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Invitationals host 544 skaters



Thirteen-year-old Greg Irwin of Goodwood receives the beautiful Foxbridge Corporation Trophy after his first place finish in the Pre-Juvenile Men's Class at the Uxbridge Invitational Saturday. Robyn Harris, representing the Foxbridge firm, made the presentation.



Thirteen-year-old Andrea Boyd, Booth Drive, Stouffville, won a silver medal placing second in Pre-Juvenile H. Ladies. The presentation of her award was made by Michelle Woods of Woods Lumber Ltd., Uxbridge.

Jim Thomas

Area entries do well in tough competition

A record 544 skating positions were filled at the 9th annual Uxbridge Invitational held Jan. 29, 30 and 31 at the Uxbridge Arena.

Participants came from as far distant as Ottawa and London. The Invitational Committee was headed by Geraldine Morris.

son. Her assistant was Charlotte Hemington. The secretary was Josie Bunker with Carol Reaman and Lois Clarke in charge of registration. The Club President is Linda Austin.

"It was our biggest year," Pat Cade, Inter-Club Chairperson told The Tribune.

She praised the co-operation of all committee members and the success of Uxbridge skaters. The competition was carried out with clock-work precision with Sunday's final actually finishing ahead of time. Uxbridge results follow:

Luke Austin, Pre-Novice Compulsory Free-Skate Final, (1st); Troy McCullum, Pre-Novice Compulsory Free-Skate Final (2nd); Sandra Cassie and Chuck Reaman, Jr. Dance Final, (1st); Greg Irwin, Pre-Juvenile Men's Free-Skate Final, (1st); Tiffani Foster, Pre-Preliminary Ladies Final, (2nd); Timothy Bunker, Pre-Novice Men's Free-Skate Final, (3rd); Lee-Anne Pilkington, Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free-Skate, (3rd); Krista Elliot, Pre-Novice Ladies Free-Skate, (1st); Angela Dowson, Pre-Novice Ladies Free-Skate, (2nd); Lee-Anne Pilkington, Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free-Skate, (1st); Teresa Clarke, Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free-Skate, (2nd); Tiffani Foster, Pre-Preliminary Ladies Free-Skate, (1st); Angela Sullivan, Preliminary Ladies Free-Skate, (2nd); Denise Taylor, Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free-Skate, (3rd); Stephanie Baker, Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free-Skate, (3rd).

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NOVICE

Standard 6 - Mario's Fane 4
Standard - Barry Kowal (3) Tyler Armstrong Jessie Wood Scott

Eyre Mario's Tim McKinley (2) Shawn Fisher Peter Madley

Boyd's Sports 5 - Scarborough Canvas 3

Boyd's Adam Foley (5) Scarborough Kevin Hackert (2) Ryan

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Beckers 4 - McNeil Pharmaceutical 3

Beckers Robbie Spytz (2) Daniel Tardella Michael Payne

McNeil Shawn Carruthers (2) Jason Prentice

Schell Lumber 2 - Hathaway 1

Schell Brent Tews (2) Hathaway Joshua Beyak

ATOM

Canadian Tire 6 - Farmer Jack's 4
Canadian Tire Don Patten Joe King Mike Underwood Brad

Goode David Ritchie Ian Simms Farmer Jack's Mike Boyd (2)

David Bell Steve Wilcox

Fashion Label 5 - Giles Chev Olds 3

Fashion Label Graham Crowder (2) John Wooldy Jeremy

Brown Tommy Hammond Chris Lightfoot (2) Mark

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PEEWEE

Cedar Beach 5 - Custom Ready Mix 5

Cedar Beach Daryl McMann (3) Jason Maye (2) Custom Kevin

Sutton (2) Derek Harrison (2) Glen Hathaway

Custom Ready Mix 2 - Betz Pools 2

Custom Lincoln Kerswell Kevin Sutton Betz Pools Joe Nucci

Kevin Cargill

BANTAM

Petro Canada 8 - Stouffville Fire Fighters 1

Petro Rob Parcells (2) Brian Fockler (2) Bradley Poole (2) Jamie

Collins (2) Fire Fighters Jeff Byer

Barry Welding 2 - Petro Canada 2

Barry Welding Rob Mountjoy (2) Clayton King Rob Mandell

Eric Jensen Petro Brian Fockler Rob Parcells

Port Perry jinx haunts Stouffville Midgets

By BRUCE STAPLEY
The Stouffville Midget Clippers are fast running out of chances to beat Port Perry this season.

Winless against the Port squad all season, the Clippers bowed to their nemesis once again 7-4 in the first game of the post season play-off round-robin at the Rec. Centre Friday.

For much of the game, it appeared as if the Beckers Clippers doubled their abilities to hold

their own against the bigger, highly-talented Port Perry club. They fell behind 2-0 in the first period, and appeared cautious and more than a little tentative.

However, an offensive display by hard-nosed, rearguard Aaron McWilliams put them back in the game. He made it 2-1 when he took a pass from Jason Underwood at the blueline, walked in 15 feet, then blasted a laser-like slap shot that completely eluded goalie Brad Bricknell.

