

Tanners start playoffs with Durham



TANNER NETMINDER Tommy Ayres had a shut-out going for him after two periods of right, clears the puck in this shot around the net. Then the Rocks bounced back into con-

Winding up the schedule with a win Friday night could be a good omen for Acton Tanners in the playoffs.

The Tanners meet the Durham Huskies in a best of seven group semi-final starting Thursday night in Durham. Second game of the series is here Friday night.

The series returns to Durham next Tuesday and comes back here again Friday night, repeating the pattern the following week if the games are necessary. A seventh and final game, if necessary, would follow on the Sunday afternoon.

Seaford and Hespeler lock in the other best-of-seven final. All games here in the series will be played at 9 p.m. Durham games will start at 8:30 p.m.

Dates and times for the playoffs were settled at a meeting in Harrison Monday evening attended by president Jack Marshall, Ross Ballentine and Roy Goodwin of the Tanners executive. Convener Bob Brathwaite of Durham presided. O.H.A. past president "Pat" Patterson of Guilford was also present.

There was some rejoicing in the Tanner camp when it was announced they'd meet the Huskies rather than the three-time Int. B. champion Seaford Beav-

ers in the semi-finals. The Tanners think they've got a good chance of upsetting the Huskies if all the players appear for the series.

"We've got as good a team as any in the league," declared one member of the executive. "If we can get by Durham we'll give Seaford a real battle in the group finals, presuming, of course, the Beavers eliminate Hespeler."

First game Thursday night in Durham will be a big one for coach Max Stafford and his crew. They'd like very much to win one in Durham and force this series. If they could do that and bag a win here Friday there's a good chance they might just do that.

The last meeting between the two teams saw Durham win a thriller in overtime and they were extended to the limit.

The Tanners are leaving by bus for Durham Thursday and there's still some seats left for fans. A large cheering section from Acton might just give them the encouragement they need.

Tickets for the bus can be purchased at the arena canteen, from Ross Ballentine, Harry Inscow or any member of the executive. Friday night one of the largest

crowds of the season is expected for the first home game of the series. The Tanners will be putting their Sunday punch behind it.

One of their big problems this season which saw them get off to a poor start was their inability to put the puck in the net. Indications now point to a "break." They could fill the nets with pucks.

Tourney bants win 6-2 decision

In an exhibition game with Streetsville the Acton bantam four town tourney team took a decisive win over their visitors with a 6-2 victory. Gord Marzavay paced the locals with four markers and an assist. Ron Loutlet chipped a couple as well as assisting on a pair. Randy Coler assisted on Loutlet and Murray markers.

J. Mox and D. Harple scored unassisted for the visiting Streetsville club.

Streetsville served five of the nine penalties sentenced by officials Tom Ginger and Steve McCulloch.

Friday night one of the largest

Novices down New Hamburg 1-0 take first round of playoffs

Acton Novices eliminated New Hamburg from the O.M.H.A. Novice "B" playoffs with a 1-0 victory Saturday night.

Jeff Townsley drilled the only goal of the game at the 12:40 mark of the second period to give the Acton kids the win in a fast skating contest. Acrobatic Mike Pearce, the New Hamburg netminder, stole the show with his stops as he turned aside a margin of over 3-1.

Coach Barry Inscow said his club completely dominated play but had trouble putting the puck past the goalkeeper in front of a large minor hockey crowd in New Hamburg. He described the game as a "dandy."

There was only one penalty - with about five minutes left to play and it was served by Kent Kenner of the Acton club.

Second win of the best-of-three series for the locals - they won the first 3-1 - they'll wait for the next round now. It could be either Fergus or Elmira.

Warm turns, twists machine shears pins

The Schomberg machine which does the sweeping - shaving - flooding at the arena has been incurring indigestion, shearing pins and generally acting up, arena manager Harold Townsley told the recreation committee Thursday night.

"What's the matter with it?" asked Ted Tyler Jr.

"It needs a little body warmth," exclaimed Mr. Townsley, advocating heat in the storage area at the rear of the arena. The worm starts to twist first thing in the morning when it's cold, agreed the chairman, causing slow deterioration.

The arena manager was to investigate possible ways of heating the area until more permanent heating is installed.

Tri-County club tops 4-towners

In a game played as much for enjoyment as being competitive Acton Tri-County Bantam club took a 6-1 decision from the town league 4-town tourney Bantams.

