

Tanners Win Seventh Straight

The season's largest paying crowd, estimated at the 600 figure, saw Acton Tanners edge a much improved Milton Charles club 5-4 in an intermediate W.O.A.A. contest Friday night at the Community Centre. It was the Tanners' seventh straight win and solidly entrenched them in second place in the seven team league, a game behind league leading Orangeville.

Playing their second game in as many nights, the Tanners tried hard in the second period and in the early moments of the third. The Milton club, opportunistic, twice grabbed the lead while the Tanners wilted.

McDonald fired winner

There was still enough vigour left for the locals to equalize the count however, and at the 9:15 mark of the third stanza Stu McDonald broke the 4-4 tie, with what proved to be the game-winning goal from a scramble in front of the Milton net.

In a desperation move, coach Eric Schultz, former Black Hawk, winged, reminded Don Clark in favor of an extra forward with a minute left to play. The move failed mainly because the Tanners won the important face-offs and fired desperately at the Milton net for an insurance marker. Twice the puck narrowly missed the yawning net, bringing a moan from the crowd.

Twice leading goal

Goalkeepers at both ends of the rink kept the score down with fine time-tending but Don (Red) Bear Anderson in the Tanners' cage was superlative at times. The Acton blueline brigade, showing the efforts of the previous night's contest, was caught in the Milton end on at least three occasions while Milton forwards bore in on Anderson.

He coolly stopped all their threats until help arrived in the form of tired Tanners. The Milton club too, felt the strain of the game. They were trying for their third straight win.

Play Meters Goal

Jim Casburn put the Tanners ahead in the very first minute of play only to have Wilson tie it up at 8:50 while Fred Kentner served a cross checking sentence. The period ended 1-1.

Action went ahead again early in the second frame as a goal by Bud Haines, but sloppy clearing let the Charles tie it again. And when Don Wilson's long screen shot from just inside the blueline registered it put the visitors ahead.

Township Tie II

With less than three minutes remaining in the second, Harold Townsley's punt knotted the count again to end the period 3-3.

Both teams were a man short when Milton jumped into a 4-3 lead in the second minute of the third. Hardly more than a minute later Emerson (Heaver) Baxter hanked one in off the goal post. It was tied again.

Then after some terrific pressure on the Milton goaltender, Stu McDonald flipped in a back-

Tanners Take Sixth Straight Wallop Cheltenham 9-3

Taking turns at racking up hat tricks, the line control by Jim Casburn and Hanked on either side by Don Aubin and Harold Townsley, kept the Tanners to a 9-3 win over Cheltenham in a W.O.A.A. intermediate game Thursday night in 15th. It was the Tanners' sixth straight win.

It was Harold Townsley's turn to fire the three goals as the Acton club, back at full strength, poured the coal on in the second and third periods. First chapter ended in a 1-0-1 tie.

Three in Second

The Tanners fired three unanswered goals in the second stanza and blasted another four packets behind a busy Frank Benham in the final. Cheltenham could beat Don Anderson, in the Acton net, only once after the first period.

Townsley's chapeau winners were nearly matched by usual Jim Casburn, who pulled the trigger on two goals and collected three assists. Stu McDonald also collected a pair of markers while Don Aubin and Freddy Kentner shot singletons.

Eighteen penalties were assessed by the referees, who gave majors to Ted Foutitt and Benham, the Cheltenham goalies, for trading punches in the second period.

For Cheltenham, R. Halliday, Bill Wanless and Don McKenzie were marksmen.



Hat Trick for Harold



Founding the Sports Beat

FOLLOWING are the scoring statistics for the Tanners after nine games in 1962. They were prepared by Bob Macdonald, who also doubles as referee as the official statistician for the Acton club.

Player	GP	G	A	Pt.
J. Casburn	9	9	12	21
D. Aubin	9	8	13	21
H. Townsley	9	9	11	20
S. McDonald	9	8	7	15
B. Baxter	9	7	7	14
H. Mellor	8	7	6	13
N. Love	9	4	7	11
M. Stafford	6	2	6	8
H. Haines	7	1	6	7
B. Malcoln	6	1	6	7
F. Kentner	7	3	3	6
P. McCristall	7	5	1	6
Pete Lawson	0	0	5	5
F. Barber	7	-1	4	5
T. Foutitt	2	2	1	3

Goalkeepers

Player	GP	W	L
J. Marshall	4	4	0
D. Anderson	4	4	0

YOU'LL NOTICE, without any comment from this scribe, which forward line has been the most productive for the Tanners to date despite being split up on at least two occasions when Harold Townsley was moved back to defense.

Controlled by dipsy-doodler Jim Casburn, flanked by Don Aubin and Harold Townsley, the line has accounted for 26 goals and 36 assists in nine games for a point total of 62.

Leading defenseman is Max Stafford, closely pursued by Fred Kentner. Pete Lawson and Paul Barber are not far behind either.

In the goalkeeping department, Don Anderson has yet to suffer a defeat in four set appearances. Jackie Marshall lost the first 100 by one and two goal margins and came back to win in his next three appearances.

