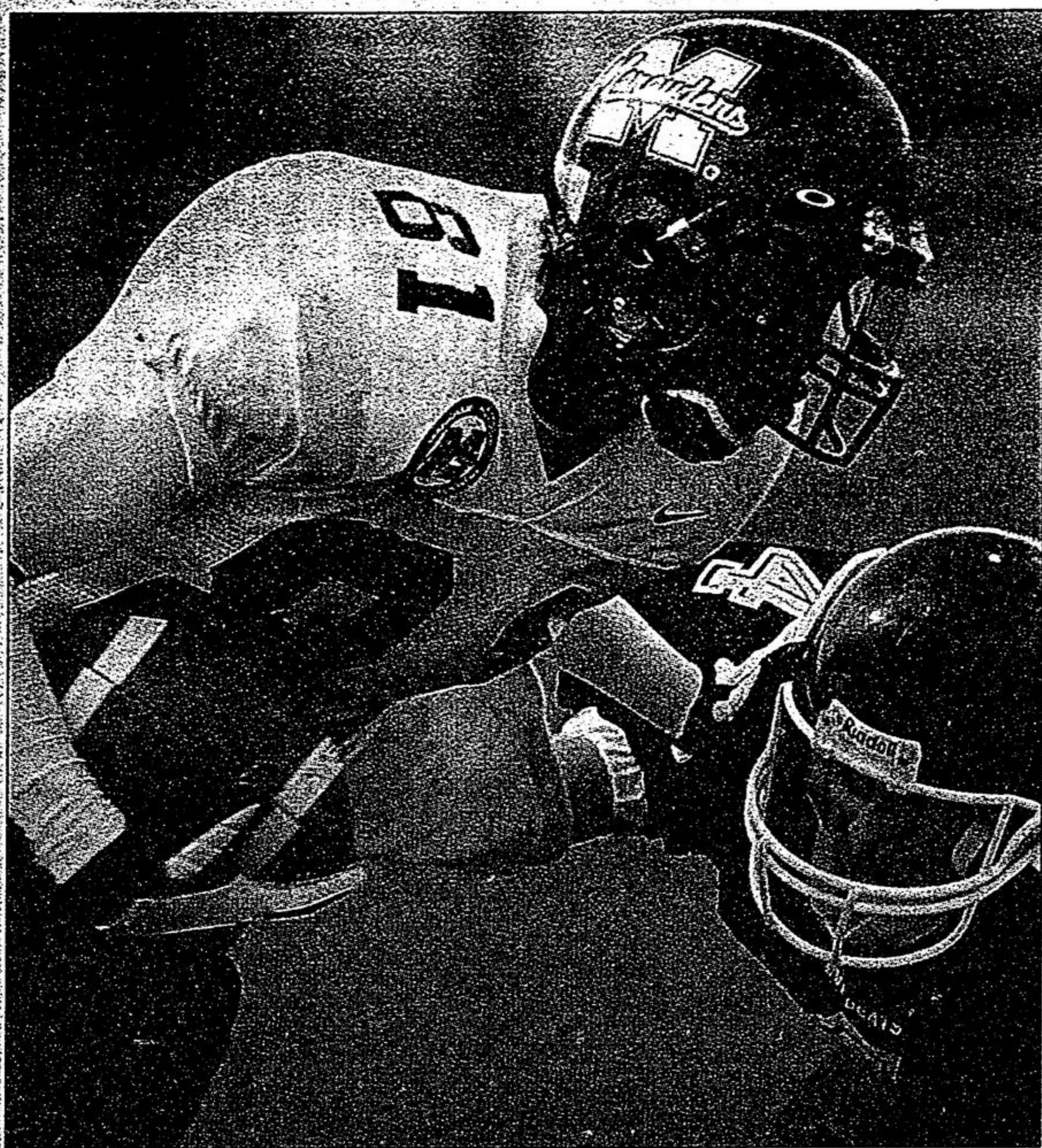


FULL SPEED AHEAD

Markham District High School Marauders' Shamawd Chambers (81), carries the ball past Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School Wildcats' defender Dan Coates in Thursday's YRAA senior football opener at Markham District High School. Chambers and Ryne Cristovao each scored two touchdowns to lead the Marauders to a 28-0 win. Luke Racine booted two converts.



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Spirit bear down on Bruins

Matt Hansell moved from Jr. B hockey in Listowel to Jr. A in Stouffville for one reason.

"Exposure," he said, after backstopping the Stouffville Spirit to a 2-1 victory over the Seguin Bruins at the Stouffville Arena Thursday.

The 17-year-old from Ridgville, near St. Catharines, let in the first shot on goal 11 seconds in and then blanked the Parry Sound-area Bruins.

Freshly appointed captain Randy Johnston and Ryan Oliver, with the winner, his fourth goal in five games, scored for the Spirit, which outshot Seguin 47-27.

Hansell preserved the win, stopping a penalty shot with 8:10 left in regulation. Nothing unusual there. He once foiled 13 in a row during a spring league shootout.

"First class billets (Mike and Lorraine Humphreys), great city, a great group of guys on the team and a very professionally run organization," Hansell said, of his move to Stouffville

from the Listowel Cyclones, near Kitchener, in the Midwestern Jr. B loop.

There's little difference in the quality of play, he said, but the Spirit's Provincial Jr. A Hockey League is more heavily scouted by U.S. college scouts.

The Grade 12 student at Brother Andre Catholic High School in Markham rejected a contract from the Kitchener Rangers, which selected him in the seventh round of the Ontario Hockey League draft in 2005, to pursue an NCAA scholarship.

Hansell and his mates will get a lot of exposure Sunday at the Governor's Showcase in Bowmanville.

The Spirit plays the Oakville Blades, the team they defeated for the league's North-West title in April, at 4:30 p.m. Games in the event, which is heavily scouted by U.S. colleges, count in the league standings.

For live scoring of Spirit games, go to pointstreak.com. For radio broadcasts, go to whistleradio.com.

Juvenile Clippers seeking players

Wanted: boys from Stouffville and Markham who were born in 1987 and 1988 and who still wish to play competitive hockey.

That's what Brent Gibson is looking for as he returns to the helm to direct the fortunes of the Stouffville Clippers juvenile team for the upcoming season.

Although tryouts have already begun, Gibson said the door remains open as he is looking for a few more 18- and 19-year-old players to help fill his roster. The Stouffville resident was

quick to note he already has his five allotted overagers (20-year-olds) on his roster for this season.

After coaching the juvenile Clippers two years ago to an Ontario Minor Hockey Association A title, Gibson says the juvenile division provides an opportunity for youngsters who still wish to play the game.

"It's good, enjoyable hockey for kids who don't want their careers to end just yet," he said.

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