

Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

IT COULD BE an early spring for Acton Tanners. In fact it might even come before the calendar officially announces it's here!

We can beat Acton! said one official. "They play sloppy hockey at times. We'll catch them off balance and let them take the penalties." Apparently it worked Tuesday.

THROUGHOUT THE SEASON the Flyers club didn't really belong on the same ice with the Tanners. They didn't start to look like a team until late in the schedule. Then they knocked off both Durham and Acton in the latter end of the schedule.

Reason for their resurgence was the return of Bob Bobbie, John McCabe and Barry Redwood to the line-up. There were no more half-baked efforts. They were out to win.

When Don Prickett's hot there isn't a goalie in the league can touch him. Right now he's on a hot streak. The Tanners will have two opportunities to tie up and lead the series at home since the next two games are in Acton. First is tomorrow night (Friday) and the series resumes here next Thursday, followed by a game in Fergus Friday.

BEAT BITS... Members of the Guelph Legion Track Club are sporting new track suits in blue with a yellow crest and Legion emblem on the shoulders. Acton boys with the club include Keith Roxney, Allan Hall, Dave Ryder, Paul Murray, Jim Slaves and Allan McKenzie. Coach in Acton is E. G. Franklin. Following the example of the H. K. Porter plant the boys in this establishment played their annual hockey game last night. Unlike the Porter plant where the office plays the plant this one is the married men against the single fellows. More next week if we're able to write.

OBITUARY

James H. Taylor Buried at Fairview James Herbert Taylor, a long-time resident of Acton before moving to Guelph 12 years ago, died February 21 in Guelph General Hospital. He had been a resident at the Elliott Home in Guelph prior to a brief illness when he was hospitalized. He was in his 83rd year.

Born in England in 1883 at Chester, he came to Canada in 1904 and married the former Mabel Hall who predeceased him in 1938. He worked at Beard, Moore and Co. until the time of his retirement. He was also predeceased by a son George killed in action during World War II. Left to mourn his loss are three sons: Herbert of Guelph, James Henry of London and William Joseph of Toronto, a sister in England and five grandchildren.

Mr. Taylor was well known by older residents of town when he lived with his family on Brock Street. He was a member of St. Alban's Anglican church. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ritchie McMurray Thursday, February 24 at the Rumley-Shoemaker Funeral Home with interment in Fairview cemetery. Pallbearers were: Fred Anderson, a long-time friend and neighbor; nephews Billiard Price, Herbert Price and Norman Price, and a friend Peter Fisher.

Mr. Taylor was a subscriber to the Free Press for about 50 years and looked forward to seeing each issue.

Dedicate Flag

The Cubs' new Canadian flag was dedicated Sunday morning at the United Church. Cubs, Guides and Brownies paraded in to the church with their color party and filled the front pews at the 11 o'clock service. The occasion was one of a series of special events during Guide week. The Rev. Dwight Engel spoke especially to the young people, urging them to "keep an eye out" where they are and where they are going, but not to look back.

New Word For Bettors At Mohawk

A new word enters the language of racing in 1966 and visitors to Mohawk Raceway, Campbellville, will be sure to notice it. The word is EXACTOR and it replaces the familiar word QUINELLA on racing programs. The term Exactor is a contraction of two words, exact order, and it will apply to the daily race formerly called the Quinella on Jockey Club tracks. It involves the race in which the bettors try to pick horses in the exact order of finish.

SCORING SUMMARY ACTON 8 - DURHAM 5

Table with columns for Player Name, Goals, and Points. Includes names like D.-J. Nixon, A.-Townesley (M. Marchment), A.-J. Cunningham, etc.

Church Parade To St. Joseph's

In memory of the founder of the Scout Movement, Lord Baden-Powell, around 25 Guides, Brownies and Cubs of the Roman Catholic faith attended a church parade Sunday morning at the 10.30 a.m. mass at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church.

Slides From Japan Shown to Chapter

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter I.O.D.E. met at the home of Mrs. H. S. Holmes for the regular meeting March 1. The recent Mrs. Force conducted a short business meeting. A letter was read from Jean Balmer asking the chapter to sponsor a student to go to the seminar at Waterloo. At the close of the meeting Joe Petric entertained with selections on his accordion which were much enjoyed by the members.

