

SPORTS: Goalie gets another shot this weekend in Toronto Shutout records foiled in final seconds

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When Liz Knox took to the ice for the Wilfrid Laurier University Golden Hawks women's hockey team in an Ontario University Athletics tilt against the University of Guelph last Sunday, she was unaware her name could be inscribed in the Canadian Interuniversity Sport record books.

The Stouffville resident and fourth-year Golden Hawks' netminder was on the verge of equalling the most single season (11) and career (30) shutout marks held by McGill University's Charline Labonte, who is on leave with the Olympic team.

DIDN'T KNOW

Standing between Knox and her entry into being in select company with Labonte in the CIS record books though, were the final four seconds of the contest.

It was at that point when the Gryphons played the role of spoiler by scoring on Knox in a 2-1 game that was won by the second-ranked Golden Hawks.

"I actually had no idea that the record was on the line," Knox, a Stouffville District Secondary School graduate, said. "There was an article published on our school athletics website, but I didn't see it because of a late game against Brock in St. Catharines the night before."

"I only found out about the record from a reporter for the Waterloo Record after the Guelph game had finished."

While the thought of just missing out on equaling the two CIS marks is just starting to set in, Knox was quick to deflect any personal attention by pointing out there are other more important objectives to attain.

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Most notably, team-oriented goals aimed towards winning the OUA and coveted CIS titles.

"Of course, I was disappointed, but not because of the shutout record being on the line. I was disappointed because the team had battled through a tough game and it was unfortunate that we were on the wrong end of the last goal of the game."

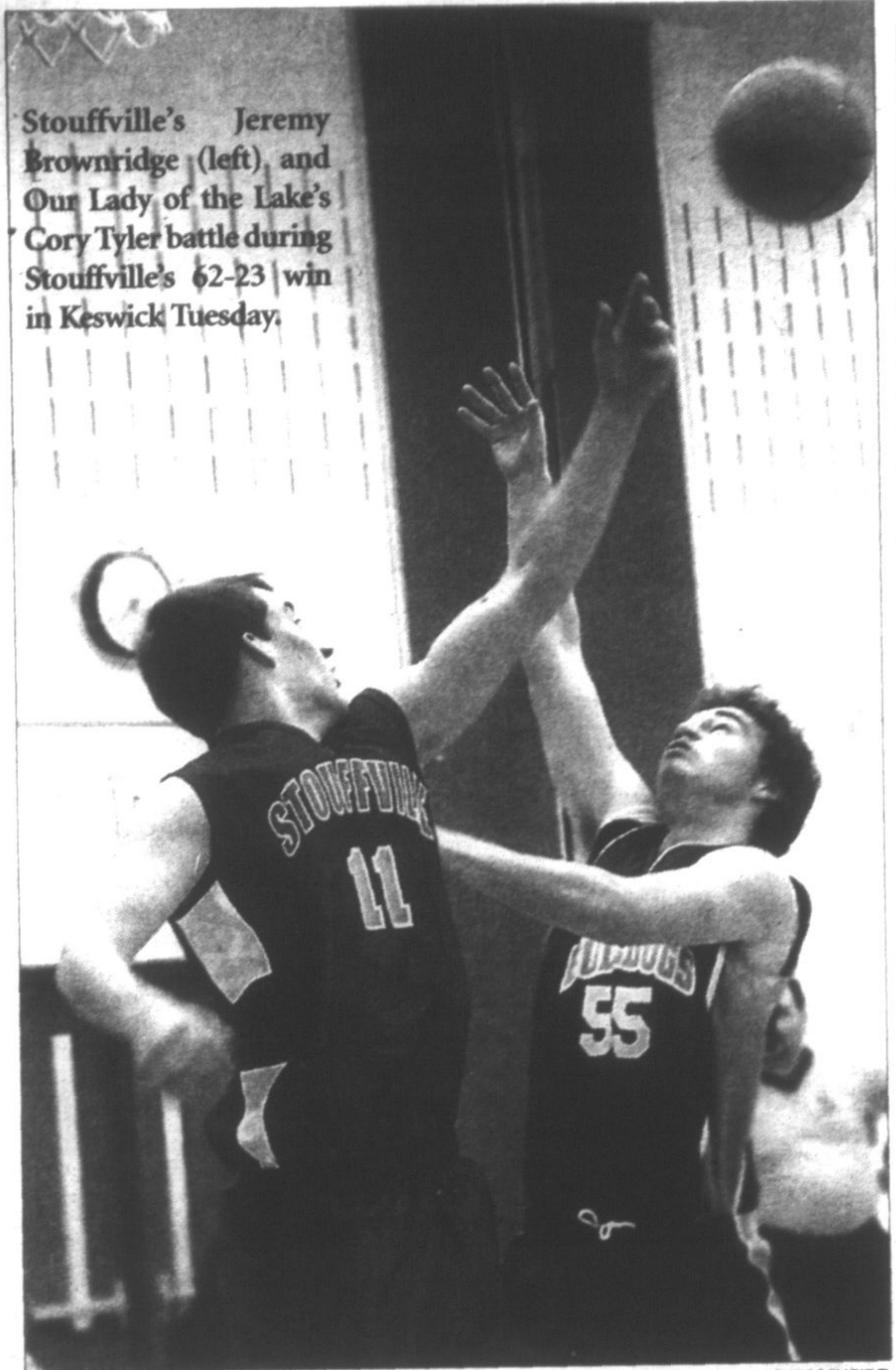
"A shutout on top of the team's overall performance against Guelph would have been a cherry on top of the win; but, the 'W' is really what we were looking for," she said.

Appearing in 20 games this season, Knox sports

a nifty 0.66 goals against average.

Knox gets another shot at the records when

unbeaten Laurier (22-0) visits Toronto today at 4 p.m. and York tomorrow at 2 p.m.



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Stouffville's Jeremy Brownridge (left) and Our Lady of the Lake's Cory Tyler battle during Stouffville's 62-23 win in Keswick Tuesday.

Spartans court perfection

The Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans senior boys' basketball team capped off a perfect regular season in the York Region Athletic Association tier two circuit after pumelling Our Lady of the Lake Catholic High School 62-23 in Keswick Tuesday.

Jesse Lofthouse paced the Spartans' offence with 13 points while Nicholas McEwan added 10.

Concluding the tier two season with a 4-0 mark, the Spartans finished first in the Group Five division.

The Spartans are scheduled to play a first-round playoff game against Tanenbaum CHAT Kimel Family Ed Centre (Vaughan), who finished fourth in the Group Four Division, in Vaughan Thursday at 5:15 p.m.



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