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## Spartan girls serve up a storm on court

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Amanda Crowder was serving up a storm Wednesday at Milliken Mills S.S.

Crowder served up 24 points, including 10 in a row to start the first game, as the visiting Stouffville District S.S. Spartans senior girls volleyball team blitzed the host squad 15-1, 15-3.

The Spartans also swept Brother Andre C.H.S. in their second match to up their season record to 11 wins and just one defeat. That one loss came against Middlefield C.I. Monday.

The SDSS girls defeated Markham D.H.S. in Monday's other match.

Alison Crowder was also dominant for the Spartans in Wednesday's double sweep.

Lisa Swain was strong at the net, while Daniellé Timms anchored the victories with her capable setting.

Meanwhile the midget Spartans girls volleyball team forged a couple of solid victories over their Brother Andre and Milliken Mills opponents Wednesday.

"The team is steadily improving in all aspects of the game," praised midgets coach Sue LeRoy.

The midget Spartans hosted a tournament on Friday at the SDSS gym. The senior volleyballers played an exhibition match against the Stouffville Stingrays girls squad Thursday.

League play commences Feb. 16 after examinations. The seniors travel to King City S.S. for a tournament on Feb. 7.

### CAGERS DOWNED

In basketball action, the SDSS midget and junior teams both

found themselves outmanned in games played at home Tuesday against Father McGivney C.H.S. and Wednesday at Middlefield C.I.

The midget Spartans put forth a good showing at a tournament at King City H.S. last weekend, but still fell short in their three games played.

The SDSS squad led King City at half-time before losing 57-45. Ben Bellissimo led the Spartans charge with 17 points. Jeff Laird and Jason Davis also shone.

The Spartans managed their first 50-point game of the season in their defeat at the hands of Saint Andrews College. They also fell to Alexander MacKenzie S.S.

The midgets are to host their own four team mini-tournament Feb. 13.

Both Spartans hoops teams see league action again Feb. 10 after exams are completed.

## Spirit soar past Eagles

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It was the kid versus the all star Thursday at the Rec Centre.

And when the ice chips had settled Andrew Harper was awarded the decision as his stellar goalkeeping led the Spirit of Stouffville to a 4-1 win over the Bowmanville Eagles in front of a large and appreciative crowd.

Harper stopped all but one of the 33 shots the Eagles sent his way. His efforts in the first two periods kept the visitors from adding to a 1-0 lead.

"Andrew was unbelievable," raved Spirit head coach Dan Larmer of the 17-year-old Stouffville minor hockey product. "It's the best I've ever seen him play. If we didn't get the goalkeeping from him early on, we would have been way behind."

