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Sports



He's not dogging it

Mark Sanders (foreground), takes after his Jack Russell, Josie, both of The Away Team during Saturday's Fly-ball competition at the Stouffville Country Market. Photo/STEVE SOMERVILLE

Minor novice Clippers March to tourney title

The Birkett Hassard minor novice Clippers went undefeated in four games to skate off with the championship hardware at their March Break tournament held at the Rec Centre.

But for the State Farm major novice Clippers, it was close but no cigar as they narrowly missed advancing to the



semi-finals. The Birkett Hassard outfit started off slowly with a 3-3 tie against Cedar Hill, then downed East Gwillimbury 4-2 in their second outing.

Facing elimination from the championship round, the Stouffville unit handed a strong West London team their first loss of the tourney by a 6-2 count.

The Clippers then defeated their Uxbridge rivals 5-2 to take the title.

Tournament MVP's for the Clippers were: Brandon Walker, Eric Gainsbrook, Chris Schell and Adam Craig.

In an exciting skills competition held during the tournament, Clippers goalie Jake Balsdon won best goalie honors, with team mates Luke Mabley and Walker winning the shooting category.

Clippers speedsters Taylor Campbell, Nick Jago, Luke Harrison and Schell took home the gold in the relay competition, with the Stouffville quartet of Chris Stewart, Chris Normandeau, Adam Thom and Steven Brown were a close second.

The State Farm squad jumped out to a fast start when they hung defeats of 5-4 and 6-4 on Oakville and Bradford respectively in their first two games.

But the Clippers suffered a disappointing 5-1 loss to Orillia, leaving them just one goal short of advancing to the semi-finals.

Shayne Paterson, Alexander Bruno, Brendon Laing, David DelZotto and Cash Nicastrò scored for the Clippers in game one. Paterson was MVP.

Mark Sullivan had the hat trick, with Kurtis Paisley, Brook Stachel and Laing adding singles, in the team's come from behind win over

Bradford in game two. Trevor Greenham was named game MVP.

Sullivan netted the lone Clippers score in game three, with Sullivan getting his team's MVP nod.

Assists in the three matches went to: Bruno, Nathaniel Martin (2), Sullivan (2), Stachel (2), Paisley, Mark D'Andrea, Paterson (4), DelZotto and Devon McDougall.

The championship went to West London, with Oakridge London taking the consolation game. Local businesses Angie's Eatery, Beekeepers Restaurant, Weston Produce, Stouffville IGA and Stouffville A & P donated lunches and pop to all tournament players.

MAJOR BANTAMS WRAP UP SEASON WITH GOLD AT LITTLE NHL TOURNAY

The Edwards Murphy major bantam Clippers called it a wrap for the season by copping the gold at the Little NHL Tournament in Welland over the March 15 weekend.

The Clippers swept their five games, with Ian McDougall netting a pair to earn the MVP honour in his team's 6-2 win over Cornwall in the title tilt.

Brett Jennings scored just seven seconds into the final, with other Clippers goals coming from P.J. Mabley, Brad Clubine and Tyler Armstrong. Brad Miller was string in the Stouffville net.

The Clippers edged Grimsby 3-2 in their opener. Jeremy Marshman earned a shutout and Clubine collected four goals in a 6-0 triumph over Valley east in game two.

The Clippers downed the LaSalle Sabres 4-1, then bounced the Copper Cliff Redmen 6-2 behind Mabley's hat trick to advance to the final.

Other Clippers scorers were: Markle (3), Clubine (3), Armstrong (3), Mabley (2) and Bronson Leger.

Assists for the tourney went to Jennings (5), Mabley (4), Brandon Bain, Markle (7), Armstrong (2), Joseph Lombardo (5), McDougall (2), Chad Kerswill, Clubine (3) and Leger (3).

Clubine and Mabley each picked up two game MVP awards.

Stars shine in qualifier

The A & S Construction Stars bantam 'A' girls hockey team is off to the provincial finals after prevailing over Durham West in a closely contested qualifier.



The Stars got goals from Sarah Ivany, Heather Allen and Candice Miller in a 3-1, come-from-behind opening game win in the four point set.

Stars goalie Jennifer Dupont was outstanding as the teams played to a 0-0 tie in game two at the Rec Centre.

Laura Johnston, Miller and Kari Sandiford were the scorers in a 3-1 Stars win in the third contest, giving them the series.

Assists in the three matches went to: Johnston (2), Stephanie Lee, Miller (2), Lindsay Reid, Jenn Imrie, Blair Wilkinson, Sarah Ivany and Candice Moxley.

The Stars then continued their winning ways by going all the way to the finals at the Leaside Tournament during the March Break, despite playing without four regulars.

The Stars recovered from a 3-1 opening game loss to the Marlies to blank the host club 4-0.

Gillian Apps had the lone Stars goal in the first game. Miller netted a pair in the win over Leaside, with singles going to Allen and Johnston.

Assists went to Alison Edward (2), Miller, Allen, Johnston, Lee, Julia Leamen, Moxley and Blair Wilkinson.

The Stars advanced to the finals with a 4-2 win over North York, with goals coming from Lee, Apps and Allen. Assists were earned by Edward, Sandiford, Lee and Theresa Ella.

In the finals the Stouffville girls were finally stopped 7-2 by the Marlies, with Stars goals coming off the sticks of Edward and Johnston.

Assists were picked up by Lee (2), Apps and Edward.

The Stouffville squad will travel to Mississauga for the provincial championships April 18-20.

Huleatt 19th at world snowboarding event

Amy Huleatt returned from the Junior World Snowboarding Championships in Ruka, Finland on Monday with a suitcase full of great memories and a solid performance behind her.

The 18-year-old Claremont resident, who was one of 32 Canadians to qualify for the world final competition, placed 19th out of 35 contestants in the 17-18 year old half pipe event. Her showing helped the Canadian team to the overall championship at the meet.

Huleatt became part of the Canadian squad after taking the gold at last year's Ontario Championships, then winning the open class at this year's provincial finals at Blue Mountain last month.

Huleatt, who will travel to Kelowna B.C. to compete in the national snowboarding championships later this month, said she was relatively pleased with her showing in Finland.

"We only had 20 minutes to warm up," she said. "I didn't think I could win it but I didn't want to be last either." It was lots of fun, and I met a lot of friends."

Huleatt has worked at the Pleasure Valley Ski Centre for five years, and is a snowboarding instructor at the Lakeridge Ski Resort.

Locals set to bowl

The Stouffville Bowling Centre is the venue for Sunday's Regional Round of the Ontario Five Pin Bowlers Association Holiday Classic.

Four teams are to take to the lanes for the event, which will see one advance to the provincial finals. The Stouffville quintet of Bill Hughes, Dean Tremaine, Mark Fockler, Wayne Keeler and Ron Smit will roll off against teams from Newmarket, Richmond Hill and Toronto. The action gets under way at 9 a.m.