LOWER GATE

50-cent gate for late arrivals at Mohawk Raceway, Campbellville, is being initiated for 1966 racing. It goes into effect following the sixth race at the eight-race thoroughbred programs each afternoon, and following the seventh race at the nine-race harness programs each night. Otherwise, admission at all tracks remains the same as previous years.

Town League Bantams Lose Exhibition to Oaks

The bantam All-Stars from the Legion Town League which will be one of the teams representing Acton in the Four Town Tournament, lost a 9-6 decision to a town league team from Oakville Saturday.

Arranged to give the Acton team some experience for the tourney in Georgetown, March 12, the game was close all through. Oakville outscored Acton 4-3 in the first period, had a 4-2 margin in the second and split two goals in the third.

Flyers Upset Tanners In Playoff Opener

Armed with a formula for beating the Tanners, Fergus Flyers pulled another upset out of the hockey grab bag Tuesday night. They trampled the Durham star Jim Nixon, the host-seven group semifinal in Fergus.

Playoffs Start Sunday

Dusters Finish on Top Ind. League

Dusters gained most of the season honors in Acton Industrial Hockey League action. Tom Oakley's team wound up in first place, one point ahead of the Royals and the league's high scorer, Harry Red Phillips, was a Duster performer.

Playoff action will begin Sunday evening with the first place Dusters taking on the third place Cyclones in the first game, scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

Royals Clinch Second

The Royals clinched second place in the league standings on Sunday with an 8-3 win over the Cyclones. Ron Schmidt fired

three goals for the winners, while Steve Pappillon and Frank Macpherson had two each. Turk Shepheard had the other goal for the winners. B. Inglis earned a trio of assists and Doug Black had two. Single assists went to Ron Schmidt, Ed Hilliard, Dave Pappillon, Bob Doyle and Turk Shepheard.

Jim Bagn Two

Jim Macdonald scored twice and Wayne Shepherd and Ron Mellon had one each as the lowly Bushwhackers came up with a strong game and tied the league leading Dusters 4-4. Assists for the Bushmen went to Noel Rowsall (2), Don Swanckhammer, Wayne Shepherd and Tom Mellon.

Top 10 Scorers

Table with columns for Player Name, Goals, and Points. Includes names like Harry Phillips, Gary Ritchie, Ron Mellon, etc.

They were really going." Big stumbling block for the Tanners was Prickett in the Fergus net. The Tanners kept most of the first period but could only score once. Doug Evans got it from Blake Inglis at 11:00, but Bob Dobbie evened it up for Fergus in the last minute.

ACTON STARTED TO HIT THE TARGET

Acton started to hit the target in the third stanza, Tim Halnes scored to reduce Flyers'

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns for Team, W, L, T, Pts. Includes Dusters, Royals, Cyclones, etc.

GOALKEEPERS' AVERAGES

Table with columns for Player Name, Goals Allowed, and Points. Includes Gary Ritchie, Ron Mellon, etc.

TROUT SEASON STARTS APRIL 30

Department of Lands and Forests last week announced the dates for angling seasons, and Halton's trout season will officially open on Saturday, April 30 and last until September 15. The season includes brook, brown, rainbow and rainbow trout.

J.H. Millford Is Game Warden

Changes in the local conservation staff, effective since January 1, were announced this week in a newsletter from the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests. E. E. "Ted" Ackert of Moffat, Halton's conservation officer for the past two years, has been transferred to work from the Owen Sound office. His replacement is J. H. Millford of 88 Westminster Dr., Oakville. Mr. Millford will handle the work in Nassagaweya, Essex, Burlington, Oakville and Puslimch.

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Legion Town League HOCKEY

ACTON

Brampton 3 - Acton 3 Wayne Allan scored two goals for Brampton while Jim Hurdley potted one and collected an assist. Steve Pappillon and John Ashley also got an assist apiece.

For Acton Good Teeth potted the first, John McCutcheon bagged the second assisted by Ricky Holmes and Ivan Heunis scored the third.

John McCutcheon of Acton served the lone penalty.

ACTON 3 - WESTON 0 Acton bounced back from the tie to blank Weston in the second game. Steve Brimble scored two of the Acton goals, the first from Peter Arbie, second from Good Teeth. Third goal was a solo by Ivan Heunis.

