

### Acton Team Smites S. and S, 10 to 2

Baxter Labs hockey team came back to Acton Sunday four points ahead of the industrial league's second placing team, following a victory over Smith and Stone. Final score was a wide 10-2.

In the first period, Cunningham whammed in the first goal at 3:05 on assists from McCristall and Allen. Then at 4:25, Acton's second goal was added by Cunningham again, from Allan.

Second period scorers were Zajak from Cunningham; Stewart from Allen and Zajak; Robinson from McCristall; Cunningham from Stewart and Allen.

In the third period, goal credits were to Stewart from Allen; Cunningham from McCristall; Robinson from McCristall and McCristall from Allen.

Georgetown goals were scored by King and Hiltz from King.

## O.M.H.A. Entries, League Backed By Sports Club

They call it the town league! That's because it's all inclusive—gives boys from town as well as the surrounding district every chance to play hockey with kids their own age under the supervision of men who know what the game is all about.

It started as a project of the Minor Sports Club under modest circumstances with 50 or 60 boys, nucleus of the old school league, taking part. Last year, the league's most successful to date, an estimated 150 boys made up 10 teams in three divisions—paper weight, Junior and senior. This year, with three entries in the O.M.H.A. in addition to the town circuit, the league looks like it is going to surpass all expectations.

It seems that every boy in Acton from the age of seven to 20 wants to play hockey. With two nights a week—Tuesday and Thursday—allocated exclusively to their activities, there still doesn't seem to be enough time to let every team play. However, things are beginning to shape up now and officials of the Minor Sports Club expect that more

ice time will be available on Saturday and Wednesday afternoons for the paper weights, who as yet are just in the formative stage. Unlike other towns where the kids must pay to play, the town, in conjunction with the Sports Club, has made it possible for everyone to play free. All that is necessary is a pair of skates and preferably a stick but you aren't likely to be refused even that if you can't afford one.

**Off to a Start**  
With Al Kirkness and Walter Kentner laying a smooth sheet of ice as you could shake a stick at, town league was advised it could start activities last Thursday night. Using the time for organization, the league was all ready to swing into a schedule on Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

In the first game Tuesday, Ernie Marks' team met Doug Dawkins' and skated off with a 4-2 win. Big gun for the Marks' marksmen was Peter Hurst, who bagged two goals while Brian Gervais and Peter Marks each scored one for the winners.

For the Dawkins club, Bruce Andrews, and Bob Washman broke through to score. Only one penalty was given and that to Tom Oakley of the winners.

The second game saw Mike Cox's and Reg Black's teams clash with the Cox's club being managed by Doug Dawkins in the absence of Mike. This game was a little bit one-sided as the Cox's club whipped the Blacks, 14-3. Quite a bit of hockey playing, Fred Currie led the winners with five goals and an assist. Tom Oakley scored four and Frank Mason and Edward Melodie a pair apiece, while Don Brown completed their scoring with a single.

For the losers, who couldn't seem to get going until the third period, when they scored all their goals, Bill Johnston with a goal and an assist, Martin Marks and Peter Hurst with one apiece, shared the scoring.

On Thursday night, in the first game, Dawkins' team meets Black's and Marks vs. Cox in the second game of the junior division.

The senior division got off to a rough and rugged start when Kerwin McPhail's team met Harold Townsley's in the curtain lifter. No results are available for this game.

**O.M.H.A. Entries Play**  
With all these boys to keep an eye on, the Minor Sports Club also has the three O.M.H.A. entries to confuse them. Those who play in any of these teams are not permitted to play in the town league.

The juveniles, who are being coached by Vic Masters and Mike Cox, have one game under their belts already as have the Midgets, who are being handled by Kerwin McPhail. Both teams lost by one goal to Bridgeport last week in Waterloo. The Banatons, who as yet have not played, are managed by "Stew" Elliott and Gordie James.

**Town league line-ups:**  
Ernie Marks' team—Bob Marshall, goal; D. Lindsay, B. Tennant; D. Woodburn, B. Greer, B. Gervais, D. Hunter, K. Massey, J. Denny, P. Marks, B. McPherson, W. Spiras, G. Holmes.  
Doug Dawkins' team—G. Williamson, goal; T. Masales, J. Hurst, D. Cook, K. Mainprize, B. Andrews, H. Jank, B. Wahlman, T. Jennings, E. Lawson, P. Coles, K. Dudds, B. Thorarinson, Wagner.  
Mike Cox's team—Wahlman, B. Dawkins, P. Lawson, W. Ridley, A. Williams, M. Hurst, W. Marshall, E. Melodie, E. McMillan, Don Brown, Armstrong, G. Oakes, B. McCoy, D. McMullen.  
Reg. Black's team—Clow, goal; J. Jones, D. Pearl, B. Jones, C. Sunter, W. Halladay, B. Elliot, R. Holway, W. Currie, B. Kirkness, B. Stewart, B. Johnston, J. Graham, M. Marks, P. Hurst.

