

# Spirit, Waxers hold upper hand in Jr. A hockey playoff series

The Stouffville Spirit and Markham Waxers are on the verge of clinching their opening-round Provincial Jr. A Hockey League playoff series.

The Spirit can do so tonight in Humphrey, Ont.

But it won't be easy in the small barn in the tiny community south of Parry Sound.

The Spirit jumped out to a 4-1 first-period lead and held on for a 5-2 win over the Seguin Bruins Thursday at the Stouffville Arena.

The Spirit leads the best-of-seven North Conference quarter-final 3-2.

"(Seguin's) a solid team that's playing us real well," said Spirit head

coach Dan West.

"They're making us play our best. The fourth one is never easy and we'll need a special effort Saturday night up there."

Rick Schrank, who had a goal and an assist, shared Farmer Jack's player of the game honours with Will Acton. Defenceman Dustin Howard had a solid game assisting and then jumping up in the play to roof a goal.

Randy Johnston, Donovan Munro and Scott Brown had the other goals. Rob Groom assisted twice.

Goaltenders Dan McWhinney (Stouffville) and Josh Sturrock (Seguin) stirred the crowd with a handful of amazing saves each.

Many of the 275 in attendance were Seguin fans, complete with noise-makers and pro-Bruins signs.

The Spirit outshot the Bruins 51-36.

Game 7, if necessary, will be played Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the Stouffville Arena.

Tonight's game will be broadcast at [whisleradio.com](http://whisleradio.com).

## Waxers ground Thunderbirds

The Waxers took a commanding three games to one lead in their best-of-seven series after routing the Toronto Thunderbirds 6-2 Wednesday at Westwood Arenas.

Mark Cornacchia and David Kos-tuch each scored twice for the Waxers, who led 2-0 after one period and 4-1 through two. Daniel Torres and Brett Molnar added singles. Connor Treacy collected three assists and Ryan Ollidis, two.

The series was to have resumed yesterday. A sixth game, if necessary would be played today at Westwood at 7:30 p.m. A seventh game, if required, would go Monday at Markham Centennial Arena at 7 p.m.

While happy to take a stranglehold on the series, Waxers' head coach Rick Cornacchia isn't about to assume his club will advance to the next round just yet.

"We've still got to hit that last nail," he warned. "But we're definitely playing better. We're doing a lot of good things."

Most pleasing to Cornacchia has been the goaltending he's received from Kyle Russell thus far in the playoffs.

"People don't realize it but we're up 2-1, he makes a big save and we come back and score and it's 3-1. His (Russell) difference is important."

The Waxers outshot the Thunderbirds 47-39.

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## Knights court berth in York semifinals

Four overtime periods required in high school game

It took four overtime periods but the Milliken Mills Secondary School Knights senior boys' basketball team did it.

Playing host to the Huron Heights Secondary School (Newmarket) Warriors in Wednesday's York Region Athletic Association quarter-final, the Knights prevailed in the marathon contest 108-102.

Troy Harmon-Porter, a six-foot, five-inch Grade 12 forward, led the Knights with 26 points while Jermix Felix, a five-foot, nine-inch Grade 12 guard, added 22. That effort offset a 61-point performance by Warriors' Rainer August.

While elated to see his club advance to Monday's semifinal at

St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School in Maple, where they will face the Bayview Secondary School 'Bengals' at 7:30 p.m., Knights' head coach Courtney Campbell felt the outcome was a toss up.

"It was a beautiful game to watch. Neither team would back down. Our guys just wanted it. The playoffs are a time when you make your name," he said.

Campbell felt his club's success boiled down to two factors. One of which is their experience as they have seven seniors.

Just as important, he added, is their depth. It surfaced when starters Seaton George, Oraine Green, Felix and Dwayne Jackson fouled out. Reserves Nima Baiedfar, Marcus Henry and Sean Thomas picked up the slack. Baiedfar sunk four clutch free throws in the last two minutes of the fourth overtime period to help seal the win.

"A lot of the guys wondered why we go deep on the bench and now they found out," said Campbell.

Prior to the Knights-Bengals game, the first semifinal game will feature Sacred Heart (Newmarket) and Woodbridge College at 6 p.m. The winners will advance to Thursday's final at St. Joan of Arc in Vaughan at 7:30 p.m.

## Marauders, Spartans puck teams iced out

The ice storm that invaded York Region Thursday forced a delay in the second game of the Markham District High School Marauders and Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans senior boys' hockey quarter-final game to Monday at Centennial Arena in Markham at 4 p.m. The Marauders won the first game of the two-game total point series, 5-1.



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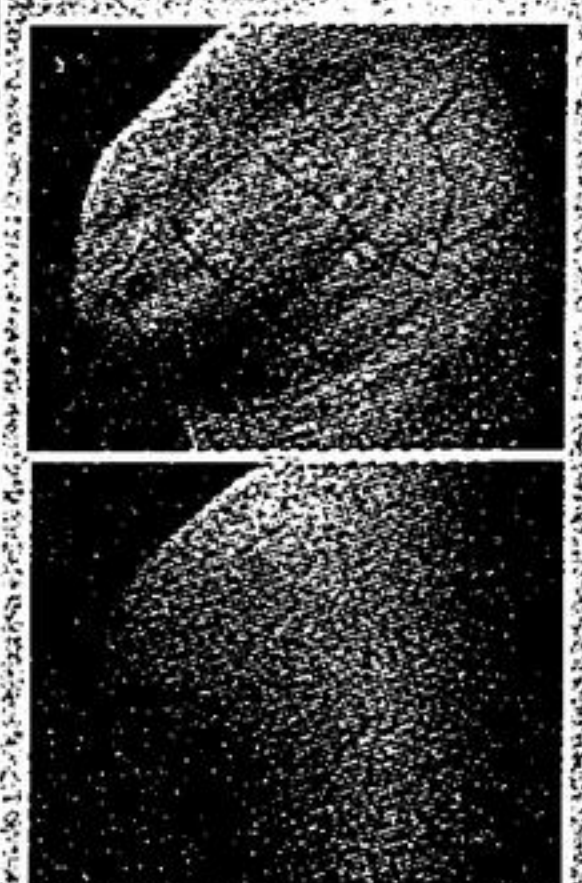
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## Peewee Stars inch closer to top spot

The Stouffville Markham peewee B Stars vaulted into second place and are within one point of first place in the North Metro Girls Hockey League standings Sunday with a 2-1 win over the Durham Lightning.

Alyssa Porter and Hannah Tunney, with the eventual game-winning marker, scored for the Stars.

Emily McMahon and Jesse Cook drew assists.



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