

# Pounding the Sports Beat



**BASEBALL?** With the first flakes of snow starting to fall who wants to talk baseball? Pete McMullen, that's who.

For the first time in its long history the Halton County Baseball Association is holding a fall meeting. The place?—Milton Legion hall—and the date is November 15.

An increase in team enrollment has provided league president Pete McMullen into executive action. Thirty-seven clubs registered with the Association the past season, almost double the normal enrollment. Problems have also multiplied.

The meeting will attempt, among other things, to enlighten new members of the Association on some of the privileges and responsibilities which go with league membership.

For the Juvenile Lions it will be their third game—they've got two exhibition losses to Hespeler under their belts—but for the Midgets and Bantams it will be a first appearance. Both the last mentioned clubs have had one practice but little ice time was registered.

It will be a familiar story for these two teams again this season. All the other clubs, in centres with artificial ice, will be a jump or two ahead of the local kids.

Next year, with a sparkling new artificial ice layout operating, the Acton kids may have the jump on them. Even this season will probably see a decided improvement in the quality of minor hockey played in Acton.

**HAROLD TOWNSELEY** was one of the seven veteran players with Milton's intermediate hockey club to be honored at a special night last week. The seven were presented with engraved mugs which look suspiciously like they have been made to hold suds.

Others feted at the banquet included Art Melanson, Fred Leaver, Joe McCann, Murray Grenke, Donny Evans and Johnny Heipel. All of them are familiar names to Acton and district fans. Donny Evans, of course was a net-minder with Acton Intermediates in the immediate post-war years, coming here from Georgetown where he played a large role in eliminating Acton the previous season.

Harold Townsley has played with Milton teams since Acton intermediate hockey folded up. This season fans can expect to see Harold back in an Acton uniform for the first time in 11 years when he plays for the Acton entry in the W.O.A.A.

He was one of the prime movers behind the revival of intermediate hockey here. Sickness has prevented Harold from taking an active part in hockey activity as he would have liked to in the past few years but fans here hope he takes an active part on the forward lines for Acton's new hockey club.

**THURSDAY** (tonight) sees all three Acton minor hockey clubs entered in the Tri-County league make their official 1961-62 debut against Oakville in the lakeshore metropolis.

## Lions Play in Sin Bin Lose to Hespeler Juves

Coach Ben Bavliiss took Acton Lions' juvenile hockey club to Hespeler for another exhibition game Saturday night. The Lions came back on the short end of a 5-2 score after a fast and furious contest which was marred by many penalties.

At one point during the second period, five Hespeler players were joined by three Lions in the penalty box. The Acton penalties were costly — two of the Hespeler goals were scored with Lions serving sentences.

Hespeler took the lead in the first five minutes with two goals within four seconds and the score stayed at 2-0 until the end of the first chapter. At the 5:20 mark of the second stanza, Hespeler added another.

Ian Johnson took a pass inside his own blue line and with a neat solo effort, deked the Hespeler defense, let a shot fly from just inside the other blue line that scored and put the Lions back in the game. That was at 10:05.

**Penalties Costly**

The Lions put on the pressure then, but it wasn't until the five

minute mark of the last period that 14-year-old Merv Marshall turned Denis Gibbons' pass into game well timed goal, making the score 3-2. It looked then like the Lions' uphill battle to tie the score might succeed, but penalty Hespeler the game on a platter.

With two Lions sitting out penalties, the Hespeler crew banged in a goal at 15:05 and 45 seconds later, put the game beyond reach with another.

The game was the last exhibition for the Lions until tonight's (Thursday) opening of the Tri-County hockey league in Oakville when they open the schedule.

Another 14-year-old joined the club for Saturday's contest in the person of Johnny Gov. He fitted into the team well and showed good control of the puck.

Acton: John Leatherland, g. Bill Dawkins, Waring, Bowen, Ron Mellon, Ron Maxwell, Ian Johnson, Garnet Rosszell, Terry Waterhouse, Denis Gibbons, Johnny Gov, Mervin Marshall, Jim McDonald, Ray Bustell, Bob Ritchie.

### EVERTON

#### Winter in Florida For W. McNeills

Mr. and Mrs. William McNeill left on Monday to spend the winter in Florida.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Benham were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bee and family, Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore, Rick and Randy, Guelph, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Auld and son, Elora.

Mrs. E. Dampier, Ballinafad, is visiting with her brother, Mr. Roy Hindley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Edwards and family of Guelph visited on Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jestin, Patsy and Nancy visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Milne and family of Rockwood.

Mrs. Clara Blacklock, Toronto, spent a few days with Mrs. John Alton and Miss Jennie Tovell.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Peavoy were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Holmes and Miss Agnes Holmes of Listowel, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reed of Lambeth, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Schmidt of Hespeler and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bagg of Guelph.



TWO FORMER Acton intermediate hockey players were among seven honored by the Milton hockey club last Wednesday night. Acton's Harold Townsley (left), Joe McCann and Lorne (Dooney) Evans chat with Canadian Amateur Hockey Association president, Jack Roxborough, left, and club president, Stu Fitzpatrick, right, during the evening.

