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FESTIVAL DAY FIVE KIND TO FIVE TYKE CHAMPIONS

Day five of the 2012 Ontario Lacrosse Festival played host to the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke championship games in five different divisions.

The first championship game of the day was a high-scoring affair in the “E” division as Shelburne faced off against Sudbury. The Shelburne squad opened up the scoring just 18 seconds into the contest, setting the tone for the rest of the game. After the first fifteen minutes, Shelburne held a 5-2 lead. The Veterans erupted for seven more goals in the second, while Sudbury had their best period scoring four more of their own. The teams traded three additional goals in the third period and Shelburne took home the Toronto Rock/OLA “E” championship by a final of 15-9. Travis Verbeek led the winning squad with a whopping eight goals and added two assists. Sudbury’s top scorers were Atley Gringorten with three goals and both Mason Lachance and Brek Morrow with a goal and two assists.

In the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke “D” Championship, the Oshawa Blue Knights were looking to defend their title from a year ago. This year they matched up against Akwesasne in a tight final. The two teams went back and forth in the first period, alternating goals before the intermission when Oshawa held a 2-1 advantage. The defending champions added a goal in the second to extend their lead to 3-1 after two periods. The teams exchanged two goals apiece in the third but Akwesasne could not mount a comeback and the Oshawa Blue Knights took home their second straight “D” Championship title. Oshawa was led by Tucker Williams with 2g, 1a and Carson Christy with 1g, 1a. Akwesasne had a balanced attack with three different players registering goals.

Next on the schedule was the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke “C” Championship featuring Kahnawake and Cambridge. After a tense first period, the teams entered the second frame tied 1-1. Cambridge came out firing in the second, tallying five goals in the frame to grab hold of a 6-2 lead after two periods. Cambridge added two more goals to their winning cause to take the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke “C” Championship by a final of 8-2. Captain Ben Marsh led the Cambridge offence with three goals and an assist while Kahnawake’s Trey Deere scored both goals in the losing effort.

Nepean and Mississauga squared off in the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke “B” Championship. The Nepean squad had a very consistent game, scoring two goals in every period. Mississauga could not match Nepean’s scoring pace and Nepean came away with a 6-3 victory and title of Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke “B” Champions. Nepean’s Charlie Gollob had 2g, 2a to lead the scoring charge, while Seven Gillingham scored twice for Mississauga.



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In the last game of the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke provincials, Whitby and Orangeville battled for the right to be named Tyke "A" Champions. Whitby was looking to hold onto the title that has been theirs for the past two seasons and jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead in the first before Orangeville got on the board. At the end of the first Whitby held a 5-2 advantage. The Whitby defence shut down their opponents from that point forward and cruised to a 13-2 victory to retain the Toronto Rock/OLA Tyke "A" Championship. Mathew Poitras led the way for Whitby with 2g, 2a while Rob Baxter and Blake Peters Davey each contributed 2g, 1a in the win.

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