



Smoky Richardson's scoop pass to Blake Inglis is caught in mid-air as the Tanners press Hespeler in an effort to get into contention.

# Tanners split in first two O.H.A. games

## Mic Macs spoil home team debut

Hespeler Mic Macs scored three second-period goals in a span of less than two minutes, erasing a 3-1 Acton lead, Friday night. Then they went on to pin a 6-4 defeat on the Tanners in front of 400 first night hockey fans.

Home debut for the 1966-67 season and the reintroduction of O.H.A. intermediate hockey in Acton for the first time in 16 years, Mic Macs spoiled both occasions for the Tanners. They checked them into the ice once they grabbed the lead.

For the first period and a half it looked like the Tanners would follow the familiar first night pattern by pinning a defeat on the visitors. Midway through the second period they wilted and before you could put the top of your hat the fast skating Hespeler crew pulled ahead.

They added two third period goals to put the game in the bag. Acton scored one more in the last seconds of play with Hespeler short-handed.

"Your guys played like our team did in their first game against Seaford," one Hespeler official said after the game. The Tanners tried hard, moved the puck well, but between Jack (Walde) Watson in the Mic Mac mesh and a loose defense, they couldn't cope with the hustling Hespeler crew.

Added to their woes was a pre-game directive from the O.H.A. telling the club not to use either Jim Sweeney or Jim Farrelly of last year's club, and Paul Bodendistel and Wayne Hilson, two new faces, until further checks were made on their place of residence. This played havoc with the line-up and freshman coach Fred Kentner was forced to juggle his line in an effort to



Hespeler twine tender Jack Watson thwarts Doug Richardson in the first period of Friday's O.H.A. Int. B opener, here.

He called on goalkeeper Glen Hillock to take Sweeney's place between the pipes. Hillock served up a sparkling game. He had no chance on the pucks which eluded him, several of which Acton players passed onto Hespeler sticks.

Up front Kentner had Blake Inglis as a pivot between Smoky Richardson and Junior Beaumont. His second line consisted of diminutive Gordie Bell between Tim Haines and Harold Townsley. A third threesome, used only spottily, had Jan Riddall at centre and Danny Arbie and "Beaver" Baxter on the wings. They were dubbed the "kid" line. Jim Cunningham, Bill Currie, Murray Marchment and Dennis Snider filled the defense posts.

Doug (Smoky) Richardson scored the only goal of the first period on a pass from Blake Inglis which was the period's lone highlight outside of a bout of fistfights between Marchment of the Tanners and rugged Mic Mac Bob Heatherington. Marchment took the decision hands down.

Inglis made it 2-0 for the Tanners at 3:24 of the second stanza on a play around the Mic Mac cage with Beaumont and Richardson before Hespeler got back in the hunt. Marchment lost the puck behind the Acton net to Russell. He passed in front to

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## Legion Town League HOCKEY

Brampton took a 6-3 win from Weston in the Legion town league atom opener Saturday afternoon, setting the pattern for most of the games which followed.

Ford Alton was the big gun for Brampton shooting four goals while Tim Taylor and Derrick Dixon scored one apiece. John McHugh assisted on four goals, Joe Kentner, Scott Withers and Tim Taylor on one each. Weston's top goalgetter was John Scayne. He scored twice, his first from Jeff Shields, second unassisted. Ricky Holmes popped in the other.

Both penalties went to Brampton, a bench sentence served by Tim Daigle and a tripping rap to Joe Kentner. St. Catharines topped Hamilton 5-2 in the first novice game while league leading Niagara Falls blanked Oshawa 4-0 in the second half of the doubleheader.

John Hansen rapped in three goals for St. Kitts and assisted on one of two Wayne Allan scored. For Hamilton, Kevin Marcoux and Ivan Hearn connected for unassisted counters. Niagara Falls' big shooter was Bernie Taylor. He scored all four goals for the league leaders, three unassisted and one with help from Glen Widawski.

Baltimore just squeaked by Cleveland 7-6 in the Pee Wee opener. Springfield shaded Rochester 4-3 in the second game. Randy Marsh, Tony Swim and Harry Lawson drilled two goals apiece for Baltimore and James McNabb bagged one. Randy Marsh also got two assists, James McNabb and David Norman one each.

