

Special night in Spiritland

Goalie blanks Seguin; unbeaten Newmarket visits Stouffville tonight

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For the Stouffville Spirit, a 7-0 victory over the visiting Seguin Bruins Thursday was a special night in more ways than one.

For starters, the Spirit's special teams unit came out smoking with two power-play goals and two shorthanded markers.

But for netminder Trevor O'Neill, it was a special occasion, as he recorded his first shutout as a member of the Spirit since joining the Provincial Junior A Hockey League club last season after being with the Markham Waxers.

"Trevor was solid," Spirit head coach Dave D'Amazio said of his netminder's performance as he handled 20 shots.

Mark Sullivan opened the scoring in the first period with a power-play goal. The Spirit then received a shorthanded marker from James McIntosh to take a 2-0 advantage through 20 minutes.

PAIR FOR MCDOWELL, ARCHIBALD

Ethan Werek opened the scoring early in the second period with a power-play marker. Just 19 seconds later, Darren Archibald scored the first of his two goals to pad the Spirit lead to 4-0. Archibald's second marker, a shorthanded tally, staked Stouffville to a 5-0

lead before Craig McDowell notched the first of his two goals to give the Spirit a commanding 6-0 advantage through two periods.

McDowell, a Stouffville resident, scored the lone goal of the third period.

"We found the back of the net a few times and that made things easy," D'Amazio said. "But I thought we cleaned up a few things in our game, our puck movement and play away from the puck was good."

Also bringing a smile to the Spirit was the return of five-year forward and captain Randy Johnston from a tryout with Charlotte of the East Coast Hockey League.

RANDY JOHNSTON BACK IN TOWN

"He (Johnston) had a great experience there (in Charlotte)," D'Amazio said. "He went there for the experience and he chose to return to continue his hockey and education at the CIS level."

The Spirit's North Conference record improved to 5-4-2.

After playing in Collingwood last night, they host the North Conference-leading and unbeaten Newmarket Hurricanes today at 7:30 p.m. Newmarket is the fourth-ranked team in the country, one spot behind the Markham Waxers.

"(Thursday's win) was just one of three. We hope our last two games will generate some momentum," he said.

For more on the Stouffville Spirit, go to: stouffvillespirit.com



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Stouffville District Secondary School's Meredith Reesor (left) and Chelsea Cowie of G.W. Williams Secondary School fight for possession during Thursday's York Region high school field hockey match-up in Aurora. Williams won 3-0.

SDSS rookie runs to 4th

Michael Bourgeois made his cross-country running debut for Stouffville District Secondary School Wednesday at the Cardinal Carter Invitational meet at Boyd Conservation Area in Woodbridge.

Competing in the midget boys' 5,000-metre race, the Grade 9 student finished fourth after completing the course in 19:17.81.

Home cooking nets wins

The Spartans junior boys' volleyball team utilized its new home floor to full advantage

Wednesday when they hosted first-year school Bur Oak Secondary School (Markham) and Markham District High School by winning two YRAA tier one games.

The Spartans defeated Bur Oak 2-0 (25-12, 25-15) and Markham District High School 2-1 (18-25, 25-9, 15-12).

The win by the Spartans came on the heels of a 2-1 (25-20, 22-25, 15-8) win over host Markville Secondary School (Markham) Oct. 3.

Now 4-2 on the season, the Spartans will resume league play Oct. 17 at Pierre Elliott-Trudeau

Secondary School when they play Pierre Elliott-Trudeau and Unionville High School starting at 3:30 p.m.

Sporting a 1-1 mark in YRAA tier one action, the Spartan seniors resume league play Oct. 15 at Pierre Elliott-Trudeau against the host school and Unionville High starting at 3:30 p.m.

The Spartans opened the season Sept. 26 when they fell 2-0 (21-25, 21-25) to Milliken Mills High School and defeating Markham District High School 2-0 (25-12, 25-19).

