Acquired from Six Nations last week, the 19-year-old scored twice and helped set-up Darling's overtime winner.

Hartholt wreaked havoc on Bulldog cage guarder Brandon Miller Friday, unloading with six goals and figuring in on four more in Milton's nine-point margin of victory. They scored early and often against Georgetown, a hollow shell of last year's Commissioner's Cup championship team.

Defensive specialist Andrew Craig provided the only bright spot in the Bulldogs' performance as he held Hartholt to a single goal in the final frame. First-year coach Ken Webster would be well-advised to use his 18-year-old veteran as Hartholt's fulltime shadow next Saturday, May 10 when the two teams battle at Alcott Arena.

Ryan Bigler, Georgetown's only returning star, led a meager attack with two goals and an assist. Scoring twice for Milton were Leworthy Jr. and Darling, who combined for seven assists. Hedley, Parker, Bomberry, Leigh, Wade, Brad Moyer and Darryl Brown added singles. Brent Moyer drew two assists.

A more complete effort saw the Mavericks open the floodgates early in the third, with three straight Bulldog goals, but quickly close them again down the stretch.

Sensing defeat somewhat early, the visitors chose to beat Milton with their fists where they couldn't on the scoreboard. Each team was short a full line by the end of the night. Already devoid of much talent, Georgetown's aggressiveness hurt no one but themselves.

Joe Camilleri, who took the entire 1996 season off, was rock solid in Milton's net and held the opposition to three goals in the first two periods.

**Maverick notes:** Milton enjoyed a strong fan base at Friday's home opener, with many Milton District High School students out to see their cheerleading squad, who performed during the first intermission. Milton travels to Guelph Thursday and hosts the Clarington (formerly Oshawa) Green Gaels Friday at 8 p.m.

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