John Snow and Randy Weldon each potted a pair for the Tri-County All Stars and Mike Field notched one goal and collected two assists. Dale Fisher, Pete Morrison, George McPhail, Dennis Harnden and Brad Timbers earned one assist apiece.

4-town team: Trevor Swan, Danny McGilloway, Steve Connell, Randy Coler, Ron Hurren, Seth Armstrong, John Jordan, Garth Taylor, Bron Irvin, Gord Murray, Roger Swan, Ron Loutlet, Randy Marsh, Charlie Kulkon, Tim Coler, Ron Waites, Dave Pink, Randy Ferguson.

Tri-County: Ted Hagen, Steve Webster, Mark Nielsen, Randy Weldon, George McPhail, Pete Morrison, Dale Fisher, John Snow, Dennis Harnden, Harry Lawson, Brad Timbers, Riny Schuts, Mike Field.

PLAYOFFS I TRI-COUNTY

Wednesday, February 21

PEE WEES
Elmira at Acton
7 p.m.

BANTAMS
Fergus at Acton
8 p.m.

MIDGETS
Fergus at Acton
9 p.m.

Admission 50c and 25c
Family Price \$1.
or use your
Season's Ticket

ACTON ARENA SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
6:7 p.m. - Hockey School
7:8 p.m. - Pee Wee (Tri-Cty)
Elmira vs Acton
8:9 p.m. - Bantam (Tri-Cty)
Fergus vs Acton
9:10 p.m. - Midgets (Tri-Cty)
Fergus vs Acton
10:11 p.m. - Ind. Hockey

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22
2:3 p.m. - Mothers and Pre-School Children
6:8 p.m. - Figure Skating
8:9 p.m. - Legion Hockey
9:10 p.m. - Juveniles (Tri-Cty) Practice
10:12 p.m. - Ind. Hockey

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23
6:30-7:30 - Novice (Tri-Cty) Practice
9 p.m. - Int "B" Hockey - Durham vs Acton Tanners

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24
8:9 a.m. - Hockey Practice (Legion)
9:15-10:45 a.m. - Private Lessons Figure Skating
10:45-12:45 - Figure Skating
1:6 p.m. - Legion Hockey
6:15 - Bantam (Tri-Cty) - Fergus vs Acton
8:10 p.m. - Public Skating

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25
8:11 a.m. - Industrial Hockey
11:12-30 p.m. - Yanner Practice
1:2 p.m. - Tri-Cty Novice - 2:4 p.m. - Public Skating
4:30-5:30 p.m. - Midget Practice
5:30-6:30 p.m. - Pee Wee Practice
7:15-10:15 p.m. - Industrial Hockey

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Curling
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27
Curling

Legion town league tallies

ATOM
Weston topped Brampton 8-1 in the atom town league opener Saturday. Jeff Shields notched a five goal tally for the victors with assists going to Scott Withers and L. Brown with singles. Mike Ware nabbed a pair on Bruce McPhail's assists. Mike Morris and P. Zions tallied the remaining Weston markers with Bruce McPhail.

Brampton's lone tally came from Scott Malcolm with Danny Webster assisting late in the third stanza.
B. Kilby served the only penalty, for Brampton, on a tripping sentence.

NOVICE
Niagara Falls blanked Oshawa 7-0 in the first half of the novice twin bill. Steve Papillon paced the Flyers with a four marker tally. Assists went to Jim Hurley and Norm Thornhill. Rick Baginski assisted on all three of the remaining scores from Norm Thornhill, Jim Hurley and Eddie Enking.

St. Kitts edged Hamilton in 2-1 battle in the second novice set as Steve Brunelle tallied a goal and an assist for the winners. Ford Alton scored the winner for St. Catharines at the 8:00 minute mark in the third period.

Hearn scored for Hamilton early in the first stanza from Gord Toth to lead the first two

periods before St. Kitt's comeback.
Both squads suffered a pair of penalties as M. McCabe and John McCutcheon served interference and tripping sentences for Hamilton. Ford Alton and Tyers served flooding and holding penalties for St. Catharines.

PEE WEES
Baltimore dropped Springfield 7-4 in the pee wee starter. Mike Ferguson tallied a hat trick for Baltimore, along with three assists. Jim McNabb tallied a marker and assisted on five scores. Charlie McCrae nabbed a pair with one assist. Brian Storey caged a marker on a Gary Fisher assist.