NOVICE

St. Kitts 5 - Niagara Falls 1 Tony Swain rapped in three goals and assisted on another for St. Kitts. Steve Marshall scored one and collected three assists and John Rochester added one goal. Duke Fisher had two assists. Chris Scholtz hit the target for Niagara Falls with a solo performance.

HAMILTON 2 - OSHAWA 1 Ron Bannister and Tim McMillan scored a goal each and assisted on one another for the natives Hamilton won.

Brian Stokes blundered the light for Oshawa. The lone penalty went to D. Jansen of Oshawa.

PEE WEE

Baltimore 4 - Rochester 2 Kody Marsh scored two goals for Baltimore as they doubled the count on Rochester. George McPhail drilled one center and assisted on two more with G. Murray pulling the trigger on the final goal.

Steve Van Fleet and Ron Loutlet scored for Rochester with Van Fleet assisting on the Loufter goal.

Officials Ford and McCullough tacked penalties on to David Rochester and Roland McMillan of the winners and Rod Gibbons of Rochester.

CLEVELAND 6 - SPRINGFIELD 3 Dale Fisher potted a pair and assisted on two for Cleveland. Allan Green also scored two and Brendan Irwin and Henry Wisenz got one apiece. Irwin also got two assists, as did Mike Pope. Terrance Rozee collected one.

For tail-end Springfield Graham Fisher and Dave G. G. G. G.

BANTAM

Hershey 8 - Baltimore 7 Dave Le Blanc got himself a hat trick for the Bears as they shamed the Bruins while Steve Gannon and Bill Black drilled a brace apiece. Clive Stewart drilled one with Ken Marshall and Brian Death registering assists.

Good Lasby rattled in two for Buffalo. Wayne Deforest, Gary Sibley, David Kennedy and Cliff Zeschall got one each. Wayne Deforest got two up three assists. Offense collected two and Paul Mallico one.

LeBlanc, Gannon and Brian Death scored penalties for Hershey. Steve LaPointe for Buffalo.

MIDGETS

MONTREAL 8 - TORONTO 6 Dave Fisher, Gary Kelly and Bob Walker each scored two goals in the first for the Hawks. Chris Scholtz hit the target for Niagara Falls with a solo performance.

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Midgets Tie, Lose Contests

Validation games for Acton Midgets at Orangeville Saturday and here on Sunday brought them a tie and a narrow loss. The tie was in Orangeville.

Ken Malby and John Mason scored the Acton goals with Mason and Casey Harkley assisting on the goals.

In Acton Sunday afternoon Scarborough Lions edged the Acton club 2-1. Casey Harkley drilled the Acton goal assisted by Ken Malby.

The largest chunk of quartz (70 tons) was found in Russia.

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The Canadian National SPORTSMEN'S SHOW MARCH 11-19 EXCEPT SUNDAY. IN THE ARENA. The Meteors and their Flying Saucer. Also Retrievers • Shepherds • Greyhounds TONY THE WONDER HORSE • And 6 More Great Acts. IN THE EXHIBIT AREAS: Boats • Marine Hardware • Cottages • Trailers • Fashion Shows, Guns • Fishing Tackle • Decoy Contest • Motor Cars • Dog Show • Conservation Exhibits • Bait Casting • Wildness Survival • Camping Equipment. Street cars to the door • Parking for 8,000 cars • Good Food. Exhibition open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. (except Sunday) - Admission to Buildings: Adults \$1.00, Students 50c, Children 25c. Arena performances 2:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Arena Picnic, Events and Saturday Afternoon Advance Sale, Reserved Box Seats, including admission to Buildings \$1.50, Students \$1.00, Children \$1.25 - All other arena seats rush, Adults 50c, Children 25c. Weekday Afternoon - FREE ARENA ENTERTAINMENT. Write for area reserved box seats enclosing cheque or money order to: THE CANADIAN NATIONAL SPORTSMEN'S SHOW, EXHIBITION PARK, TORONTO.

THIRD ANNUAL - PUBLIC SCHOOL ICE CARNIVAL Thursday, March 17 - Starts 6:45 p.m. ACTON COMMUNITY CENTRE. SPECIAL ATTRACTION MISS RUTH FITZGIBBONS, Member of Guelph College Figure Skating Club. Games - Contests and Entertainment - Admission 15c.