### Six Team Group

## Old Rivals in Int. Group

Four Acton delegates attended a special meeting of the Western Ontario Athletic Association last night (Wednesday) in Wingham, at which groupings were arranged.

Acton's new intermediate hockey club was included in a six team

intermediate circuit composed of: ERIN, ELORA, FERGUS, BRESLAU, HILLSBURGH, ACTON.

The Acton delegates, Ross Balentine, Bob Marshall, Ed Footitt and George Haggert, were disappointed that Mount Forest and Listowel were not included in the group. These teams were inserted in another grouping to give it strength.

A meeting next week will draw up a schedule for the teams. The first games will probably be played the first week of December.

Ross Nelson, Fergus, is convenor of the group.

Although no official date has been announced for the opening of Acton's new Community Centre, it is expected ice will be available in the first week of December, a date which will coincide with the return of intermediate hockey to Acton.

# SPORTS

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### Tri-County Midget Games Released

Following is the schedule for the Acton Midget entry in the Tri-County Minor Hockey League:

Thurs. Nov. 9, 8:30 p.m. — Acton at Oakville.

Wed. Nov. 22, 7 p.m. — Acton at Georgetown.

Mon. Nov. 27, 8 p.m. — Acton at Milton.

Sat. Dec. 9, 8 p.m. — Acton at Hespeler.

Sat. Dec. 23, 7 p.m. — Acton at Orangeville.

Sat. Dec. 30, 8 p.m. — Acton at Brampton.

Tues. Jan. 30, 8:30 — Acton at Preston.

Acton's home games will be scheduled later, when their ice time is known. Each team to supply 1 referee, visiting referee the referee-in-chief.

4 penalties in one game carries a 1 game suspension. A fight in the last 5 minutes of a game carries a 1 game suspension.

### George Harrap Guest During Rotary Dinner

Acton Rotarians were privileged Tuesday evening, during their weekly dinner meeting, to hear an excellent address by George Harrap, an official at the H. K. Porter plant, entitled "Remembrance Day".

During a song-song, guest Rotarian Bill Carr from the Georgetown club acted as pianist. The attendance was down by four members since the hunting season interfered with the meeting night.

Rotarians expected a venison feed following the hunters' return, but following reports received Tuesday evening, they will have to settle for the usual excellent meals served by their caterers.

### Fete Warden

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Toasts were proposed to the warden by Reeve E. C. Tilley of Oakville and replied to by the warden, to county council by A. R. Service and replied to by Reeve R. J. Hargrave of Acton, and to the past wardens by Reeve John Charlton of Milton and replied to by K. Y. Dick, John Wilson of Halton Junior Farmers gave two vocal solos and flowers were presented to the ladies at the head table by Deputy-Reeve H. H. Hinton of Acton, Wilfred Bird of Esquewing and John Elliott of Georgetown.

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### High Runners

Allan Hall and Keith Ranney, representing Acton high school in the Ontario Federation of Secondary School Athletic cross-country meet, both turned in outstanding performances last Saturday.

Competing against teams from Sudbury, North Bay, Ottawa, Caledonia, Hagerstown, Toronto, Streetsville and many other centres, the two Acton boys running for the first time in inter-school meets both placed well up in their races.

Running in a field of 217, Allan Hall placed 16th in the junior one and a half mile race. Keith Ranney came 25th in the senior three and a half mile race out of a field of over 200 runners, many of them experienced.

The course was laid out at Boyd Conservation park at Woodbridge, Ontario.

**ONE PERMIT**

Nassagawewa Township issued one building permit during October, a \$1,000 permit for a garage. It brings the year's total to \$110,500.

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FROM 10 A.M. TO 12 NOON

in  
**Acton Legion Auditorium**  
AGE GROUP FROM 8 TO 16 YEARS  
Not including present O.M.H.A. players

**Managers and Coaches Needed!**

### Minor Hockey Notes

**MIDGET**

First practice for the Midgets was in Milton arena last Thursday. Twenty boys were out trying for a spot on the team. Tuesday night in Georgetown arena the boys put another session under their belts.

First game of the schedule is Thursday (tonight). When the team meets Oakville at 8:00 p.m. Cars leave the Legion Hall parking lot at 7 p.m. sharp.

Thanks are due to Barry Insee who has been coaching till Lino Maroz takes over the reins in the first league game. Thanks also to Merv Nesset and Albert Marshall for supplying car transport to practices.

Three delegates from Acton representing the Bantam, Midget and Juvenile hockey teams and two visitors were among the over 400 delegates who attended the 28th annual O.M.H.A. meeting at the King Edward hotel in Toronto last Saturday.

**JUVENILE**

Twenty fans from Acton were on hand in Hespeler Saturday night to see Acton's Juvenile Lions lose an exhibition to Hespeler. Club officials see this as an indication of a large following for the Lions this season.

The keeper of this page is indebted to Alex Johnson for his reports of the Juvenile games for publication.

This space will be open each week for minor hockey news. If you have any information just phone the Free Press. After 6 p.m. 724M.

