



**Pounding the  
SPORTS  
BEAT**

**ONE THING** the intermediate hockey club is finding out about belonging to the O.H.A. — it's going to cost them a whole lot more money!

The W.O.A.A. was a fairly reasonable outfit. For instance, referees came in pairs so travel costs wouldn't be too high. Travel paid by the home team — one way.

O.H.A. regulations are different. For them you pay the officials' travel both ways — coming and going plus an increased rate for their services.

For the extra money you're supposed to receive better refereeing. Perhaps you do but this scribbler will adopt a wait and see policy.

Then there's the little matter of insurance. The W.O.A.A. had a policy protecting players, managers and coaches which had a reasonable premium of \$5 per player. The O.H.A. has nothing. If you want protection you must purchase it from an agency. Rates run three or four times higher.

Tanner secretary-treasurer George Haggert has it figured out that each time the Acton team steps out on the ice in Acton it costs \$80. This year the figure will balloon to bigger proportions. Don't sell the O.H.A. short, however. It has many advantages.

Their rules and regulations are the result of decades of trial and error. There can't be many situations Old Hatpin Annie hasn't encountered — and solved. Unlike the W.O.A.A. which seemed to go into a state of abject buck passing when a maverick team refused to toe the line, the O.H.A. knows how to deal effectively with rebels — and does.

**FIRST TIME** an Acton team went into the O.H.A. intermediate series was back in 1929. The new arena was just completed and the Int. B group comprised Brampton, Milton, Georgetown and Acton.

The Acton team of Bill Holloway in goal, Jack Greer and Frank Gibbons on defense, Russ Salmon at centre, Joe Kentner and Gord Huffman on the wings and Neil Gibbons, Joe Woods, Doc Buchanan, Harry Chew and Ireland as alternates finished second in the group and went on to win the group championship.

Paris, the team which eventually won the O.H.A. championship eliminated Acton in the first round of what was then called the playdowns but only after the two game total goal series was forced into a third contest. Paris won by the same score of the first two games — 3-2.

There was a succession of group titles after that, culminating in the O.H.A. B crown in 1939.

The war years intervened. The arena was used for wool storage, players clad in khaki, many of them overseas, hockey was dormant.

Hostilities were scarcely over when post-war enthusiasm for hockey burst in Acton like in other centres. They were palmy days — rinks were crowded to the rafters. Then this town had some more very good teams until the lack of artificial ice and the refusal to pay imports virtually eliminated them.

The inevitable happened in 1950. No team was iced in 1951. A decade went by before the Tanners were revived. Then it was proposed the club enter the W.O.A.A. until the team was strong enough to enter the O.H.A.

In the meantime W.O.A.A. hockey improved to the point where it was equal in status to O.H.A. so the Tanners stayed under its wing until this season.

So, for the first time in 16 years, Acton will have an intermediate entry in the O.H.A. intermediate series.

**A PROPOSAL** by several team members to switch the venue of the Georgetown Giant intermediate baseball games from Georgetown to Acton, discussed at a meeting Saturday night, found little support.

Acton players on the Giants would like to see the move made but can muster few men eager to serve on an executive. Players feel they can't play ball and serve in an executive capacity. Consequently unless there's support coming from unexpected quarters it's likely the Giants will remain in Georgetown.

Both the players from Georgetown and Acton agree neither town has enough players of intermediate calibre to go along with one another. A team in Acton would rule out a club in Georgetown and vice-versa. Georgetown's juvenile champion ball team has nearly half the players from Acton which would cancel out any future help.

Then there's the condition of the diamond. Georgetown's diamond, maintained by the town, is no Yankee stadium but it's ample for the league. The Acton diamond is in very poor shape and the club has neither the funds nor the time to fix it up.

It's likely the club would change its mind and give Acton a whirl if an executive could be organized eager to see intermediate ball back in town. Otherwise, Acton's loss will be Georgetown's gain.

