

Thunder barely bitten by Bruins

Algonquin men's soccer season ends with heart-breaking 1-0 home loss to Sheridan

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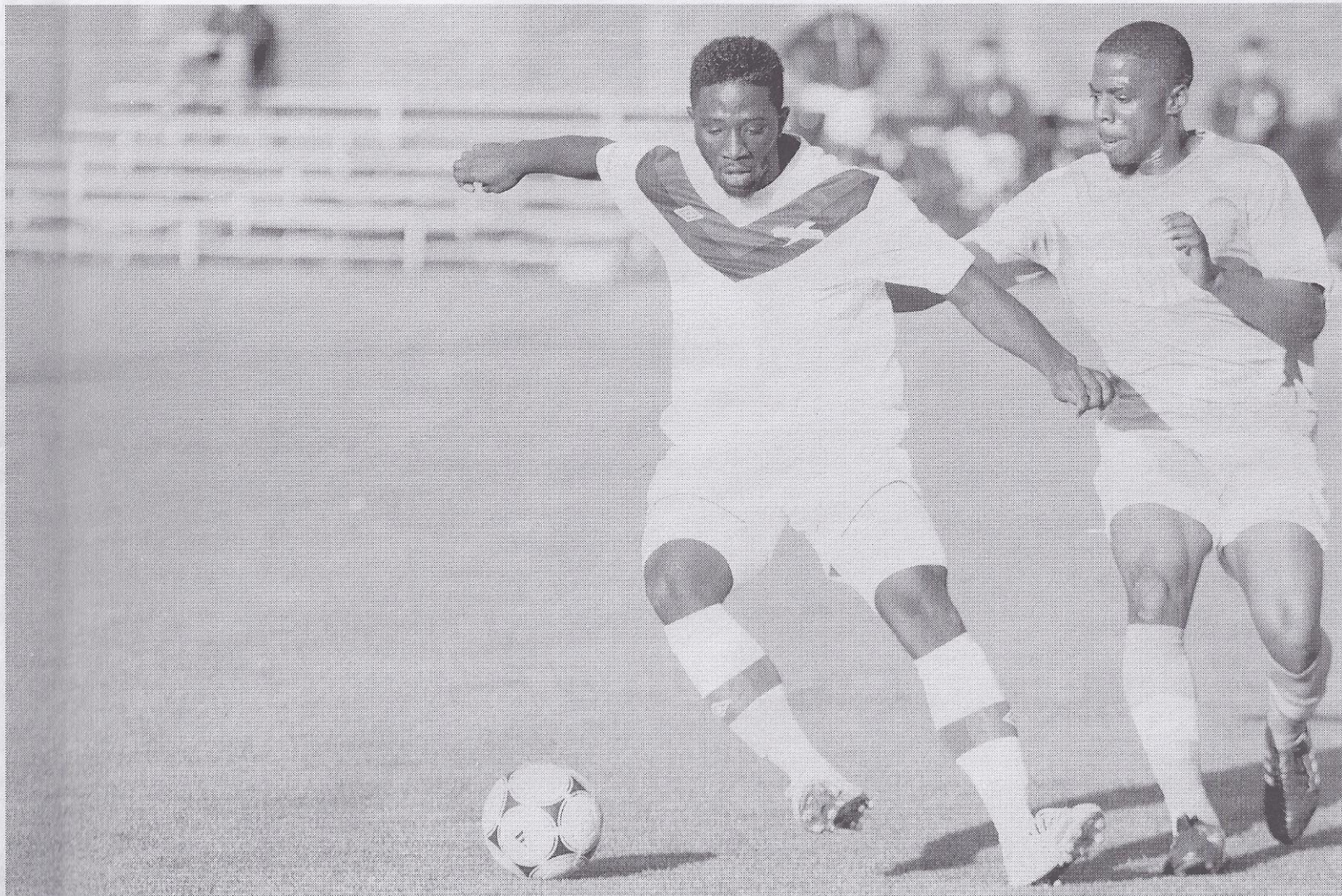
After a strong campaign highlighted by being the league's only undefeated team and a late game goal against cross-town rivals La Cité Collégiale that clinched the division the Thunder's run has come to an end.

A full house of fans filled the seats of the Thunder Dome on a warm Saturday afternoon to see the Thunder men's soccer team take on the Sheridan Bruins in a quarterfinal match up that went down to the wire with the Bruins coming ahead 1-0 putting the Thunder's playoff hopes to rest.

"It was a big game," said midfielder Derek Boakya-Yiadom. "A lot of players on our team are young and have never been in this kind of situation before so they can carry this feeling into next year."

The two teams battled it out for over 90 minutes with scoring chances, set pieces and possession evenly split between the two teams. A late game surge came from the Thunder in the dying moments of the game but unfortunately they were unable to capitalize on the multiple scoring chances the team generated.

"Our strategy was the same strategy we had all year," said Boakya-Yiadom. "We failed to execute our chances on set pieces. We failed to



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Thunder midfielder Derek Boakya-Yiadom plays the ball under pressure from a Sheridan defender. Algonquin was defeated 1-0.