— Mike Hayakawa



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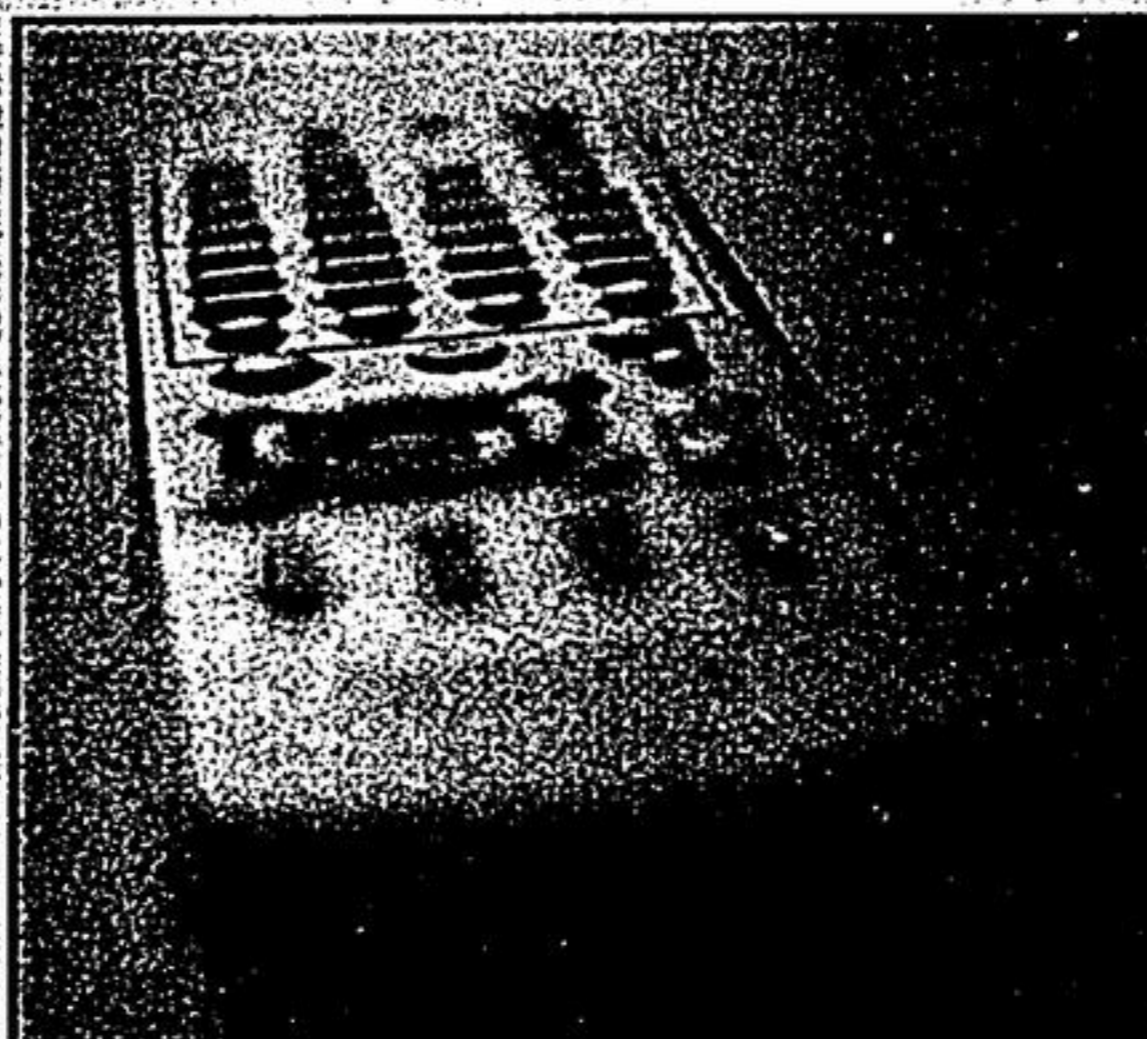
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Tuesday, October 23, 2007

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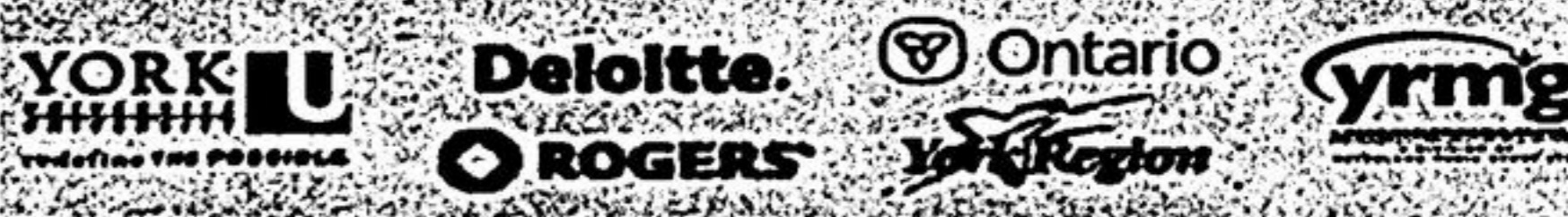
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