

Sports



A mad scramble for the puck

Whitby Blades player Gary Kitamura (left), and Stouffville Clippers' captain Ryan Fontanna (centre) converge on the puck which Fontanna's teammate has trapped at his feet during first-round action in the Whitburcy-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association Major Peewee Hockey Tournament at the Rec Centre on Friday.

Photo/SJOERD WITTEVEEN

Major novices Clippers stake claim to Bolton consolation title

Joshua Spang scored in double overtime to give the Neil and Ken Patrick major novice Clippers a 2-1 win over Oakville in the consolation championship of the recent Bolton Hockey Tournament.

The Clippers dropped their opener to Cobourg 7-4, placing them on the consolation side of the tournament.

But they responded by blanking Markham 4-0 to earn a spot in the finals. Also scoring for the Clippers in the three

games were: David Salvagna, two goals, one assist; Spang, two goals; Lee Maxwell, two goals, one assist; Brad Steckley, two assists; Justin Lyons, one goal, one assist; Richard Little, one goal, two assists; Cale Tanaka, one goal, one assist; Michael Lombardo, one goal, one assist; Luke Dawson, Ryan Thom and Cameron Mackenzie, one assist.

Jonathan Wonch and Len Spiteri played well defensively.

Spirit willing but unable to turn back 87's attack

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The Newmarket 87's overstayed their visit by 7-1/2 minutes when they came calling on the Stouffville Spirit Clippers Saturday at the Rec Centre.

That was how much time remained when the Ontario Hockey Association Provincial Junior A Hockey League Phillips Division leaders broke open a tight contest by scoring three times to skate off with a 6-2 win.

The Spirit had come back from a one-goal deficit in both the first and second periods and were looking to repeat the feat when the 87's erupted.

"We were playing pretty well,"

said Spirit general manager Wally Crowder of his team's effort.

"They had gone up but we kept coming back. We were starting to press for the tying goal, and they just got a few quick ones."

George Trifon counted his 15th goal of the season for the Spirit in the opening period, with Mark Conrad clicking for the 10th time in the second frame.



STOUFFVILLE Spirit

The 87's league leading scorer Trent Walford picked up a goal and two assists as he continues his pursuit of a Canadian Junior points record.

The Spirit and 87's hook up again in Newmarket on Thursday, with the Lindsay Muskies coming to the Rec Centre for the second last home game of the season on Saturday.

Major peewees eliminated

The Aikens IDA major peewee Clippers were eliminated in their best-of-three Ontario Minor Hockey Association play-off series with Lindsay, losing the deciding game 2-0 last week in Lindsay.

The Clippers won the first game at the Rec Centre, but lost

the next two on the road.

In the deciding game, the Clippers kept the play in Lindsay's end for most of the first half but were victimized by a deflected slapshot midway through the game to trail 1-0. Lindsay added an empty net goal in the dying seconds of the contest.

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TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSES	TIES	PTS.	G.F.	G.A.
GREYFIELD CONSTRUCTION SHARKS	7	2	2	16	54	34
SHELL LUMBER CAPITALS	8	3	0	16	44	42
ROCKCLIFFE POOLS STARS	5	4	2	12	35	40
TIM HORTON PENGUINS	6	5	0	12	40	27
INSIDE OUT DECORATING KINGS	5	5	1	11	45	47
MONEY CONCEPTS JETS	4	6	1	9	36	40
AIRTRON INDUSTRIES BRUINS	3	7	1	7	27	36
LONE STAR BURGERS FLYERS	1	7	3	5	20	45