**BEAT BITS** . . . Roy Smith of Georgetown won the Georgetown Giants' baseball club rifle draw . . . Danny Arbie has been practicing with the Georgetown Jr. C. Raiders and will likely remain with them if he catches a berth . . . Industrial Hockey League signed 40 players in the first two registrations. The league could use about a dozen more players to bring it up to strength. If interested get in touch with Denis Gibbons or Ken McIsaac. With ice in the arena now the circuit intends to get going as soon as possible . . .

# Tanners in O.H.A. Int. B six team league likely

**NEW COACH & LEAGUE  
FIRST PRACTICE FRIDAY**

Unless a last minute entry is accepted Acton Tanners will play in a six team O.H.A. Int. B. league this season.

Details of the new league were worked out at a special meeting held in Kitchener last Wednesday night attended by Tanner president Ray Mason and executive members George Haggert and Bob Marshall. Presiding was O.H.A. president Pat Patterson of Guelph.

The six teams included in the league are:

- HESPELER
- FERGUS
- ORANGEVILLE
- SEAFORTH
- MILVERTON
- ACTON

Four of the clubs were in the southern section of the W.O.A.A.

last season while Seaforth, last year's O.H.A. Int. B champions played in the northern section of the W.O.A.A. until the playoffs when they switched to O.H.A. — Milverton is a new entry but certainly no stranger to the O.H.A.

Choice of the O.H.A. for the convener's job fell on Bob Marshall who's been W.O.A.A. convener for the past three years. An entry deadline has been set for Oct. 24.

The league expects to start on November 15.

Once again the Tanners home dates will be played on Friday nights with Wednesdays the next choice. Fergus and Milverton's home games will also be played Friday with Saturday

and Sunday respectively as alternate dates.

Hespeler will play their home games on Tuesdays and Sundays, Orangeville on Mondays and Seaforth on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

There was no choice for any of the teams involved. A new agreement between the O.H.A. and W.O.A.A. hands over jurisdiction of all intermediate hockey to the O.H.A.

Intermediate B teams are allowed four waivers or imports. An import is classed as someone who moves to your area before November 1.

Teams can use players from any town or village under 7,500 without upsetting their status.

**ICE MAKING** is a real cool job! Especially when the temperature inside the arena keeps dropping. Top photo shows arena manager Herb Ritchie flooding the ice after it was whitened Monday. Lower photo shows Mr. Ritchie and engineer James Ralston turning the valves in the ice-making room to start brine flowing through the maze of pipes under the arena floor. Wednesday was the first time the arena was used for hockey.



## First Int. hockey drill Friday night

First practice for the 1966-67 edition of Acton Tanners Int. B hockey club will be held Friday night from 8 to 11 p.m.

Coach Fred Kentner will crack the whip over the hopefuls out to make a place on the team which will be playing O.H.A. Int. B hockey for the first time since 1950. Several new players are expected to try out.

Indications are the league this year will be the toughest the Tanners have entered since they got back into hockey in 1960. The six team grouping will include Seaforth, O.H.A. Int. B champs for the past two years; Hespeler, W.O.A.A. Int. B champions last season and an entry from Milverton likely to make full use of many Elmira players. Fergus and Orangeville, always tough nuts to crack, will round out the group.

Second practice for the Tanners will be held Sunday morning at 11 a.m. It's expected ice time will be available on a regular basis until the schedule opens around the middle of November.

## Acton Legion, Hamilton Pats top fourth big dart tourney

The Hamilton "Pats" and the Acton Legion displayed their dart-hurling prowess Saturday and walked off with four of the top awards in the open darts tournament at Milton Legion Branch 136.

Competition was stiff as 26 teams from all over southern Ontario entered the day-long competitions. But the "Pats" affiliated with the Hamilton Dart Club claimed the four-man team championship and two of their players combined to win the doubles championship. Ac-

ton Legion's foursome lost their first game but in a terrific comeback claimed the consolation championship, and here again, two of their players won the consolation doubles trophy.

Competitors came from as far away as Fort Erie, Port Hope, Scarborough and Brantford, to test their skill against some of Ontario's top dart hurlers. And although the British claim honors for the flourishing game, contestants on Saturday also included many native-born Canadians plus those of Italian, Indian and other European nations extraction.