Syl Apps' Son Leads Visitors To 7-1 Victory

League leaders in the T.I.L.L. Junior 'C' group, Scarborough Hoppe Tuols aggressive junior club dealt Acton Lions their first loss of the season in a tough exhibition contest, here, last night.

Led by Bill Apps, smooth-skating replica of his famous father, Syl, the Scarborough club scored four first period goals, one in the second and two in the third for a 7-1 win. John Gow, who along with Merv Marshall was brought up from the midgets for the game, scored the lone Acton counter on a neat solo effort.

The O.I.L.A. release who blew the whistle for the contest called against the Lions in the first period which Bill Apps took. He made no mistake, whipping his shot into the rigging before Acton goalkeeper Andy Williams could make a move.

The Lions will return to Scarborough for a game later this month and they are also preparing for a big game, here, Friday, February 2nd, when St. Michael's Juniors play an exhibition.

For Barry Incoe, last night's loss was his first since he donned the coach's mantle. "It's the first real test the team has had," he said, "most of our exhibitions have been soft touches."

WITH THE MINORS

By Art Cooper

MENTIONED a couple of weeks ago that this town's reputation at Tri-County headquarters leaves something to be desired. A phone call to league secretary Bill Burrell not only verified grapevine settlings, but added a little fuel to an apparently already boiling pot.

Bill stated that our fair town is not only in bad shape, but that we are precariously close to getting the old heave-ho unless some steps are taken to remedy the lack of co-operation between Acton and officials at league headquarters.

In answer to this scribe's query as to the basic problem Bill offered the following:

(a) Acton's Tri-County executive member has been conspicuous by his absence at every association executive meeting thus far this season.

(b) Acton entered a juvenile squad at the beginning of the year and because of "spontaneous" problems did not enter a midget team (due to the league constitution this situation allows boys of midget age to play juvenile). Then at a late date Acton bent association rules by a last-minute newly-sponsored Midget entry. As a topper to an already confusing situation the juvenile squad pulled out of the league after one contest. This type of thing makes yards-of-extra-book-

W.O.A.A. Hockey Standing

As of Dec. 31, 1962

Team	W	L	T	Pts
Orangeville	10	9	1	20
Acton	9	7	2	14
Fergus	7	4	3	10
Cheltenham	9	5	1	7
Milton	4	2	6	4
Elora	4	3	1	1
Hillsburgh	5	5	0	0

* Played 4-point games with Hillsburgh.

Tough Grind

Acton Tanners face what is probably their toughest part of the schedule this week with three games scheduled. Two of these are away.

Friday, the tough Elora Rocks invade the community centre. The Tanners will be trying for their eighth straight win.

Monday, the club journeys to Orangeville for a bout with the league-leading Dufferins. The teams have split their previous two contests.

Then the following night, Tuesday — the Tanners travel to Fergus for a bout with the always difficult Fergus Flyers. Flyers have a win over Acton by one goal. Tuesday's game is the postponed contest of December 4.

A LATER telephone conversation that same eve uncovered a few more facts concerning the situation at Tri-County.

Ernie Marks, who's Acton's Tri-County executive member, insists that this title is in name only and stated emphatically that Continued on Page Five

Industrial Hockey Sees...

Town Criers in Top Spot

Town Criers, buried deep in the cellar two weeks ago, have made the big charge from the industrial league bottom to the top. They accomplished this Sunday by dropping Cyclones 8-4. It gave them two points and a share of first place with Raiders.

Cyclones, as a result, dropped into a tie for last place with Chargers, both only two points off the pace setters.

Ray Bastell paced the Town Criers with four goals, half their total, followed by Turk Shepherd

Burlington Raps Midgets 9-1 Sat.

Coach Ilio Marzu was pleased with the performance of Acton Midgets against Burlington Saturday despite a 9-1 posting. The local kids absorbed down on the lakeshore. They played a much better game than the score shows, missing several scoring opportunities.

Extra practice sessions during the school holidays seemed to pay off against the bigger and heavier "A" squad. Bill Cook sniped the only Acton goal.

The midgets meet the strong Oakville "A" team, here, Friday night at 7:00 p.m. and those extra sessions on the ice will be needed. They are practicing again tonight (Thursday) at 5:15.

A self-sustaining operation, the midget club is still soliciting donations to keep the club going.

Apply Whitewash Brush In Close Town League Tilts

Winding up 1962 in the old familiar pattern, the town league's bustling wump pucketers battled through an afternoon of close, clean hockey with the usual number of stalemates and close decisions at the Community Centre Saturday afternoon.

Junior "A"

In the first game of this league's twin bill, Guelph closed the door on Niagara Falls with a 2-0 count. Dale Fisher sniped both corners for the Royal City crew, assisted by Jay Boukhill and Eddie Gagnon.

The second game saw the first place Hamiltonians, battle to a 5-2 tie with a much improved St. Catharines squad. Scoring for St. Kitts were Billie Fricker and Danny McCalloway, both unassisted. Gary Phelanoff fired a brace for Hamilton.

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6-8 p.m. - Industrial League
8:30 to 10 p.m. - Adult Skating Club

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