Jeff Goy rattled in four goals for Cleveland. Peter Morrison sniped two markers and got two assists as well, with Terrance Rozes and Randy Downes collecting an assist each. Bob Krul bagged a hat trick for Springfield in their conquest of Rochester, all three goals unassisted. He also assisted on David Braida's counter.

Rochester got two goals from the stick of Ronnie Death, the first on a solo, the second from Gary Fisher. Howard Coultrup hit the target, once assisted by Brian Storey.

Only penalties of the afternoon were in the Atom game. Following are league statistics compiled by Charlie Thomson:

THIS WEEK'S SCORES					
Bantams					
Game of Nov. 17, 1966					
Buffalo 5 - Pittsburg 6					
TEAM STANDINGS					
Atoms					
	G	W	L	T	Pts.
Brampton	2	1	0	1	3
Weston	2	0	1	1	1
Novice					
	G	A	Pts.		
N. Falls	3	0	0	6	
St. Catharines	3	2	1	0	
Oshawa	3	1	2	0	
Hamilton	3	0	3	0	
Pee Wees					
	G	A	Pts.		
Springfield	3	3	0	6	
Rochester	3	2	1	0	
Baltimore	3	1	2	0	
Cleveland	3	0	3	0	
Bantams					
	G	A	Pts.		
Buffalo	2	1	1	0	
Pittsburg	1	1	0	2	
Hershey	1	0	1	0	
Bantam Standings as of Nov. 17.					

## Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

FIRST LOOK AT THE 1966-67 edition of the Tanners in action against two of the league's five teams clearly shows the Acton club is a contender. But they'll have their hands full with every club in the group.

There are no weak sisters among the entries. It was obvious from Friday night's opener Hespeler will as strong as last year. They, in turn, lost to the powerful Seaford club in their first game at home.

Orangeville, the current cellar dwellers with three losses in as many starts, supplied stiff opposition to the Tanners before bowing 4-3 in a game which ended up with two Acton players making a trip to the hospital. Bob Marshall, who went with Murray Marchment and Jim Cunningham to sick bay, covered with blood, was also mistaken for a patient.

The blood was the result of a donnybrook in the penalty box between Marchment of the Tanners and Milton of Orangeville, with Bob in the middle. Milton lost most of his front teeth in the scuffle while Marchment suffered a seven stitch gash on his wrist. Jim Cunningham was struck in the eye by a flying stick, making his trip to the hospital necessary.

The Tanners, meanwhile, used Paul Bodendistel for the first time Monday and had George Grashy and Jim Sweeney in the lineup following Friday's mix-up which barred four of the Guelph area players from playing. The team will not be able to use Wayne Hilson and it's doubtful whether Jim Farrelly will be allowed to play but clearances are expected for Sweeney and Bodendistel.

The O.H.A. made no bones about it. They intend to enforce the residence regulations for every team in the league. It's causing some confusion right now but in the long run it will work out best for everyone concerned providing it is enforced impartially.

CONVENER BOB MARSHALL was informed this week the O.H.A. will not press attempts to include Clinton and Durham in the present five team Int. B grouping.

Apparently the entire plot was the project of the northern convener, who evidently didn't consult the Clinton team about its wishes. Further O.H.A. investigation revealed Clinton did not relish playing in this league. Too strong, they said. The O.H.A. left it up to convener Marshall to make the decision after conferring with the existing teams.

Earlier in the season the league would gladly have welcomed two more entries but at this late date with the schedule made up and partly played, expansion would have created confusion and many headaches. Plans were also underway for an extension of the schedule when the request came through. The league intends to add eight more games for each team to the present 16.

It was decided further expansion was not possible this season but urged the O.H.A. to solicit entries early next year so these problems would not crop up.

IF THERE WAS ANY DOUBT about which team in the Eastern football conference was most qualified to be in the Grey Cup game it should have been dispelled Saturday. Hamilton Ti-Cats reputed to be the second best team in the east, were no match for Ottawa Rough Riders.

