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Stouffville honors top sports people

Three individuals, team recognized

By BRUCE STAPLEY
Three individuals and one team were honored at a ceremony, Feb. 22, at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Recreation Centre.
Mayor Fran Sainsbury presented engraved Town medallions to the following:
Gwyn Rooke, R.R. 4, Stouffville, was manager of the Canadian Dressage Team that won a bronze medal in Olympic competition at Seoul, Korea.
Mark Ludbrook, R.R. 3, Stouffville, broke two Canadian records as a member of the Canadian Team in the Para-

Amputee Olympics also in Seoul, Korea. He shattered previous marks in the 100-meter butterfly and the 100-meter free-style. He was fifth in the world.
Martin Johannessen, R.R. 2, Stouffville, has held almost every conceivable position within the Whitchurch-Stouffville Soccer Club, including manager of the champion Royals. Johannessen is now the Director of Player Development in the York Region Soccer Association.
The Vandorf Jr. Softball Team was recognized for win-

ing the All-Ontario Title in 1988. Team members are: Darrin Medley, Greg Helm, Mike Roberts, Jordan Toole, Iain Rippoch, Greg Faccis, Brian Popovich, Ali Reza, Sean McQuigge, Kevin Carlisle, Fraser Cameron, Martin Harding, Curtis Munro and Kirk Tomlinson. The coach is John Kemp. The manager is Carl Myers and the assistant manager, Mary Myers.
Along with Mayor Sainsbury, other participants in the ceremony were Town Recreation Program Director Peter Arnold and Ward 4 Councillor Wayne Emmerson.



Martin Johannessen is presented his award for outstanding contribution to sport in Whitchurch-Stouffville by Mayor Fran Sainsbury in a ceremony last weekend. Three individuals and a team were honored for efforts made in the past year in the community and abroad.

Uxbridge Bruins are 1989 Cinderella story

By BRUCE STAPLEY

The Uxbridge Bruins are indeed the Cinderella team of the current hockey season.
In a must-win situation, Friday, the Jr. 'C' squad doubled the score on Port Perry with a 6-3 victory. This earned them the eighth and final playoff spot.
In an amazing come-back, the Bruins rolled up a streak of nine wins in 10 games. They overcame a 10-point deficit to edge out Cobourg by one point.
John Long sparked the Uxbridge attack. He notched the insurance marker on a powerplay to make it 5-3 with six minutes and 19 seconds to go. The high-scoring sniper put the icing on the cake firing the club's sixth tally with 42 seconds left.
Uxbridge jumped into a 3-1 first period lead on goals by Derek Lee, Steve Christie and Paul Sinclair.

John Steeves made it 4-1 early in the middle frame with Sinclair picking up an assist.
The Scugog squad rallied with two tallies, one a shorthanded goal and another on a powerplay.
The third period was a wild and woolly affair with several fights erupting in a tension-filled frame.
The turning point came with Uxbridge playing two men short for over a minute and the score standing at 4-3 in their favor. The Bruins held the fort. Minutes later, Long notched the clincher.
"They started taking the game away from us in the last half," said Bruins coach Hal Murphy. "It was then a case of 'dumping the puck' in and forechecking." When we had the powerplay chance, we cashed in."
The game was played before a standing room-only crowd at the Uxbridge Arena.



JOHN LONG Sparked attack



PAUL SINCLAIR Tallied one

Spartans bow out

Stouffville District Secondary School's Junior Spartans have bowed out of playoff action.
Despite the fact they held on for three quarters, they faded in the final 15 minutes and were outscored by Holy Cross 21-8.
Going into the final quarter, Stouffville trailed their rivals 35-37. Then the roof caved in.
Stouffville coach Dave Connell knew the end was near when Travis White of the Spartans fouled out of the game.
"Travis was guarding their big shooter," explained Connell. "Once he was out, there was no one left to cover the guy. He scored a lot of points."
Connell admitted his team's chances of advancing in the playoffs were slim.
"Coming in, we knew it would be hard to win. But the guys were anxious to play. They tried hard," he said.
The Spartans trailed 16-10 after the first quarter and actually led at one point in the second. The first half ended 24-22 for Holy Cross.
Kevin Harmer was Stouffville's top scorer. He hit for 21 points. Mike Greathead had seven; Travis White, six and Cam Harden, five.
"We were inconsistent in our foul shooting," said Connell, pointing to the fact the Spartans were only six for 15 in this department.
"This was a problem through much of the season," he noted.
However, win or lose, Coach Connell was satisfied.

Midgets edged at York final

With only nine seconds to go in the York Region Midget High School basketball final Saturday, the Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans had a three-point lead — and the ball.
But suddenly the opponents had possession, followed by a three-point basket. A 9-3 edge in the ensuing three-minute overtime period gave Langstaff a 58-55 win and the York championship.
The regional finals played at King City, came on the heels of the Spartans' 62-45 victory over Woodbridge Wednesday, and their 56-33 win over St. Elizabeth Thursday in the semi-finals.
Danny Wilson was the leading Spartan scorer in Saturday's heart-breaker loss, with 16 points.
Des Hartai had 14 points. Derek Sheahan nine, Jason Hollin seven and Jason Cowan six.
The Spartans will participate in the Durham-York finals this weekend.



