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PINBOY TO CHAMPION in eight years is record set by Acton kegger Jim Bullough. The 20-year-old bowler began working at Acton Bowling Lanes as a pin boy and learned the game under manager Ken Hulford. During Easter weekend the young man won a position on the Eastern Championship team and is currently in Calgary with the team competing for the Canadian championship.

Jim Bullough Big Factor Canadian 5-Pin Bowling

Before a record 1,452 paying spectators at the Sherwood Lanes in Hamilton last Saturday, the Central-Ontario Mixed Team with Acton's Jim Bullough in the lineup won the Eastern Canada Five-Pin Championship.

After the first four game block on Friday it was York-Simcoe in first place with a total pinfall of 5008 and Central Ontario in second place by 14 pins with a pinfall of 4994.

In the final four games on Saturday, Central Ontario rolled 4797, while York-Simcoe slipped to 4678 and second place. Central Ontario wound up with a total of 9791 (a new Eastern-Canada-eight-game block record) to York-Simcoe's 9698.

Toronto was third with 9342 and Hamilton came fourth with 9162. After Hamilton came Kitchener-Waterloo, Northern District, Oshawa, Lake Erie, Scarborough, City of Quinte, Sudbury, York-West, Marathon, Sarnia, Ottawa Valley and Quebec.

Jim Bullough's nine-year bowling career which started at the age of 11 at the Acton Bowling Lanes is studded down through the years with championships.

His first championship was with the Acton Teen-N-Under champions in 1958-59. Then came the Mother and Son Junior Bowling Council championship in 1960. He was on the Ledger I.G.A. Industrial-Commercial Champs in 62-63 and the Beardmore and Co. Tannery League champions in 64-65. The year 64-65 also saw him on the Central-Ontario Mixed Team champions which competed at North Bay for the Eastern Canada title.

Climaxing the string to date is his presence being a deciding factor on the Central-Ontario Mixed Team champions which won the Eastern Canada Championship title and the right to challenge the Western Canada contingent for the Canadian Championship.

Jim is presently in Calgary with the Eastern champions.

Tanners Take 2-1 Edge Ho-Hum Contest Wed.

Third game of the current W.O.A.A. Intermediate B group final was almost a ho-hum contest. In front of 300 silent fans at Hespeler, the Tanners won a 5-2 decision by being opportunistic, checking the fishily tired Hespeler crew before they could get going for a 2-1 edge on the series.

Hespeler notched the first goal of the game in the first three minutes, but the Acton club tied it up at 7:23 as Jim Farrelly hit the target.

The second period saw the Tanners drill two goals within 56 seconds, to take a lead they never relinquished. They boogied two more in the third stanza before the Mic Macs replied with a single.

One other Acton counter looked like it was in, but the Hespeler goal judge never flicked the light and referees Millie and King disallowed it.

Don McKenzie rapped in the second Acton goal from Jim Farrelly and Harold Townsley, with Farrelly doing the spade work. Tim Haines made it 3-1 when

Blake Inglis passed from behind the net and Tim slapped it home.

Blake Inglis scored the disallowed goal at the five minute mark of the third period and the Tanners were up 4-1. Inglis started to pair up the goal, Don McKenzie broke in alone on Watson, but the Mic Mac netminder outgassed him.

Midway through the period, Hespeler split the Acton defense and hit the post with a yawning net in front of them. Defenseman Jim Cunningham picked up the rebound, related it to Farrelly, who in turn hit Townsley with a pass. Harold's blistering drive was blocked by Watson, but he cashed in his own rebound, to make the score 4-1.

Doug Evans shoved in Blake Inglis' rebound after three attempts to scoop the puck in and Acton had a 5-1 edge.

Mic Macs applied the pressure and Jack Wildfong scored from a scramble for the second Hespeler goal, but Sweeney blanked them for the last seven minutes.