Winners were as follows: Team champions, Hamilton "Pats", Percy Norman, Pat Wakelield, Earl White and Al Southon. Runners up, Dominion Civil Service War-Veterans' Association, Toronto. Dick Belshaw, Bernie O'Brien, Art McPhail, Vern Bagges and Ray Turner.

Consolation team champions, Acton Legion Branch 197, Hector Lambert, Sam Collett, Gil Malcolm, Bill Nicolak. Runners up, Milton Legion Branch 136, Bob Kranz, Bernie Sims, Bob White and George Winnie.

Doubles champions, Hamilton "Pats", Percy Norman and Pat Wakelield. Runners up, Byron

Bing, Legion Branch 1, Toronto, John Hay and D. Reid. Consolation doubles champions, Acton Legion Stan Collet and Gil Malcolm.

High score of the day, Jim McDonald 180. High finish of the day, E. Shepherd 113.

The only incident to mar the event was the disappearance of three dart boards each worth \$20. Their loss cut into the day's profits and organizers are hopeful they'll turn up somewhere.

### HOCKEY PLAYERS

of Intermediate Calibre Interested in Playing O.H.A. INT. B

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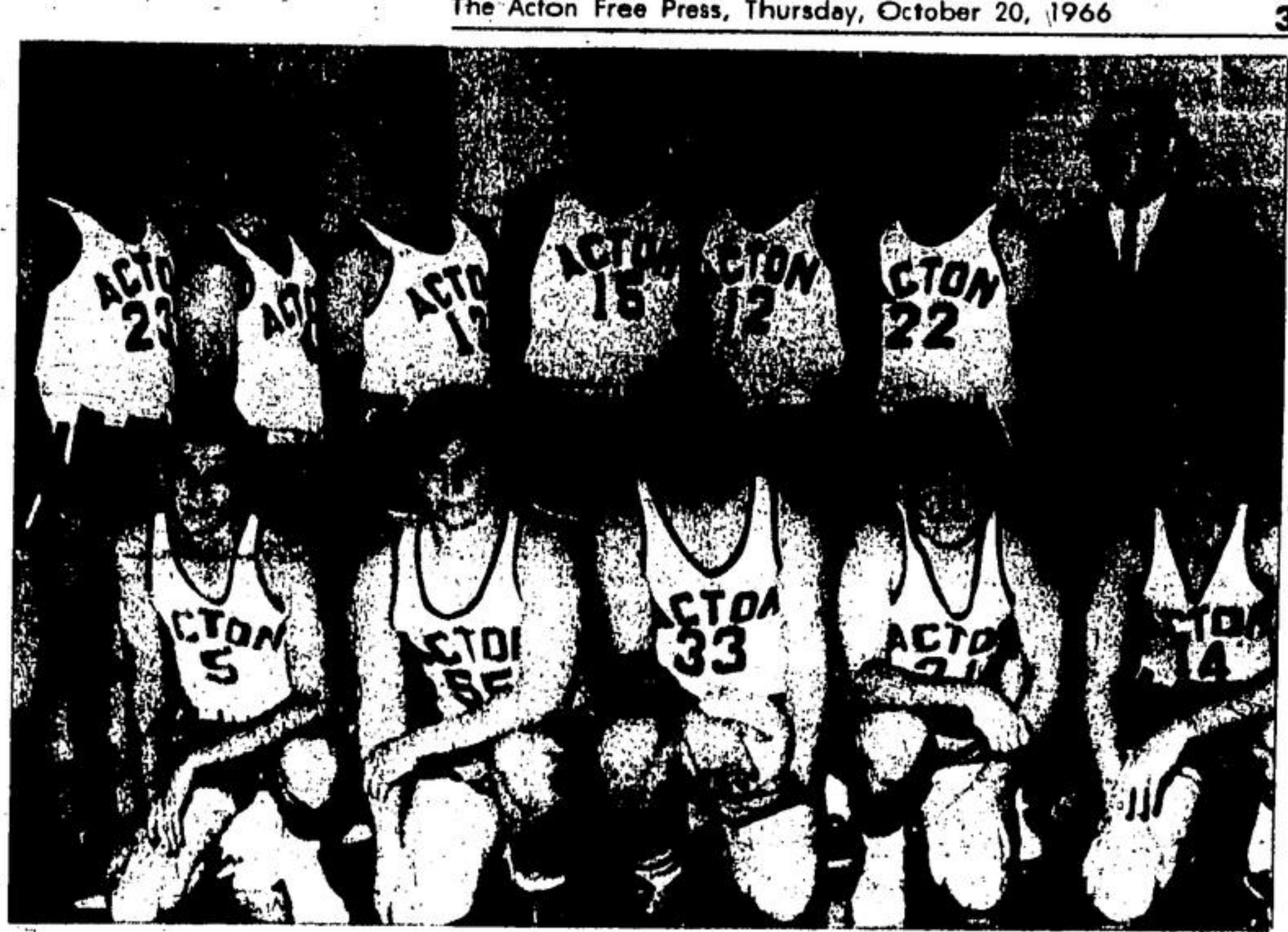
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PROGRAM BEGINS

