

SPORTS DIGEST

# Minor novices ice silver medal

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The Markham Vitality Suites Longman's Dodge minor novice AAA Waxers settled for the silver medal at last weekend's Markham Waxer Tournament after suffering a 4-3 overtime loss to the Brampton Battalion in the title game.



Backed by strong goalkeeping from Nicholas Manoukas, the Waxers defeated the Central Ontario Wolves 4-1, the Waterloo Winterhawks 7-2 and the Hamburg Hawks 6-0 in round-robin play before meeting the Hawks again in the semi-finals where they won 9-2.

Scoring for the Waxers were: Sam Garrick five goals, six assists; Joseph Cramarossa six goals, five assists; Jamie Kendra eight goals, one assist; Nicholas Halkidis two goals, seven assists; Joseph Luongo two goals, five assists; Evan Bruno three goals, three assists; Connor Kennedy two goals, three assists; Billy Lovatsis one goal, three assists; Michael Hergott four assists; David McGarry two assists; Michael Duncan and Christopher Colangelo one assist.

## Atom Raiders earn tie and win

The Markham Raiders atoms had two productive Central Ontario Minor Football League outings last week after battling the North York Grizzlies to a 0-0 tie on Oct. 5 and defeating the Scarborough Thunder 20-6 Monday at Mount Joy field.



Kamar Anglin, Anton Bennett and Alex Clarke each scored a major for the Raiders, now 3-4-1 on the season. Davie Poole added a convert.

In other games Monday, Don Armstrong Kennedy scored a touchdown and Saxon Lindsay booted a three-point convert as the Markham Raiders tykes suffered a 19-9 loss to the Thunder.

The Raiders fell to 3-4 with the defeat. Jessie Casimiri scored four touchdowns and added two converts while Antoine Terrelong added one major in a losing effort as the Raiders peewees suffered a 38-34 loss to the Thunder.

The defeat dropped the Raiders record to 5-2.

All Raiders teams will play in Oshawa tomorrow.

# Spirit earn passing marks on first test

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The Stouffville Spirit earned straight As in its first of three crucial tests Thursday at the Rec Complex.

The Spirit scored three unanswered goals in the second period to key a 6-4 victory over the Collingwood Blues in the opener of a home and home set with the North Conference leaders.

The teams were to square off again yesterday in Collingwood.



"This was one of our best efforts of the season," said Spirit head coach Brian Perrin. "Everyone played well."

Perrin said the double showdown with the Blues, along with Monday's road contest against the South Conference-leading Markham Waxers, should show what the Spirit are made of.

"These three games are going to determine whether we're contenders or pretenders."

Nevin Hamilton scored twice while Andrew Francone, Anthony Minicucci, Mike Tucciarone and Joe Pagnani added singles.

"It was a team effort starting in our own end," said Hamilton. "We came up with a good defensive effort and there was lots of

forechecking."

The Spirit trailed 3-2 after the first period as the Blues took advantage of the only Spirit defensive letdown of the game to score three goals in two minutes.

Stouffville took control the rest of the way, using a combination of strong physical play and speed to contain the Blues.

"After the first period we won all the one-on-one battles," said Perrin.

The win extended the Spirit's unbeaten streak to four games and left it with 14 points, three behind the Blues. Spirit goalie George Eliopoulos was solid in stopping 22 shots.