### POUNDRING THE SPORTS BEAT

with A. Vengeance

**MILTON CO-OPS** and Georgetown Raiders, two teams that probably would have followed the opposition they're encountering in the Big Seven with one bite couple of years ago, aren't doing anything startling this semester. In fact, the Raiders are a poor fifth while the Co-ops are struggling to keep a hold on the fourth rung.

The league's doormats, Fergus Thistles, are in even a worse predicament. Out of 15 games played, the Thistles have managed to salvage one solitary win and a tie. They're woefully weak in every department with the exception of goal where they have Neath, one of the best Guelph has to offer.

The win? It was at the expense of the Raiders. And the tie? Yes, the Co-ops were victims that time. Although you've read in the dailies what a power packed aggregation Collingwood has and how they are drifting to their third straight intermediate A championship, you can take it with a grain of salt. The Shipbuilders are lucky they aren't in intermediate B.

**Elmira Polar Kings** just a B club, appear to be leading the league. No one has defeated them yet and there's no one breathing down their necks. They defeated Collingwood easily in their first appearance and judging by the way they're going now, will repeat the feat.

In second place in the group is Oakville with eight wins and but three losses. The Klippers defeated Milton last Friday night in a game that took three hours to complete. A bar-room brawl broke out in the third period that involved spectators as well as players. Final score 8-5.

**IT LOOKS** as if Baxter Labs might repeat their feat of last year by winning the Sheeney Tost Memorial trophy if their pace at the present time is any indication of what to expect in the play-offs.

They consolidated their hold on first place in the league by downing Smith and Stone 10-2 on Sunday afternoon although only eight men made the trip to Georgetown. Playing in Acton on Monday night, where the league will convene every week, the Vacollers smote Burns Transport 5-2.

The Labmen have lost only one game—their first of the season when they were out of practice and just beginning to get their ice legs.

Two new additions to the team this year, John Cunningham and Phil McCristall have added a lot of scoring punch to the Lab attack. They play every Monday in the arena and it's the nearest thing Acton has to O.H.A. hockey. It might be worth your while to take a look.

**BEAT BITS**... When the town league got off to a start this week most of the officials of the Minor Sports Club breathed an

### Milton, Palermo Lead: Acton Drags

Milton and Palermo junior farmers' hockey teams head the four team league with 10 points each, following the weekly games at Milton arena on Monday evening. Norval is third with 8 points and Acton drags last with no wins yet.

In the first game this week, Palermo defeated Milton with a close 1-0 score. The goal getter for Palermo was Johnny Pegg and the one penalty of the game went to Graham Gillies of Milton.

In the second game, Norval defeated Acton 6-0. Barry Archer paced the Norval attack with three goals. Earl Wilson scored two and John Currie one. The two penalties of the game went to Currie and Wilson of Norval.

Shots on goal in this game were 48 on the Acton net and 17 on the Norval net.

The schedule is now about half over. It has been decided to have all four teams in the play-offs.

The team standing is as follows:

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Milton	7	5	2	0	45	13	10
Palermo	7	5	2	0	38	20	10
Norval	7	4	3	0	42	23	8
Acton	7	0	7	0	10	66	0

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Audible sigh of relief. With so many teams to be formed and kids all over the premises clamouring to know what team they were on, the confusion wasn't amusing. Hence, when the curtain was lifted Tuesday Bill Holloway, Gord Cunningham, Stew Elliott, Doug Dawkins, Reg. Black, Ernie Marks and a few others felt a big load slide off their shoulders.

Freddie Kentner, who was playing for Mahers in the Toronto major leagues has been in Harry Spurling playing for the Shamrocks there for the past three weeks. Offered a trip to Scotland to play, Freddie was eager to go, but the C.A.H.A. refused permission since a couple of his buddies had already gone and a quota system exists.

Note in the 50 Years Ago column of the Free Press that Acton was helping out Georgetown and Milton in their hockey teams of that date. Seems things have progressed instead of progressing in the last 50 years since a similar situation exists today.

Mac Sprowl, who heads up the Junior Farmer hockey for the Acton district, attributes his team's poor standing to players who haven't shown up yet, the advantage of the other teams who have players playing both industrial and junior farmer hockey and the lack of years in quite a few of his players.

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Playing for the first time this season in Acton, the Baxter Labs hockey team put on a good show for the partisan home crowd, defeating Burns Transport of Georgetown by 5-2 Monday in Acton arena.

The Acton team played Georgetown first, followed by a second game between the two other teams in the industrial league. The games are generally played in Georgetown.

Acton goals were scored by McCristall from Cunningham and Stewart; Allen from Masters; Cunningham; McCristall from Cunningham and Allen; Cunningham from McCristall.

The Georgetown goals were credited to Baxter and Mike George.

There was one official each from Acton and Georgetown.

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