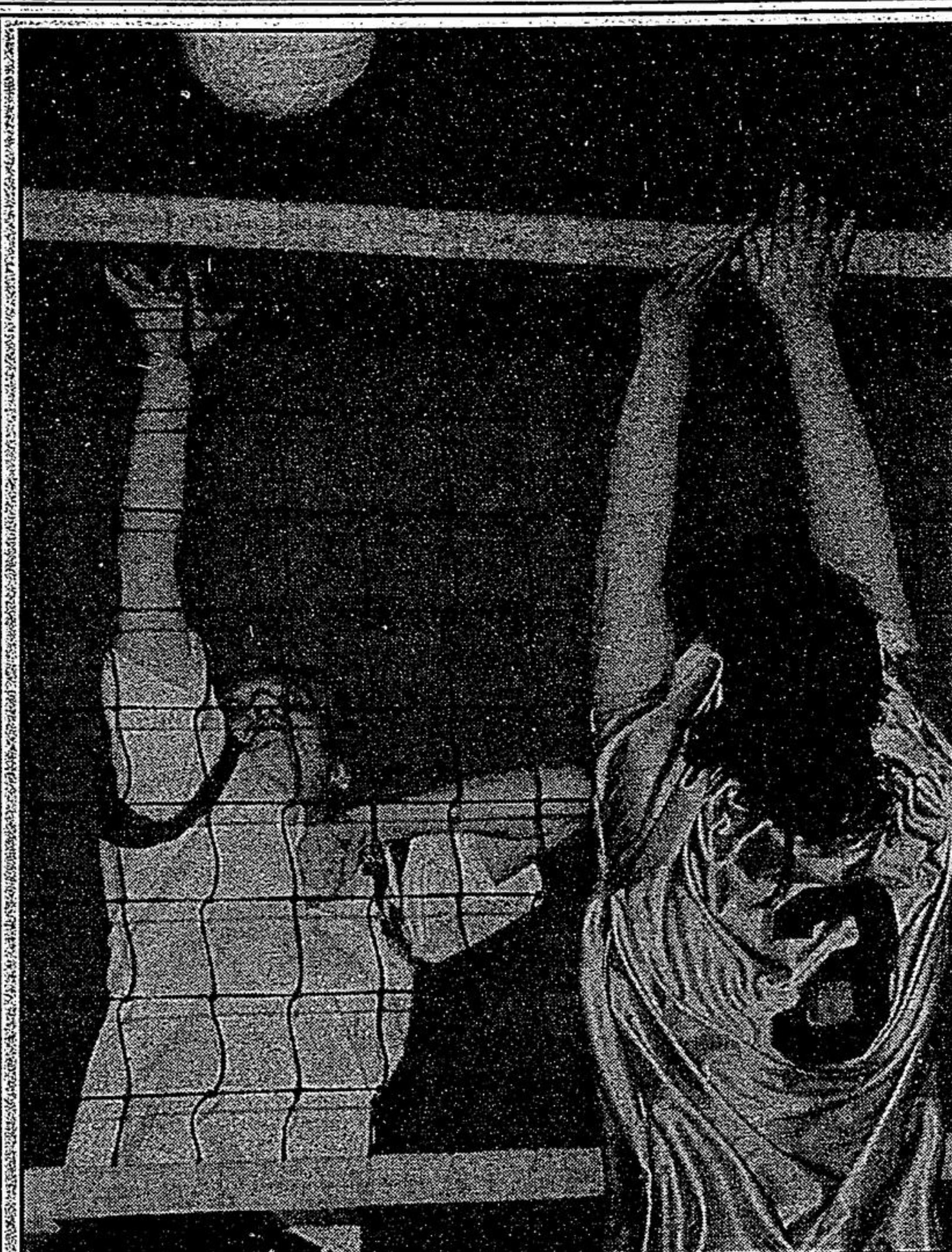
The Spirit offence finally began to take advantage of their scoring chances in the third period. Darcy King, Dave Zelasko and Geoff Keillor all scored to give the host squad a 3-1 lead. Keillor added his second of the night, and 18th of the year, into an empty Eagles net in the final minute. King, whose goal was his team leading 34th, assisted on the other three Spirit markers to add to his East Conference scoring race lead. It was Zelasko's 17th tally.

Despite the win, however, the Spirit failed to gain any ground on the Couchiching Terriers and Lindsay Muskies in their pursuit of the fourth and final Phillips Division playoff position.

Both squads also won Thursday, leaving the Spirit eight points behind the Terriers in fourth spot.

The Spirit have won five and tied one in their last 10 games, including a three-game home winning streak.

The Spirit were scheduled to play in Lindsay on Friday.



**REACH FOR THE SKY:** Stouffville District Secondary School's Sherry Hartnett (left), extends her arm to the fullest in an attempt to spike this ball past the outstretched arms of this Milliken Mills player during action in Wednesday's YRAA senior girls' volleyball game at Milliken Mills Secondary School. Stouffville District won the match 2-0 (15-1, 15-3). Photo by STEVE SOMERVILLE

## Major peewees tune up for playoffs with two wins

The Barker Roofing major peewee Clippers prepared for the upcoming playoffs by splitting a pair of exhibition games.

then winning one of two matches at a recent tournament.



The Clippers, who finished the regular season in first place in their division, fell 4-2 to Newmarket Jan. 6, then dumped Aurora 8-1, four days later. Shawn Burns and Josh Brillinger scored for the Clippers against Newmarket.

Jesse Miller assisted on both scores. Matt Wright had the hat

trick in the win over Aurora. Andy Gibson and Brillinger each netted a pair, with Cody Bennett adding a solo.

Assists went to Cam Davis (four), Kyle Sandiford and Anthony Tsiopoulos.

At a tournament in Port Perry last weekend, the Clippers downed the Willowdale Blackhawks 3-1 before falling 2-1 to the host team.

Scoring in the two matches were Robert Hooper (two goals), Michael Cornacchia (one goal, one assist), Tyler McMaster (two assists), Miller (one goal), Marcus D'Annunzio (one assist).

### DON VALLEY NORTH LEXUS - TOYOTA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



#### KEVIN ARRUDA

Kevin Arruda, 13, who plays for the MTHL Toronto Marlboros major Pee Wee team has been a major contributor again this year with his league leading 69 goals and 58 assists thus far this season. More recently, he helped his team reach the Finals of the prestigious Bell Challenge and Silver Stick Tournaments where they lost a heartbreaker 2-1 in Overtime to Team Illinois at the Bell and won 6-0 against arch-rival Mississauga Senators at the Silver Stick.

At both tournaments, Kevin was named Tournament MVP and All-Star Centre. The next major challenge for Kevin and his team is the prestigious Quebec Pee Wee Tournament where the Marlies will represent the Toronto Maple Leafs in the tough NHL division.

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