Goalie Jason Brown logged his ninth shutout of the season in a playoff game against Port Perry last Friday, bringing his team closer to the league championship. The lone goal score din the 1-0 victory was potted by Ryan King, at left. On Sunday, the Stouffville Novices raced ahead of the opposition to earn a 3-2 win, and a clear view of the championship title.

Stouffville Novices

Clippers nearing league title

Ryan King provided all the offence and Jason Brown racked up yet another shutout as the Stouffville Novice Clippers took game one of their league championship series 1-0 against Port Perry at the Recreation Centre, Friday night.
King, the team's leading sniper, broke a scoreless deadlock with only five minutes to go in the third period to give the Clippers the victory.
King came in on a breakaway, deked the Port Perry goalie, then tucked it in.
Brown, while not tested often, held his ground when called upon to earn his ninth shutout of the season.
The game was a fast-paced affair with few whistles and few good scoring opportunities, although Clippers' coach Dave Turner felt his team had carried the play.
"I think we outplayed them," he said. "We had more chances and we were playing with only two lines tonight."
The best-of-five final continued in Port Perry Sunday, with the Clippers prevailing 3-2 in overtime.
Robbie Spytz scored the winner, while Shawn Carruthers notched both Clippers' regulation time goals.
The series continues in Port Perry on Friday.
The Clippers can wrap things up with another win.

Last chance to register for softball

This Saturday, (March 2), is the final registration date for the 1989 Goodwood Minor Softball Association season.
The location is the Goodwood Community Centre.
Registration time is 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Entries will again participate in the Whitchurch-Stouffville League.
For additional information call Ellen Martyn at 640-3801.

Lions skinned 16-4 in Novice action

Mario's trounced Stouffville Lions 16-4 last week in Novice play in the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey League.
Adam Jaque notched five goals for Mario's. Brad Clubine four, Eric Harper three and Blair Cain two. Everett Wilcox and Sean Tucker with one each rounded out the scoring.
Lions goals came from Brent Meyer with three and a single by Sean Davis.
Newtonbrook Block logged a one-sided 12-5 score over Boyd Sports. Ryan Jackson led Newtonbrook with six goals, while Jack Mierewski scored five. Andre Kassermelli had the other Newtonbrook marker. Richard Cho-Chong scored three, Boyd goals and Mike Taylor the other two.
Conlin Motors blanked Fashion Label 8-0. Stephan Menard led the Conlin squad with four goals, while Stefan Dickinson, Chris McDonald, Nigel Griffin and Carter Hayden notched one apiece.
Led by Thomas Hawkins with four goals, Standard Aggregates defeated Becker's 6-1. Singles were scored by Jesse Demone and Lisa Johnson. Becker's sole marker came from Jamie Vesterfeldt.
Giles edged Scarborough Canvas 4-3. Michael Hanna scored the hat trick for Giles, and the single came from Kevin Potts. Rob Tilley scored all three Scarborough Canvas goals.
Canadian Tire defeated McNeil 6-4. Travis Geldhart and Shawn Caramanico each scored two goals for Canadian Tire, and Chris Howland and Tyler Markle had one apiece. Justin Kerswill led the McNeil scoring with two, and Carman Puciello and Derek Emmerson had singles.
Lions defeated Farmer Jack's 5-3. Colin Thompson had three goals for Lions and Robert Lewis and Jason Parsons had one each. Brad Miller scored all three Farmer Jack's goals. Gallo defeated Hathaways 4-2 with Daniel Rumeo scoring all four Gallo markers. Johnathan Harmanson notched both Harhaway goals.
In Atom play, Custom defeated Cedar Beach 7-2. Chris Lightfoot scored three goals for Custom and Shawn Boyd had two. Singles came from Bryan Mallinson and Reese Stanway. Brandon Abrahams and Billy Define scored the Cedar Beach goals. Co-op edged Betz Pools 2-1. Don Patten and Brent Tew scored Co-op's markers while Mart Kennie scored for Betz.

SDSS Seniors off to DYSSA final

It's off to the Durham-York championships for the Stouffville District Secondary School Senior Girls volleyball team.
The girls picked up where the Senior boys team left off last fall, taking the York title Wednesday at the high school. They took matches against Richmond Hill, then Woodbridge, to capture the crown.
"They had the talent to do it," said coach Cathie Croucher afterwards. "It was a matter of keeping their heads together and using their talent."
Croucher insisted it was a team victory that brought them the title, refusing to single out individuals. "They played well. It was a team effort."
She did, however, commend middle hitter Deb Chilvers for playing despite the fact she wasn't feeling up to scratch. "She wasn't supposed to play. But she did and it was important because she added stability in that the girls didn't have to get used to someone new in her position."
The Durham-York, or DYSSA, championships will be held at Cannington tomorrow (Thursday).