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Oakville novice A Rangers won their first tournament of the season, going 4-0 at the Richmond Hill Stars competition.

Early bird crown for novice Rangers

The Oakville novice A Rangers began their hockey season in fine form, dominating all comers at the Richmond Hill Stars Early Bird hockey tournament.

Oakville outscored its opposition 26-3 in winning all four of its games. The Rangers defeated the Bradford Bulldogs 5-1, Amherstberg Stars 3-1 and Richmond Hill 11-1, then blanked Amherstburg 7-0 in the championship game.

"The players are having fun and playing

great hockey," said head coach Dwayne Clarke. Members of the team are Tyler Sampson, Brett Goold, Kyle Petta Ionescu, Colton Incze, Kyle Salmon, Harrison Clarke, Curtis Fernandes, Jacob Saunders, James Gabura, Liam Donnelly, Ryan Menne, Mike Matson, Kyle Barrett, Jacob Gower, Cole Purboo, Joey Berkopec and Nathaniel Gerchikov.

Steve Sampson, Desmond Fernandes and Scott Goold help coach the team, which is managed by Judy Gower.

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Locals claim tennis title

Bronte Tennis Club made quite a racquet in ladies' interclub league play this season.

The outdoor community club's Ladies A Division team led the way, winning the Intercounty Tennis Association's A championships — beating out 31 other teams from across the Greater Toronto Area, including several large year-round commercial clubs.

The ladies' team, captained by Karen Alton, began its odyssey by winning the West section of the league with an 11-1 record and 143 points.

The team then defeated York Weston Tennis Club in a regional playoff, prevailing 10-4 on four courts of doubles.

The victory qualified a Bronte team for next season's prestigious ICTA Majors league — the highest level of ladies' league play in the GTA. It also earned the team a berth in the East vs. West ICTA showdown, initially scheduled to be played at the Rexall Centre but moved indoors to the Mayfair West Racquet Club because of inclement weather.

Bronte easily handled East champion Banbury Tennis Club of North York in the final, winning 14-0. Competing in the final for Bronte were Amanda McKee, Lisa Lunski-Wood, Barrie Platt, Elaine McConachie and Alton.

Also contributing to Bronte's championship run were Susan Hamilton, Colleen Petrick, Karen Olech, Anna-Marie Purvis, June Wright, Verna Dalgleish, Sheena Eglington, Gabi Jeffrey and Meg Pigott.

In other club news, the ICTA Ladies' C Division team also won its league this year, qualifying the squad to move up to the B Division in 2008.



Pictured left to right, Amanda McKee, Lisa Lunski-Wood, Karen Alton, Barrie Platt and Elaine McConachie helped the Bronte Tennis Club's Ladies A Division team win the Intercounty Tennis Association title this year.



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