Dave Forester tallied three of Springfield's markers unassisted. Dave Burke rounded out the score with a pointer assisted by Forester and Bernie Taylor.
McKenzie and Taylor served tripping sentences for Springfield, sentenced by officials Gary Masales and Don Ford.

Rochester doubled up on Cleveland with a 4-2 win in the second half of the pee wee feature. Peter Hargrave netted a pair for Rochester. John Hansen marked a score and an assist and Kevin Marcoux tallied from Glen McKenzie.

Cleveland's tally came from Steve Marshall and John King-smillie's marker.

Playoffs

Bantams blank Fergus 4-0 Sat.

Acton Bantams got off to a good start in the first round of the O.M.H.A. Bantam "B" playoffs Saturday, blanking Fergus 4-0 right in this tiebreak.

Ted Hagen and Steve Webster hung up the shut-out for the Acton team, sharing a glittering goal-

tending job. The Fergus club, smaller perhaps than the Acton team, showed lots of hustle but the Acton defense stunted them down. Brad Timbers was singled out for his work at the blue line.

There was no scoring in the first period. Acton grabbed a 2-0 lead in the second stanza and added two more in the third. Dale Fisher connected first from Randy Weldon and George McPhail drilled number two from Pete Morrison.

Acton tops Marlin St. volleyballers

by Steven Dills

Acton's Robert Little Public School took top honors from Marlin Street Senior Public School of Milton Thursday night, in a three-game volleyball tournament.

Marlin Street won the first boys' game with a lot of help from Jim Robertson who put seven over the net. Final tally was 15-7.

The Miltonians weakened, however, and Acton took the next two with scores of 15-8 and 15-5.

The games, which included competition between the girls as well, were played in either 15-minute periods or first team to reach 15 points.

In the third period Pete Morrison cashed a relay from John Snow and Dale Fisher to make it 3-0. Prettiest goal of the night was Johnny Snow's in the last five minutes of stop time. He broke in the clear, deked the Fergus netminder, and scored.

Both clubs were critical of the referees who "let things go" at first and then clamped down hard with "cheap" penalties. They handed out 23 sentences, 12 of them to Acton.

Next game in the best three-of-five series will be played here tonight (Wednesday) at 8 p.m. Third game is here at 6:30 on Saturday.

ACTON

by Cathy Krul

On February 13, the Acton Senior Girls extended their winning streak by winning the game over Erin. In the first quarter the score was tied 6-6.

Heather McGeachie, Trudy Morris and Britta Larson scored in the second period to bring the score to 8-15 for Acton. Acton continued to dominate the game in the second half. The final score was 23-17.

The top scorers were Janet Braida - 4 points, Britta Larson 4 points, Heather McGeachie 5 points and Linda Wood with 8 points.

The line-up was Janet Braida, Linda Wood, Donna Williams, Britta Larson, Bev Brunelle, Heather McGeachie, Trudy Morris, Irene Savorenski and Cathy Krul.

The Juniors also extended their losing streak. In the first few minutes there were twelve fouls. Joan Gibbins and Debbie Slingerland both scored in the first quarter.

At half time Erin edged out Acton with the score of 6-14. In the third quarter Acton went out to score nine points.

Trina Van der Polder scored 5 points and Susan Clenhaming scored 3 with Joan Gibbins scoring 1. Erin then set out to trounce the Acton team. The final buzzer went as the score was 23-15 for Erin.

The line-up was Bonnie Jones, Linda Perry, Susan Clenhaming, Susan McGilloway, Joan Gibbins, Marg Slaven, Carol Masales, Debbie Slingerland, Trina van der Polder, Chris Brunelle and Julie Smith.

An ice boat can sail faster than the wind, but a sailboat because of friction drag in the water cannot.

Bank president: "Where's the cashier?"
Teller: "At the races."
President: "During business hours?"
Teller: "Yes, sir, it's his last chance to make the books balance."

7-4 decision

Tanners break Rocks in playoff previewer

In their last scheduled game of the season before playoffs, Acton Tanners dumped the Elora Rocks in a 7-4 decision last Friday night.

Tanners held a 4-0 lead going into the third stanza with one counter in the first and three in the second. Tommy Ayres had a shut-out until the first play of the third period.