Ti-Cats, laboring under a 29 point deficit on the two-game, total-point series, and a reputation as the original comeback heroes, had to gamble early in the game on scoring a touchdown which would ignite their offense, such as it is. Rider coach Frank Clair was prepared for just such an eventuality. He knew the Tabbies would gamble on the long ball so he dispersed his forces to match the need.

An interception of Hamilton's first desperate throw was all that was needed. Ottawa galloped over for a touchdown and you might say the jig was up for the steel city snarlcrans from that point. Their vaunted defense could not cope with the giant Ottawa line and Russ Jackson, a Hamilton native, who slipped through Ti-Cat fingers, incidentally, rubbed the memory of previous defeats from the books with another peerless performance. When the game was in the bag Clair took him out for a substitute who continued to spur the Rider attack.

The real big game will come this Saturday in Vancouver when the eastern Rough Riders meet the western Roughriders for the Grey Cup. Ottawa is favored to cart the cup back to the nation's capital on the strength of their last two performances. That's who this fuzzy faced one prefers, although the western reps will be a much better club than Hamilton.

BEAT BITS - Sports scribe Brian McCristall and Denis Gibbons took in the Notre-Dame-Michigan State game at Lansing, Michigan, Saturday for the mythical college crown. Both teams were undefeated prior to the game and classed one-two in the ratings. It's still that way. They battled to a 10-10 draw. People heaters in the Georgetown arena are drawing plenty of approving comments from visitors. Plans are on the books to put three in the same set-up as Georgetown. Acton Firefighter Bantams dropped a 3-2 decision to Milton here last Wednesday.

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## Raiders, Dusters wallop Jets, Orioles in Sunday twin bill

Two resounding defeats were pulled out of the Industrial hockey league bag Sunday night as Dusters and Raiders pulled away from Orioles and Jets in the standings.

Raiders broke a three-way tie for second place by blasting Jets 13-5 in the opener. League leading Dusters shellacked the Orioles 8-1 in the nightcap for their fourth straight win without a loss. Orioles managed to avert a shut-out by scoring in the last few seconds of play.

Jet goalie Bob Sheppard must have seen the McDonald brothers in his sleep following the first contest. Between them Stu McDonald and younger brother Jim stacked seven pucks behind Bob and assisted on another. Stu rattled four goals in and Jim three, while Ron Heller potted three to fashion his own hat trick.

Rich Gordon drilled a pair for Raiders and Al McNabb notched one.

In the assist department, it was another pair of brothers who dominated the brackets. Al McNabb assisted on three goals while brother John accounted for a pair. The McDonald detachment got three assists from Stu and one from Jim with Ruddy Holmes also assisting on one.

Ken (Buddha) McIsaac, a last minute replacement, filled the nets capably for Raiders. Gary Ritchie and Noah Rossell hit the target twice apiece for Jets with Ron Mellon pulling the string once and assisting on another pair.

Harry (Red) Phillips, Fred Andrews and Ed Hillier recorded one assist each for the losers who served three of the four penalties leyed.

Dusters increased their league lead in the second game by overwhelming Orioles 8-1. They had a shut-out going for netminder Clarence (Farmer) Sheppard until the last minute of play when Oriole John Dunn unleashed a sizzler which elud-

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## Edge Duffs 4-3 Monday in blood and thunder duel

Rebounding from their loss in Friday's opener, Acton Tanners edged Orangeville Dufferins 4-3 Monday night in a blood and thunder O.H.A. Int. B battle on their home ice.

A gruelling, bruising contest with players on both teams carrying their sticks and elbows high, the Tanners traded goals with Dufferins over the second and third periods before rookie Jan Riddall drilled the winning goal, his second, at 13:27 of the third period. Unlike the previous three times the Tanners were ahead, Orangeville could not overcome the one goal margin and the Acton club had its first win in two starts.

Goalie Jim Sweeney was back in the nets for the Tanners. He played an outstanding game, especially with the Acton club short-handed. Dufferins were on the short end of the 21 penalties handed out as well as the score, serving nine of them, which gave the ample opportunities to both Sweeney.