Fred Kentner suffered a gash on his forehead from a high stick in the second period, but came back after a repair job, to finish the game. Six penalties, three apiece, were levied.

Sixth Game Here Friday

When Hespeler Mic Macs invade Acton Friday night, the Tanners will either face elimination or be gunning for the final win of the series. It all depends on how they fare tonight (Wednesday) in Hespeler.

Predictions on the outcome of the series were few and far between after Hespeler turned the tables here Friday night, offsetting the advantage Acton obtained by winning in Hespeler. If it goes seven games, the Hespeler club, by virtue of a first place finish, has the venue of the odd game.

Winner of this series will meet Hanover-Walkerton Combines for the W.O.A.A. Int. "B" championship. The combine club ousted Owen Sound in the northern final.

Mic Macs Knot Group Final Whip Tanners 9-5 Here

Acton Tanners gained an advantage with the best-of-seven W.O.A.A. Int. "B" group finals by winning a game on Hespeler Wednesday, but they lost it again Friday when Mic Macs belted them 9-5 in front of the season's largest crowd at the community centre.

The Tanners had an off night. They actually lost the game in a five minute span in the second period when Hespeler deposited four goals, behind beleaguered Jim Sweeney, but they were outplayed, outstuffed and outfoxed by the visitors most of the distance. It was one of the Acton club's poorest displays of defensive hockey this season. The series was all tied up at two games apiece as a result.

Disappointment to Fans

"They were as bad Friday night as they were good last week," said one disappointed fan who had hoped the Acton club would take a stranglehold on the series.

The win gave new life to Hespeler, who now have the advantage of the extra game at home, should the series go seven games. Fifth game is in Hespeler tonight (Wednesday) and the sixth is in Acton Friday.

Mic Macs held a 2-1 edge after the first period, courtesy of the Tanners. They let Sweeney face a two in one situation for both markers.

The second goal saw Ross Russell emerge from the penalty box with nothing but ice between himself and Sweeney. He swooped in, drew Jim to the left, and flipped a pass to Norm Love, who merely had to tap it in the open net.

Hem Acton In

The second period was a Hespeler show for the first half. They hemmed the Tanners in their own end and notched four goals, for a 6-1 lead. Acton came back with two in the final half of the chapter, but Mic Macs got another, for a 7-3 edge at period's end.

In spite of a penalty to Glen Cooper at 4:34 of the final stanza, the Tanners rapped in two goals within a minute, to get back in the game again. For a while, it looked like they might come back, but big Jack Wildfong scored at 8:55, to cool them out and Russell drilled another at 17:20, to wrap it up.

Nothing Works

Nothing seemed to work for the Tanners. Strong forechecking from the visitors upset their com-

binations. Coach Junior Beaumont juggled his lines in an effort to come up with a combination that would click, but without much success. Once Mic Macs obtained a big margin, they drew the Tanners into their end and waited for the breaks with two sleepers at the blue line.

Except for some glittering stops by Sweeney and off-target shooting, Hespeler might have added four or five more counters to the total. Like the Tanners, they were almost at full strength for the game. They lacked Tom Graham. The Tanners missed Gerry Inglis.

Mel Aucoin, a centre who's seen limited service with Hespeler all season, led the Mic Mac party, sinking three shafts into the Acton net. Bob Kitzman drilled a pair and Norm Love, Larry O'Krafka, Jack Wildfong and Ross Russell bagged one apiece.

Jim Farrelly, Howie and Doug Evans, Tim Haines and Harold Townsley accounted for the Acton goals with Fred Kentner collecting three assists.

Mic Macs mobbed goalie Jack Watson with congrats after the game. Waldo did not have the he-

ctic nights he endured the first three games of the series, but he pulled off two or three stops which might have changed the course of the game.

First Period

H: L. O'Krafka (N. Love, Weber) 3:45
A: J. Farrelly (D. McKenzie) 8:58
H: N. Love (R. Russell) 13:50
Pens.: A. Plein, Farrelly, R. Russell, Townsley, E. Plein, Kentner.