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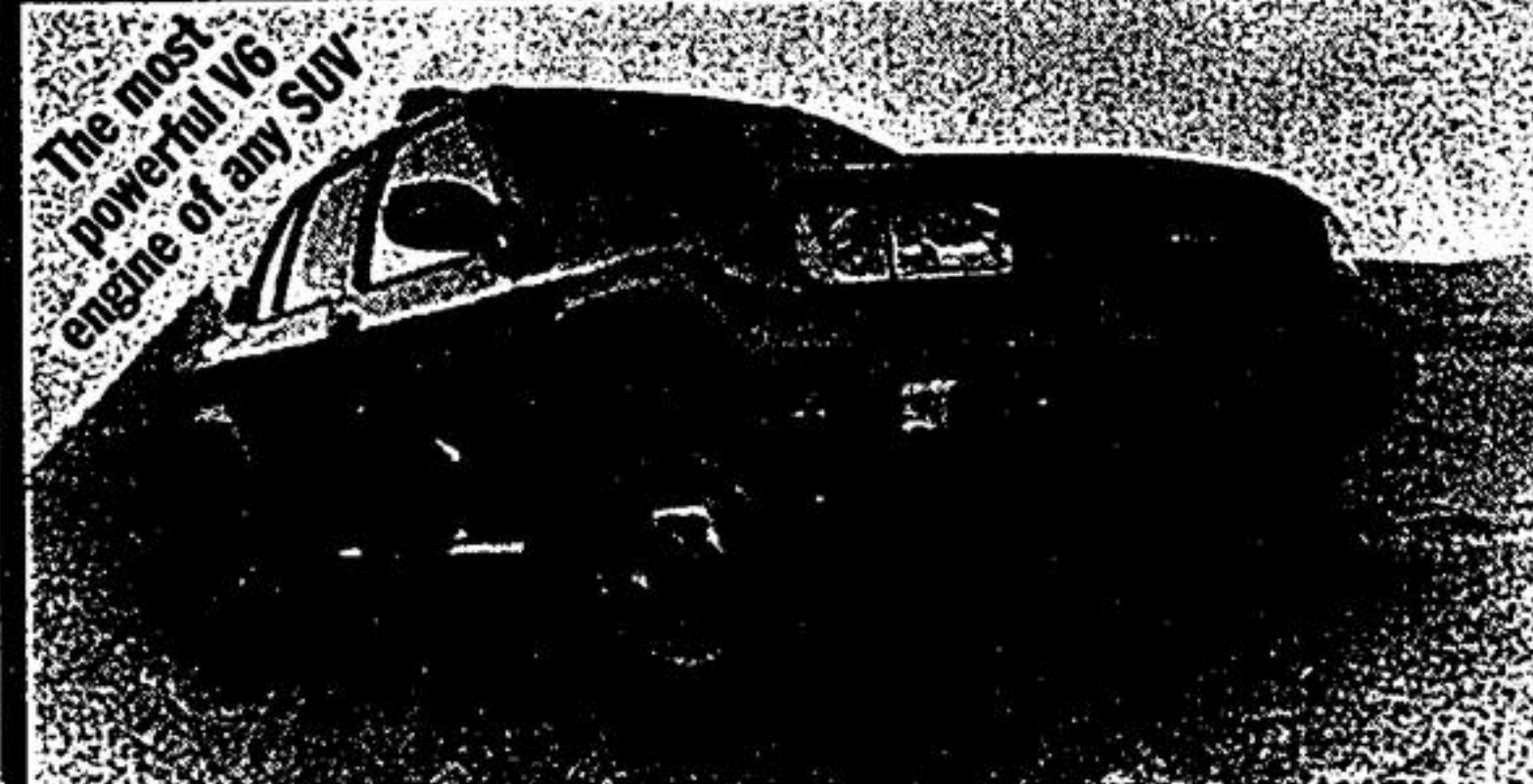
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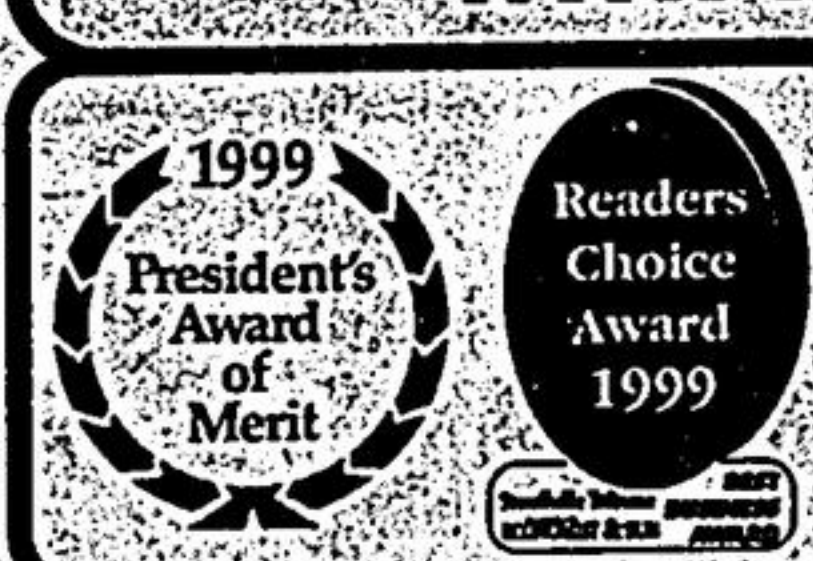
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