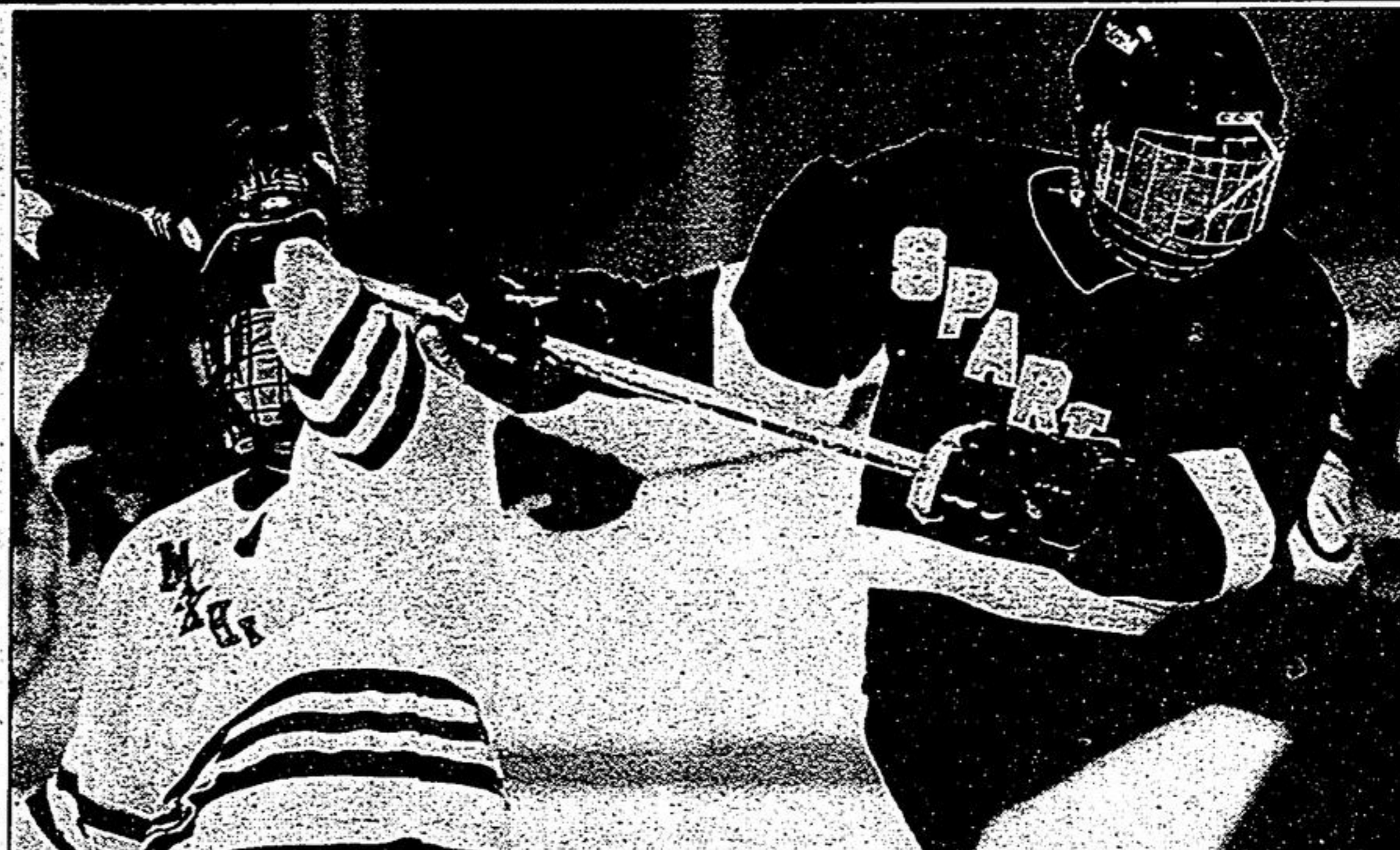


HIGH STICKING

Markham District High School Marauders forward Matt Edwards (left), was the recipient of this errant stick, courtesy of Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans' forward Jordan Smalley (right), during Monday's York Region senior boys' high school hockey game at Markham Centennial Arena. The host Marauders won 4-2. James Guinane scored both goals for the Spartans. On Thursday, the Spartans lost 5-3 to Markville Secondary School. Nick Hawkins scored twice and Andy Gibson, once. The Spartans are now 2-4-1.



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Spirit melts Waxers

Michael Commisso was big on offence and Steven Carota took care of business at the other end of the ice.

The result was a 6-3 win for their Stouffville Spirit over the Markham Waxers Thursday at the Stouffville Arena. The Spirit (20-12-2-0) is in third place in the North Conference of the Provincial Junior A Hockey League. Markham (22-8-5-1) is in first in the South.

The Spirit hopped out to a 4-1 lead but Markham fought back to make it 4-3 with less than six minutes to go in regulation. Carota made some big saves and two empty-net goals sealed the win.

Cale Tanaka, Ty Raine, Mark Versteeg, Lytwyn, Commisso, Kevin Jarman and Ian Staal scored for the Spirit. They outshot the Waxers 36-35. Commisso, a force in recent games, and Carota shared player of the game honours.

"I just have my confidence now," said Commisso, a native of Schreiber, a small town on Lake Superior. "Work hard and good things happen."

SPIRITED NOTES: The Spirit hosts the North York Rangers tonight at 7:30. The first 250 fans receive free Spirit pucks courtesy of Brimell Toyota...children under 12 accompanied by an adult get in free...the Spirit plays at Ajax tomorrow at 3 p.m. then breaks for the Christmas holidays until Jan. 2.



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