Second Period

H: Kitzman (Bowman, Aucoin) 4:55
A: Kitzman (Aucoin, Wildfong) 5:14
H: Aucoin (Wildfong, Kitzman) 6:58
H: Aucoin (Wildfong) 10:07
A: H. Evans 14:09
H: Aucoin (Love, Wildfong) 16:55
A: D. Evans (Kentner, Farrelly) 19:19
Pens.: Heatherington, Clemens, Kentner (5 min.), B. O'Krafka.

Third Period

A: T. Haines (Kentner, Townsley) 5:10
A: H. Townsley (Kentner) .. 6:11
H: J. Wildfong (R. Russell) 8:55
H: R. Russell (Heipel) 17:29
Pens.: Cooper, A. Plein, Clemens, McKenzie.

Atom All Stars Still in Running Dixie Tournament

Acton Atom All Stars lost a 5-1 decision to Toronto Ted Reeve in the first game of the Dixie Tyke Tournament, but came back in the second game of the two-game series with a 1-1 tie. Ted Reeve won the round, however, 6-2, and Acton went into the consolation series against Preston.

The local kids played to a 2-2 tie with Preston, winning the round with more shots on goal.

Russ Van Fleet notched the lone Acton goal as they lost to Ted Reeve and Ivan Hearnings bagged their counter in the second game. Steve Brunelle and Russ Van Fleet scored a goal each as they eliminated Preston.

The Acton club plays again Saturday at 9:30 in the morning against Agincourt.

Midgets Wallop Erin All-Stars

Fresh from their tournament triumph at Hespeler, Acton Midgets walloped Erin's Midget All-Stars 14-0 at the community centre Sunday afternoon in an exhibition game.

Paul Cooper registered the shut-out for the locals while his opposite number in the Erin nets was deluged with pucks.

Four players, Casey Harkley, Ken Owen, Alan McKenzie and Brent Marshall had hat tricks for the Acton team with Barrie Elliott and Jim Barden sinking singles.

Captain Elliott collected seven assists for an eight point performance while Owen and Harkley got three helpers each for six points. Brent Marshall snared two assists and McKenzie one.

Novices Win First Two Games Brampton Tourney

"This is the most successful team we've entered in the tourney yet," said Acton Novice coach Barry Incoe after his charges eliminated Grimsby with 4-0 and 5-2 victories from the Brampton Lions Novice hockey tournament which is being held all this week.

Paul Daley, Bill McGiloway, Steve McIntyre and Steve Marshall scored a goal apiece in the first victory over Grimsby, while Terry (Moochie) Holmes registered the shut-out.

The second game Friday night saw Tim McIntyre pot three goals and brother Steve shoot two. The 5-2 win gave Acton a 9-2 victory on the round.

The Acton team lost a 3-2 exhibition to Hornepayne when coach Incoe was unable to attend, but the locals were outlucked rather than outplayed.

They meet either Paris or Amersfoort in today's (Wednesday)

★ FREE PRESS SPORTS ★



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ACTON ATOM ALL-STARS lost to Ted Reeve but ousted Preston from the Dixie tournament and meet Agincourt Saturday in the consolation round. Front row, left to right are Gordon Toth, John McCutcheon, Jim Hurley, goalie Robin Incoe, Steve Papillon, Jeff Townsley and Kent Kentner. Back row, Ivan Hearnings, Gary Barden, David Morris, coach Harold Townsley, manager Barry Incoe, Ricky Baginski, Gerald Barden and Russ Van Fleet. Missing when the photo was taken were Steve Brunelle and John Ashley.

Habs Win League Title

Montreal was extended to six games but the Habs won the Legion town league midget title with a decisive 8-4 win over Toronto last Thursday.

Leafs won the first two games of the best-of-five series, upsetting the favorites, but Canadiens came back to take the next pair. Fifth game was a tie.

