



MEMORIES OF '72: Raiders' forward Krystopher Barch tries to shovel the puck past Oakville goalie Shane Day. The Raiders went on to lose the game 5-3. Hockey Night In Canada's Ron McLean served as referee. (Eve Martin photo)

Final Four play off in league action

BY ALEX TOUGH
Special To The Gemini

The Inter County League is down to the final four teams in each division, or will be by the time you read this entry. Eagles and Forest Hill play off Sept. 30 for the right to meet Britannia. Meteor face Meadowvale at Alcott on Oct. 2 with a 6:45 pm kick off, followed by Britannia v. Eagles/Forest Hill winner. Eagles have to win the playoff and Meadowvale only require a tie to move on.

On Wednesday at Alcott, the second division has Harps v. Ajax and United v. Mariners.

Last week Forest Hill had a meritorious win against difficult Caledon. Eagles had lost earlier to front running Meteor in group "A" 3-0. Blazers defeated visiting Lions 3-1, which still left the team one point short of mak-

ing the final four. As things are, Meadowvale won a default match to reach the semi-final, and Britannia took first place in group "B".

Harps defeated a depleted, injury plagued Mariners (who ended up with eight players, only one of those fit) by 8-0 and we still attempting to score in the dying minutes. Harps took first place and Marines second in the group. In other grouping, United scraped through against a ten man Thistle 1-0 to hold on to first spot. Ajax, the Cinderella story of the season, came through with a 2-1 win at Milton to enter the last stages.

Five of the eight finalists are from Georgetown which as a fair achievement considering the way matters have gone in recent times. No doubt, Ajax are the comeback team of the season. A formerly strong team, they

fell into a long decline and only re-started a couple of years ago with a young squad of management and players.

The finals are set for Meadowglen on Oct. 5. The first division is set for 1 pm and the seconds at 3 pm.

The playoffs have been marred by several teams playing ineligible players, mostly due to careless, rather than criminal acts. The deliberate ineligibles came from a team no longer in contention or membership. However, the situation is an item to be looked at more closely for next season.

Highlander's hope for zero loss season

BY MARK A. MANN

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The North Halton Highlanders Rugby Team moved another game closer to an undefeated season on Sunday as they handled the Toronto Scottish 15-5 in TRU third division play.

With only two regular season games remaining the Highlanders have mathematically sealed first place in the league and are set to move up to the second division next year. The team improved its record to 11-0-1 with wins over Markham, two weeks ago and the Scottish this past week end at Neilson's Field.

The Highlanders mounted an early lead on the Scottish as Dave Lipp and Kyle Goodlet combined for a try following some hard hitting forward play. Trevor Harkley missed the convert from a very uncomfortable position, near the Scottish sideline, but added three more points for the Highlanders as a penalty attempt made it through the uprights.

The Scottish narrowed the lead before the end of the half with a try that was scored on a sloppy Highlander defense and with some help from the referee as well.

Despite efforts from the referee to give the Scottish a lead, the Highlanders defended well and finally put the game out of reach as Kirk Serjeantson scored on a brilliant last minute penalty play thought up by Captain Bob Ford-King.

The 15-5 victory marked the final home game for the Highlanders as they play Markham and the Scottish once more each on the road. This team, which refuses to play to its potential, will be without outside centre Mark Lamb and winger Rob Elmslie for the remainder of the season due to injuries, but are confident that they can finish the season unbeaten.

Bracky's teams dominate Halton Darts league standings

BY ALEX TOUGH

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Halton league results from last week are Brackys Brew Crew 4-10 to Royal Pizza II; Brackys Tapsters 8-6 over Royal Pizza I; Brackys Fat Bunch 10-3 over Legion I; Brackys Grillers down 6-9 to Charleys; Legion II wins 10-4 over McGibbon II; Legion III 9-0 over Coalwards II and Coalwards I 13-4 over McGibbon.

Coalyard Pattys I leads the standings with Charleys, Brackys Brew Crew and Brackys Grillers following. At the other end are McGibbon I and Coalwards II. Coalwards II are seeking players and those interested in entering the league for Monday night play should contact the bar as soon as possible.

Terry Hancock led the point scorers with 12, Dave

and Chris Scutt each scored 11. Nick Thomas, Steve Peggie and Roger Vanderham each notched the first 180s of the season. Hancock and Dave Scutt scored triple 140s and several players notched doubles. Dan Dorbeen scored three 125s. Caroline Vallance and Kevin Baldwin scored high with 138 and Brad Youmans made 136.

Last season Brackys Tapsters struggled for points and so far have three wins to their credit. Against Royal Pizza the teams split the four player games 1-1. The eight singles went to Tapsters by

5-3, one being a "dummy" win. The opening doubles went to Royal's Marion Carney and Gary Hardiman. Denise Vallance and Rena Gray tied it up for Brackys. Ray Clarke and Lynn LaFleur went ahead for Royal. The closing double of Caroline and Ron Vallance just defeated Len Lafond and "dummy" for the team win.

In the Industrial League, Guzzlers were given a night off to play in baseball playoffs and will have to make up against the Independents. The league now has two make ups on the board. Gasketman reclaim first place following

the 9-2 win over Better Cut. New dream Team made a late, last set winning double for the match, 6-5, over Nimrods and drop to second place. Woodchuckers knocked off Panthers 9-2 and are in third.

Jeff Richardson made the high start with 120, terry hancock opened with 112 and "tons" came from Paul Kavanagh and Mike Vernon. Kavanagh also had six starts in a good effort. Mike Hope had three starts. Three closes each for Dan Abercrombie, Shawn Warwick (including the match winning double), Nick Thomas and Jeff Richardson.



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