

Greater Metro League in final weeks of regular season

With five weeks left to go in the Greater Metro Hockey League regular season schedule, there are a few front runners that will be battling for the League championship.

In the Central Division the Alliston Coyotes are still in the number one spot with a 28?3 record after 31 games

Although the Coyotes lead in the points column with 56, the Tottenham Steam will be a major challenger. The Steam have lost only one game this year ? and that was to the Alliston team ? but the Steam also rallied and won one over Alliston the next time the two squads met on November 26.

The Steam have only played 27 games so far ? that's four less times than the Alliston team has been on the ice so the next few weeks will see the schedule even out.

Over all in the League the Kingsville Kings of the South Division are leading with 60 points and a 30?1 record for the season and are well ahead of the second place Toronto Attack who currently have 49 points and eight losses.

In the North Division the South Muskoka Shield is on top with 53 points and a 26?4 record. Close behind, the Temiscaming Titans are right behind them with 52 points and a 25?6 record that includes two overtime losses.

Locally it doesn't look too promising for the Shelburne Sharks to come close to making the playoffs.

After 32 games the Sharks have five wins in their inaugural season in the League while taking 27 losses.

The Orangeville Ice Crushers did a little better with 11 wins after 18 games but are well back with an eighth place standing in the ten team division.

The playoff schedule has not yet been announced but last season only the top six from the Division were awarded a playoff berth.

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