Dave Smallwood was the big gun for the champions, rattling in four goals and assisting on another. Bill Hagen scored two and collected two assists, while Gary Kelly and Craig Perkins notched one apiece. Assistants also went to Dave Ryder, Stu Johnson and Rick Rusk.

Michael Marcoux and Jim Lee Bagged two Toronto goals each with Tom Ginger getting a pair of assists and Fisher helping on one.

The champions served three of the five penalties, Perkins, Dunn and Masales getting the gate. Marcoux and Cook served time for Toronto.

St. Kitts Even Up Town League Final

St. Catharines evened up the town league novice finals at a game apiece by blanking Hamilton 2-0 in Saturday's game.

Both goals were scored in the third period with Gary Fisher notching the first from Steve Marshall. Peter Hargrave scored the second goal unassisted.

There were two penalties, issued to John Tyers of Hamilton and John Rochester of St. Kitts.

—Mohawk Raceway opens for the season next Monday.

Skating Party

Closing skating party saw Figure Skating Club members joined by their parents on Saturday morning at the arena. Races and games were followed by lunch.

Cleveland New Loop Champs

Cleveland took their second 1-0 decision from Rochester to win the Legion Town League Pee Wee championship Saturday in two straight games.

Brendan Irwin scored the winning goal at the nine minute mark of the third period after the teams had battled through two scoreless chapters. Cleveland eliminated Springfield in the semifinals while runners-up Rochester ousted Baltimore.

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Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

FRIDAY NIGHT'S game here was simply a reversal of roles for Acton and Hespeler intermediates. The previous week the Tanners couldn't do anything wrong; the Mic Macs couldn't do anything right. In last Friday's skirmish anything the Hespeler club did worked; the Tanners couldn't get anything working for them.

Fans who hadn't seen the previous Friday's performance by the Tanners but had heard glowing reports of it from others were inclined to scoff. "How could a team be so good one week and so bad the next?" they asked.

Club brass wasn't exactly ecstatic over the Acton performance either. "They picked the biggest crowd this season to have an off night," complained one. "We coulda wrapped this series up tonight," muttered another, "now we'll have to really bear down."

★ OFF-COLOR performances aren't limited to Acton Tanners. This was apparent Sunday when Chicago Black Hawks and Detroit Red Wings tangled. There was a continent-wide TV network for the first time. It was also a first for color transmission of a Stanley Cup game.

The Hawks picked Sunday in front of the most people ever to view a game to give an off-color performance. As you can see an off-color effort doesn't go any better on color TV.

The Hawks bounced back, however, to take the third game of the set right in Detroit. We're hoping the Tanners can do the same thing in Hespeler. A win Wednesday would put them back in the driver's seat. A loss will leave them with their back to the wall when Hespeler comes back here Friday.

It all adds up to what could be a most exciting series before the winner meets Hanover-Walkerton combines in the final.

★ BEAT BITS ... Georgetown Raiders were knocked out of the Junior "C" race in the seventh game of the group finals. New Hamburg Hahns, second place finishers on the season, edged the Raiders 7-6 in overtime Sunday to take the set. ... Winnipeg Bantams came over from the Bantam hockey tournament in Georgetown to play exhibitions with Acton Bantams Sunday and Acton Midgets Tuesday. The classy westerners took an 8-0 decision from the bants and a 6-0 shut-out at the expense of the midgets. ... Every town in the county is represented in the Halton County Baseball Association's minor series this season except Acton. ... Acton Bantams dropped a 3-1 decision to Hornepayne Tuesday afternoon in the Georgetown tourney's "D" division.

Bike Race Course Goes Through Halton

A bicycle race, the most northerly point of which was the Campbellville area, was held on Good Friday with two members of the Halton Cycle Club among the participants.

The race was sponsored by the Hamilton Cycle Club, and started at 10 p.m. The two Halton entries were president Roger Vervaeke and Alfred Siepmann.

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