Minutes later, McWilliams combined with Clipper forward Dan Larmer, with Larmer breaking in alone and lifting a wrist shot that found the top of the net. Both goals were on power plays, as the Port Perry team proved tough to beat at even strength.

Bricknell robbed Clippers' Kent Smythe on a short-handed break-away five minutes into the second period, making a brilliant glove save on the flashy forward. The tall netminder would demonstrate his impressive abilities several more times as the game wore on.

Claire Cornish put the visitors ahead 3-2 with his second goal of

the night, as they seemed to regain their edge in the second frame.

In the third it was wild and wooly, as the Clippers tried to reaffirm their reputation as a strong third place club. But a series of untimely giveaways in their own end would kill them, as they were unable to follow up sudden offensive breaks with solid defense.

Brad Menzies put Port up 4-2, but Kent Smythe brought Stouffville back within one less than a minute later on a nice set up from brother Kirk. Nineteen seconds later, Warren Geer took advantage of the suspect Clippers' defense, making it 5-3.

Stouffville went back to work, showing great character. Darren Baston one timed a long rebound, slapping it into the right side from 25 feet to cut the Port Perry lead to one. But another giveaway resulted in the 'killer', as Steve Connors restored the two-goal bulge. Todd Taylor's tally into an empty Stouffville cage put the icing on the cake.

The Clippers get one more crack at Port Perry in the round-robin, February 8 in Port Perry.

Last call!

Softball season is fast approaching. Don't get caught looking. Sign up with the Whitchurch-Stouffville Softball Association Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Stouffville Recreation Centre. This will be the last opportunity to register for the season. For more information call Ray Van Kerkhoven 414-540-

Stouffville skaters

Win medals

Ten Stouffville figure skaters participated in the 9th annual Uxbridge Invitational last weekend. Results follow:

Michael Pride, Introductory Men's Final (5th); Andrea Boyd, Pre-Juvenile H. Ladies (2nd in Flight); Michelle Olszevski, Pre-Juvenile H. Ladies (7th in Flight); Leigh Frederick, Juvenile B. Ladies (7th in Flight); Leslie Penny, Juvenile C. Ladies (4th in Flight); Lee-Anne Hamilton, Juvenile D. Ladies (4th in Flight); Jaimie Jeffrey, Pre-Novice G. Ladies (4th in Flight); Elizabeth Davia, Pre-Novice E. Ladies (3rd in Flight); Brenda Hatchey, Sr. Ladies Final (6th).

Diamond time

There will be a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 3, at the Recreation Centre for members of the Stouffville Community Ball organization.

Sign up!

Goodwood softball registration takes place at the Community Centre on the following dates: Tues. Feb. 23, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; Sat. Feb. 27, from 9 to 11 a.m.; and March 1, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For further information call 640-3801.

Atoms' Geoff Smith scores in final minute

By BLAINE KANEKO
Before the game at the Recreation Centre Wednesday, no one knew Geoff Smith had a flair for drama. After the contest, Geoff was more popular than Shakespeare.

With a flick of the wrist, and only 36 seconds remaining, Geoff moved the Atom 'Clippers', a stride closer to reaching the best-of-seven division finals.

A tie was looming large, when the smooth-skating defenceman

sailed wide down the left wing and flipped the puck towards the net. Cobourg goalie Jay Barkhouse appeared to misplay the shot. It ricocheted off his pads and across the line, giving the Clippers a 2-1 victory. Just as important, it gave them game one of the three-team round robin preliminary.

"I was just trying to get the puck out in front," said Geoff. "I think it hit a defenceman and went in."

"It was a tough game, anyone's game," said Clipper co-coach Don Reesor. "That's the way with that team. Cobourg's a good club. The game could just as easily gone the other way. We were fortunate."

Fortunately is right. The Clippers began the first period as if the frigid air outside the arena had settled in their legs. Cobourg dominated the early play by skating and forechecking the Stouffville team into confusion. Luckily, for the Clippers, goalie Greg Sanford bore the brunt of the Cobourg attack until his team could shake the chill of pre-game jitters and survive the period scoreless. They were outshot 6-2.

The second period featured a totally different Stouffville team. From a scramble in front of the Cobourg goal, Ryan Jefferson batted the puck into the net giving the Clippers the lead after only 11 seconds. Assists went to Philip Priddy and Stan Morrison.

Throughout the period, Stouffville had plenty of scoring chances, with Smith missing on a break-away and Lindsey Haylow firing a shot just wide of the target. Outstanding netminding by Cobourg goalie Colter Fennessey, kept the score 1-0 going into the third period.

Because of a holding penalty at the 10:26 mark of the third, Cobourg took advantage of the extra-man situation and scored only 17 seconds into the Stouffville penalty tying the game at 1-1. With less than a minute to go, Smith, in dramatic fashion, rushed down the wing and fumbled the shot off the Cobourg goalie for the win.

"It was an excellent game," coach Reesor said. "It was a total effort from all our players. That's what it takes."