Players on both teams indulged in stick swinging episodes. Frayed tempers erupted at 12:25 of the second period with the teams tied at 1-1. Referee Ron Breen assessed defenseman Murray Marchment of the Tanners and Don Milton of Orangeville two minutes apiece for their own personal vendetta. The pair hardly reached the penalty box when they resumed where they left off on the ice.

Milton, on the receiving end of one of Marchment's punches, lost most of his front teeth. Marchment sustained a gash on his thumb which required seven stitches. Ref. Breen threw both players out of the game when order was restored. Further confusion was added when an off-duty policeman in civvies tried to intervene. Acton players and officials thought it was an attempt to assault Marchment and they shoed him off with sticks and threats.

When the teams played hockey the Tanners had an edge over Dufferins. Coach Fred Kentner added George Grashy to the defense and Paul Bodendistel to Friday's lineup. The team responded with an all-out effort.

There was no scoring in the first period but the line of Blake Inglis, Smoky Richardson and Junior Beaumont were robbed by netminder Bob Hogarth in the first 10 minutes. Blake put the Tanners ahead at the six minute mark of the second stanza on a pass from Dan Arbie.

Three minutes later Dufferins tied it up as Townley intercepted Townsley's clearing pass and rammed it past a startled Sweeney.

Paul Bodendistel and Gordie Bell teamed up to put Acton ahead again at 14:30 only to have Orangeville knot the count at 18:11 with Wanless pulling the trigger.

One of the most aggressive lines on the ice, Gordie Bell, Jan Riddall and Dan Arbie put the Tanners in front at 1:16 of the third period with Riddall the marksmen. Hughie McDonald tied it up for Orangeville at 9:12 setting the stage for Riddall's winning goal.

It came at 13:27 from a scramble around the Orangeville net. Harold Townsley picked it up behind the net, relayed to Riddall in front and he made no mistake with a point blank shot.

First Period  
No scoring.  
Pens. — Snider, Grashy, Little, Grashy, Marchment.

Second Period  
A-B. Inglis (D. Arbie) ..... 6:00  
O-M. Townley (H. McDonald) ..... 9:04  
A-P. Bodendistel (G. Bell) 14:30  
O-J. Wanless (McDonald) 18:11  
Pens. — Grashy, Bob Church, B. Inglis (5 min.), M. Marchment and D. Milton each received 2 minute roughing, 10 min. misconduct and game misconduct.

Third Period  
A-J. Riddall (G. Bell, H. Townsley) ..... 1:16  
O-H. McDonald ..... 9:12  
A-J. Riddall (H. Townsley) ..... 13:27  
Pens. — Little, Beaumont, Bill Church (2), Wanless, Bell, Bodendistel, Davidson, Wanless, Richardson (2).

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8:30 p.m. — Orangeville vs Acton Tanners

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26  
9-12 noon — Figure Skating  
1-6 p.m. — Legion Minor Hockey  
8-10 p.m. — Public Skating

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27  
10-11:30 a.m. — Ind. Hockey  
11:30-1 p.m. — Tanners practice  
1:45-3:45 p.m. — Public Skating  
7-10 p.m. — Ind. League Hockey

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28  
Curling

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29  
Curling

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30  
2-3 p.m. — Mothers and pre-school children Public Skating  
6-10 p.m. — Tri-County Hockey — Novice, Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1  
7-9 p.m. — Legion Minor Hockey  
9-10 p.m. — Tri-County Juveniles

Juves win easy one  
Acton Lions Juveniles merely bludgeoned the ice last Wednesday to post a win over Elmira here.

O.H.A. Int. B standings as of Nov. 21, 1966

	GP	W	L	T	Pts.
Hespeler	3	2	0	1	4
Acton	2	1	0	1	2
Fergus	1	1	0	0	2
Seaford	1	1	0	0	2
Orangeville	3	0	0	3	0

Novices lose two close ones  
Acton Novices lost two decisions in Tri-County hockey this week. They were edged 3-2 by Milton here, Wednesday, and dropped a 3-0 game to Oakville.

Elmira team failed to show up for the scheduled Tri-County match so the game was awarded to Acton.