

OMHA U15 Minor Hockey

Orono U15 Leafs draw with Millbrook

Wednesday, Feb 1 – This feature between Orono and Millbrook was a goalfest in the second period while the opening and closing frames were defensive standstills. Playing in Orono, the Leafs and Millbrook Stars tied 3-3.

Play in the first period suggested that this game was going to be a tight affair dominated by defence. Neither team made an impression on the scoreboard in the opening ten minutes.

The tone of the game quickly turned and six goals were tallied in the middle frame. In the third minute of the second period, Casey Cornish combined with Owen Smith to give Orono a 1-0 lead. The Leaf advantage dissipated when Millbrook countered with three consecutive markers.

With five minutes remaining in the second stanza, Casey Cornish cut the Millbrook advantage to one. Assists on Cornish's second tally of the game went to Kellen Fox and Maverick Birch. Orono pulled even with 1:05 left in the period on a goal from Peyton Dawson (helpers to Casey Cornish and Kellen Fox).

The teams settled into another defensive shell in the third period with no goal scoring.

Maxx Brady backstopped the Leafs win. With this tidy effort, he maintains a goals against average under the 3.00 threshold of excellence. In league and exhibition play, Brady is sporting a 2.79 GAA.

Orono U15 blanked by Mariposa

Sunday, Feb 5 – Never underestimate

your opponent. Looking at the standings, Orono should have easily handled the visiting Mariposa Lightning. The Lightning are trolling the bottom of the division standings while the Leafs are battling for third place in the eight-team group. Ignoring the prognosticators and pundits, Mariposa downed Orono 5-0.

Mariposa had a single marker in the opening period. They added three to their total in the middle frame. In the final stanza, the Lightning added another single. Two of Mariposa's goals came on the powerplay and another Lightning tally came when they were shorthanded.