The Acton opener came at 7:29 when Stu McDonald manoeuvred in over the Elora blue line to score from Jim Farelley and Billy Wheeler. Farelley caged his first half of a set at 8:11 in the second period from

Wheeler and McDonald. Terry Lane tallied unassisted at 11:55.

Harry Phillips held the Tanner lead with a shot that caught the Elora netminder off-guard on a set-up from Steve Townsley and Jim Cunningham at 15:20.

Hughes broke the ice for the Rocks in the third stanza with an opening pair of scores at :35 second mark and again at 4:22. Assists went to Hillis and Fontinato on the first marker and McKee and Watkins on number two.

Billy Wheeler called on the Elora nets with a career at 8:39 from Farelley and Cunningham

Hughes replied at 9:56 with another Elora take from McKee and Hillis.

Jim Farelley notched his second counter of the night from Wheeler and Currio at 13:17 and a recuperating Harold Townsley slammed in a goal from son, Steve, at 14:50.

Elora finished the scoring at 16:26 when Power scored from Dion.

Acton served three of the five penalties sentenced during the bout.

Tanners will journey to Durham Thursday night to start the best of five playoff matches and return here on Friday night.

Industrial hockey

Orioles subdue Raiders Hornets jostle Jets 8-4

Orioles defeated the Raiders 7-4 in Sunday night's industrial league opener.

First period scoring came from Bruce Barber on a Bill Cook assist. With three more Oriole markers from John Goy on two and John Cunningham one, they led going into the third stanza 4-1. Bill Coon caged the lone Raider marker in the second period from Gord Mason and Doug Garrett.

Gary Ritchie and Denis Gibbons earned Oriole assists during the second period scoring.

Gord Van Gils and Jim McDonald came back for the Raiders with two quick markers in the third from Mason and Gerry Vander Eyken. Cunningham, Goy, and Ward tallied another triple count for the Orioles from Gib-

bons, Ward and Cunningham.

Raider Jim McDonald tallied the scoring unassisted.

Bill Coon received a holding of the puck sentence for the Raiders in the second stanza while Gary Ritchie served an interference call for the Orioles in the third period.

Hornets doubled up on the Jets with an 8-4 tally in the second half of the twin bill.

Stu McDonald earned himself a hat trick for the Hornets on assists from Barry Wilson and Glen Holmes. Rich Gordon botched a Hornet pair with Glen Holmes assisting on one. Larry McKaffee, Ruddy Holmes and Steve Goy tallied the remaining Hornet markers as Wilson, Dave Papillon, Stu McDonald and Glen Holmes made the assists.

4-3 victory

Y's Men peewees win boosts playoff hopes

It was do or die last night in Elmira for the local tri-county pee wees as they fought to stay in the best of five playoffs round with their hosts Elmira Lions.

After dropping their first two bouts to the Elmira team 3-2 and 4-2, the Acton club came back with a win during the dying minutes of overtime in last night's game.

Last Wednesday night when Acton played host to the Elmira club, Terry Holmes and Steve McIntyre made the local score sheet on Bill Cushman and Paul Dally assists during the 3-2 loss.

Back in Elmira on Saturday in the 4-2 loss, Steve McIntyre tallied unassisted and Billy McGilloway scored from Terry Holmes as Elmira took the game with one in the first and three quick ones in the third stanza.

last night and on a real team effort cornered themselves a 4-3 victory.

Acton led going into the third period when Steve McIntyre scored from Billy McGilloway in the first period and McGilloway replied unassisted in the second.

Elmira came back in the third with three quick markers as Schlitt, Freeman and Heckendorf counted to tie up the game 3-3. Steve McIntyre saved the day in the dying minutes of the bout with the unassisted tie marker and overtime caller.

Again during the last few seconds of the game the Acton Y's men broke through to score on the Elmira nets as Billy McGilloway scored the winner on a Steve McIntyre assist.

Elmira returns here to Acton to meet the Y's mens team at 7 p.m., tonight.

Old trophy for new case

Tarnished but still a very desirable trophy will soon be going into the trophy case at the community centre when elbow grease brings back the shine.

It was identified as the Patterson trophy, up for annual midget competition the first time in 1932-33. Mike McCristall gave it to arena manager H. Townsley. His team won it in 1941, the year before the arena was closed and packed with wool to aid the war effort.

If there are any more old trophies in town, Mr. Townsley reports there's a place for them at the community centre.

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