THURSDAY, NOV. 3 AT Y.M.C.A.



DEPARTMENT HEAD for physical education at Acton district high school, Ron McCallum finds time in his busy schedule to coach the boys' basketball team. Front row left to right are Roy Shultis, Al Vlietstra, Dave Watson, Jim Pihl and Phil Dupuis. Back row left to right are Doug Garrett, Bob Price, George Wallis, John McGeachie, Steve Johnson, Danny Arbie and coach Ron McCallum.

## Curling plans set to start

The curling season begins with a dance in the band hall tomorrow (Friday).

October 31 and November 1 will be instructional evenings at the arena. A club bonspiel is Nov. 7 and 8 with the first league draw beginning Nov. 14.

1966-67 executive is president, E. Tyler Sr.; vice-president, George Williams; treasurer, Chester Anderson; secretary, Ron Guest.

Draws committee, Dick Lee chairman, H. Otterbein, Marg Toth, Willa Hewitt, John Goy, Vic Patrick. Property, Ken Marchment chairman, John Buckman, Bill Mainprize, Don Timmings, Jack Ridley. Membership, Ron Guest chairman, Frank Van Wyck, Helen Otterbein, Fred Gordon. By-laws, Rex A. H. McKenzie chairman, Lorne Youngblut, Charles Leatherland. Social, Mac Dumarsh chairman, Sam Brunelle, Phil McCristall, Norma Marchment, Andy Nolan, Marion Patterson.

## Glen captures fastball crown

Glen Williams won the Inter-county fastball league crown by defeating defending champion Hillsburg 8-6 in the final game.

League president "Scotty" Patterson of Georgetown presented the Dow trophy to Glen coach Ike Inglis.

Pitcher Joe Shaw went the distance for the new champs in the final contest with Max Stafford catching. Hillsburg started Ken Donaldson and he was relieved by Turner in the eighth.

Score was tied 6-6 as the teams went into the eighth. Shaw started a rally for the Glen with a double in the eighth and with two on Stafford's long ball scored the winning runs.

## Misses moose

One local marksman hunting moose in the wild north woods was reputed to have shot twice at nearly point blank range in the direction of one stalwart monarch of the forest — and missed!

His identity remains a secret but here's a clue — same nickname as a Toronto hockey star.

## ACTON ARENA SCHEDULE

Ice Time still available for Thurs., Oct. 20 and Sat. morning, Oct. 22.

CONTACT HOWARD PEARCE

- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 Acton Tanners try-outs
- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 2-4 p.m. — Public Skating 8-10 p.m. — Public Skating
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 2-4 p.m. — Public Skating
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 Curling
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 Curling
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26 Tri-County Hockey

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**ACTON CURLING CLUB**



ACTON LEGION BRANCH 197 dart hurlers were in fine form at the Milton Legion's open tournament on Saturday. They lost their first game, but entered a consolation team round and emerged the winners, edging Milton Branch 136 in the final. Players on the team shown with their awards are, from left, Hector Lambert, Bill Nicolak, Gil Malcolm and Stan Collett. Stan and Gil also teamed together to win the consolation championship in the doubles competition.