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FIVE-HOLE GOAL

Stouffville Clipper Marwan Al-Joundi's shot trickles through the pads of Newmarket Redmen goalie Noah Revie as Redmen Murray Boland and Patrick Jackson look on during minor atom AA playoff hockey action at the Clippers Sports Complex Saturday. The Redmen won 3-2 in overtime.

HOCKEY

University players advance

Jake Carrick scored a goal to help the Lakehead University Thunderwolves men's hockey team defeat the Ryerson University Rams 5-1 and sweep their best-of-three Ontario University Athletics West semifinal in Thunder Bay Friday.

The 23-year-old Stouffville resident who is in his junior year and previously played with the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds and Windsor Spitfires of the Ontario Hockey League, notched his first goal of the postseason in the third period that put the Thunderwolves up 5-1.

With the Thunderwolves nursing a 2-0 lead after one period, the Rams got back to within a goal when Stouffville resident Jamie Wise notched his fifth postseason marker on the power play.

That would be as close as the Rams would get as the Thunderwolves added a pair of goals before the second period ended to take a 4-1 lead.

With the victory, the Thunderwolves will face the University of Windsor Lancers in the OUA West final beginning tonight in Windsor.

In other Canadian Interuniversity Sport hockey action, Cory Tanaka played a key role in helping the St. Mary's University Huskies advance to the Atlantic University Sport final when they defeated the University of New Brunswick in four games in their

best-of-five semifinal series that concluded with a 1-0 win Sunday.

The 25-year-old Stouffville resident and fourth year forward collected an assist in Saturday's fourth game that saw host St. Mary's prevail 2-1 in double overtime and take a two games to one lead in the series.

Tanaka's helper came on the Huskies' first goal by Stephen MacAulay that tied the score in the second period and set the stage for overtime.

The Huskies are scheduled to face Acadia in the AUS final.

Award nominees sought

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association's board of directors is seeking nominations for the 2014 Steve Wright Memorial Award.

The award, which was named in memory of the former WSMHA coach, is presented annually to a coach, assistant coach, trainer or team manager who has consistently demonstrated his/her commitment to the interests of players of the WSMHA and Stouffville minor hockey in general.

Nominations, including a brief outline of why the nominee is deserving of consideration for this award, should be forwarded to Charlene Mason at the hockey office (info@wsmha.com) by March 10.





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