The Legion is going to sponsor a minor hockey league this season. Registration for boys 8 to 16 is in the legion auditorium from 10-12 a.m., Saturday, November 18th.

### With the Acton Boy Scouts

By Bruce Williamson

I would like you to realize the true aim of Scout training. We are not out to train a special race of short-trousered adults. Though it is true that we shall need the help of many of our present Scouts as leaders in the years that lie ahead, this is not the purpose of our training.

The Scout Movement aims to train boys to become fine men, imbued with the Scout ideals, who can take their place as leaders in the world. In scouting, we have the dual task of helping to train our Scouts to think and of turning their minds toward the ordinary interests and pleasures of normal adult life.

Quite a number of boys, when they leave school, find they have more leisure time available. Through our Rover Scout program, we try to help show them how to use it.

**Rightful Place**

We must also see that the Scout Law and Promise make their rightful place in the life of the troop and in the lives of each of our Scouts. Duty to God and the Queen must be looked on as matters of paramount importance. The Scout Law must be the yardstick by which all conduct is judged.

These are the things we want our Scouts and our sons to take with them into manhood. The people of Acton have made a fine contribution towards this end by their great support of the Scout Movement on Apple Day.

You have proven that you have a keen interest in scouting and are a source of strength to the physical, mental and spiritual problems attendant on approach to manhood.

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### Local Reps are in Attendance At 28th Minor Hockey Annual

The 28th annual meeting of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association was held Saturday at the King Edward hotel in Toronto and included in the record high-attendance were a number of local gentlemen.

A record 404 delegates, representing the teams entered in the O.M.H.A. in 1960-61 made the meeting one of the finest ever held by the group. It was noted by retiring president Frank Doherty of Thorold.

Taking over the post of president for the 1961-62 season is Ted Elmes of Galt, last term's first vice-president. Following in his footsteps is Albert Watkins of Peterborough who is now first vice-president and Doug Patterson of Stirling, second vice-president. Stan Stokes, London is third vice-president.

**New Executive**

New executive members named are Jim Kinkley of Napanee and Stu Reid of Bracebridge who joined Lloyd Davidson of Chatham, Cliff Gabel of Preston, Gord Hawes of Whitby, Wes Oswald of Forest and Eric Wessely of Owen Sound to form the 1961-62 executive. Gary McLeod of Toronto begins his sixth year as president and Jim Whiston of Scarborough returns as treasurer and assistant.

**Tri-County Repts**

Other towns with teams entered in the Tri-County hockey league were well represented with a number of gentlemen including Bill Burrill, the hard working secretary-statistician of the Tri-County League attending from Brampton. The Tri-County League is one of the largest of its type within the O.M.H.A. organization and is cited yearly as a top proving grounds for young hockey players from Pee Wee up to the juvenile age bracket. (Pee Wee and bantam were added to the league's itinerary this year for the first time after several years following first juvenile and then midget clubs. The league now has over 25 teams in its ranks representing some eight towns).

Guest speaker at the dinner was Frank Selke, managing director of the Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League. Mr. Selke noted the Canadiens organization put \$300,000 into helping some 1,000 hockey clubs across the Dominion in the 1960-61 season. He stressed that if this was not helping hockey it's no good and added if the group had any ideas, he felt sure his associates would work on them.

"After all, our interests are interwoven, a player must make the pro ranks in order to move himself, but you the minor hockey people must first develop him."

It has been discussed in recent years that possible pro sponsorship of amateur hockey has killed the sport in some phase and Mr. Selke left the thought in mind of the minor hockey executive to bring forth any ideas to Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, so the league heads could mull them over.

**NOTES:** Several key guests were present including the heads of the C.A.H.A., O.H.A., W.O.A.A., N.O.H.A., T.H.L. and Nathan Phillips, mayor of Toronto. Several of the delegates and visitors attended the N.H.L. game between Chicago Black Hawks and Toronto Maple Leafs at the gardens at night. It is estimated over 700 persons sat down to the dinner at which the guests were announced and the final vote received. The president of the Tri-County hockey league was nominated for the executive by the Oakville Minor Hockey Association but the nomination was not in early enough and therefore his name was not included in the listings. A referees' forum is to be held in Brampton later this month by the O.M.H.A.

### C.G.I.T. NEWS

Knox church C.G.I.T. Halloween party was held October 31. We played games which included a tasting test. Then we ate a box lunch which each girl had brought for herself and her friend. After supper we danced for apples in a bucket of water. A prize was given for the best costume. Margie Mackenzie won it. She was dressed as a mummy. The party ended with taps.

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## REMEMBRANCE DAY

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**SATURDAY, NOV. 11**

Formation of Parade for Legion and all other organizations

- 10:30 A.M. ACTON LEGION AUDITORIUM
- 10:45 A.M. SERVICE AT CENOTAPH
- 11 A.M. CHURCH SERVICE Acton United Church
- HALTONVILLE SERVICE 2:30 p.m. at Cenotaph
- ROCKWOOD SERVICE Sunday, Nov. 12 at 11:15 a.m. Rockwood United Church

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