



REPRESENTING ACTON in the Novice class of the Four Town Tournament here Saturday will be this team with coach Ron Schmidt and manager Clarence Hill in back. Kneeling in front, Marv McNabb. Front row, left to right, Jim Hurlay, Steve Br-

T. Ayres, J. Sweeney almost topple Huskies in third game of playoff series

With only nine players appearing for Thursday's game in Durham, coach Max Stafford was forced to dress himself and put veteran goaltender Jim Sweeney in a forward's suit.

The desperation move almost paid off as the Tanners bamboozled the Huskies for two periods before finally dropping a 6-2 decision. A couple of extra men could have made all the difference as the 10 Tanners gave all they had in an effort to keep the team in the playoffs.

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changed direction and caught the net. But the fatal stroke came at 8:45.

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out with lots of bounce in the third and were outlucked rather than outplayed. Husky blue liner John Shafar put Durham ahead at the 7:45 mark on a puck which

up in the last period of play.

Durham tallied the first four markers within the first 10 minutes from Kerr, Nowell, Nixon and Vaughan.

Torry Lane managed to bring a little hops on the Tannor scoreboard when he tallied at 12:34 from Norton to end the first period scoring.

Second period action saw both squads wrapped up in an involved game of mill pond pool until Harold Townsley slapped one in at 16:15 from Don Norton and Dennis Snider.

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Tanners bow from Int. 'B' playoff series

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Meeting in Guelph to iron out problems

In an attempt to straighten out suspensions and get stories straight, a special meeting of the O.M.H.A. was held in Guelph last night with officials of the Acton Juniors hockey team.

Big item on the agenda was the suspension of Brian Farrell of the Acton team for being involved in an altercation with referees during an exhibition game in Erin. Also involved was the alleged disappearance of the score sheet.

O.M.H.A. officials Alf Moore and Jim Kinsley attended as well as coach Howie Leader, manager "Pop" Schuts, Ed Owen and Brian Farrell.

Suspensions of Acton players could have a bearing on the playoffs with Fergus which start Friday. The series is a best-of-three. It's possible the Acton team could be three players short for the first game.

Word was received this morning that the meeting last night suspended Brian Farrell for the Fergus series which opens March 16. No action was taken on the missing score sheet.

Novice squad suffers defeat in Fergus

Acton's tri-county novice team saw a complete reversal of tactics as they played in their first game of this playoff series with Fergus last night.

The local squad suffered a 4-1 defeat to the Fergus club with a number of the Acton players absent due to illness.

Gary Barden tallied the Acton marker, unassisted.

The I.G.A. novices return to Fergus on Sunday to play their third game with the tally presently at one game apiece.

the SPORTS spot
BY JOHN MCNABB

Acton's Tanners have hung up their skates for another season after Friday night's fourth straight loss at the hands of the Durham Huskies. The Huskies will go on to meet the winners of the Seaford - Hespeler series which will have been decided by this time. Seaford, the probable victors, have a 3-1 lead in their series with Hespeler Mike Macs.

The Tanners bowed gracefully but not without a determined effort as witnessed more so in their away games than at home.

Last Thursday night's game in Durham looked like the locals had the "stuff" to make it a win, until the team began to tire in the third period of play.

This has been routine for the local club throughout the season. Two first periods of hard play and then they run into a third period slump due chiefly to lack of players.

It isn't exactly that the Tanners haven't a whole team signed its just that a different portion wasn't present for each game.

The inconsistent roll call for each game left the lines upset and most often unorganized.

On the whole, the Tanners didn't do as bad as all that, for a team that was almost snuffed out for lack of an executive at the beginning of the season. The club did show promise and hopes are high for next season's team.

Milton Merchant Jr. "C" club met quite an upset at the hands of the Georgetown Raiders Sunday afternoon after an 11-2 defeat. The previous Friday night's playoff game in Milton saw the Merchants muster a 5-3 win with the absence of Raider coach Gerry Inglis.

Gerry Inglis seems to have the knack of firing up the Georgetown club, whether this helps their chances of winning or not, his presence was surely evident at Sunday's outbreak in the dying minutes of the second period.

The junior "free for all" resulted in the suspension of both coaches for the next two games and \$10 fines for every player on both squads but two. One of the two that were free from fines was hurt and the other player was in the penalty box when the brawl broke out. Fines totalled close to \$300.

Excitement and enthusiasm is building up in the minds of the four town tournament participants. The tournament which takes place this Saturday, involves the novice, pee wee and bantam teams from Milton, Georgetown, Fergus and Acton.

Milton and Georgetown bantams open the tourney at daybreak (7:15 a.m.). Acton bantams meet Fergus at 10:20 a.m. for the local beginner.

Legion town league tallies

ATOMS

Weston leads the playoff race in the atom division of town league hockey action against Brampton. With a win and a tie Weston stands two points up on the Brampton squad in the best three of five series.

Saturday's tie game saw Jeff Shields count Weston's marker, unassisted, while Scott Malcolm netted one for Brampton from Russ Leg for the 1-1 tally.

NOVICE

Hamilton ended on top in the first half of the novice playoff series in the two game total goal race against Oshawa.

Hamilton clinched their victory with a 4-1 win over Oshawa on Saturday.

Dave Morris tallied two for the third and was outlucked rather than outplayed. Husky blue liner John Shafar put Durham ahead at the 7:45 mark on a puck which

the series was reflected in the number who went to Durham for the third game -- three.

Their consternation was shared by the executive.

They figured Ayres should have been No. 1.

The disappointment of Acton fans in the players who failed to show up for the final games of

Toth of Hamilton for holding during the bout.

Niagara Falls capped the second half of the novice series on total goals against St. Kitts.

Norin Thornhill and Steve Panton tallied the 2-0 win for Niagara Falls on Saturday with Rick Baginski assisting on Panton's marker.

Niagara won their series with a 7-3 victory in total goals.

Cleveland tallied enough markers last week against Springfield to win the first half of their playoff series 10-8.

Springfield battled to come within three goals and the win for the series with a 5-3 victory last Saturday.

Bernie Taylor paced the Springfield squad with a trio of tallies assisted by Bill McKenzie, David Burke and Bill Paul.

Dave Burke cornered a pair of markers with assists going to Tony Lambert and Bernie Taylor.

Les Coles received an interference penalty for Cleveland while Terry Slaven and David Burke were penalized for high sticking and slashing.

In the second pee wee series Baltimore came out on top with a 7-4 win over Rochester. Baltimore took the series with a 10-15 total goal score of two games.

Jim McNabb tallied a triple tally for Baltimore while Steve Ward netted a pair, Mike Ferguson a single and Brian Storey a single. Mike Ferguson, Brian Storey, Charles McCray and Jim McNabb made the assists.

Rochester's tally came from John McKenzie with a pair while John Rochester and Bob Murray capped singles. Rochester assisted on three of the markers and Glen McKenzie one.

Durham scored seconds later when Nowell potted one by Ayres from Kerr at 16:53.

Acton opened the third stanza scoring as Stu McDonald found the mark on a Harry Phillips assist at 3:01.

Durham took advantage of an Acton penalty at 8:54 when Kerr scored from Vaughan.

Dennis Snider had been previously penalized for roughing at 8:45.

Cec Cowie tallied the Husky scoring in the third period from veteran Jim Nixon at 18:01.

Both clubs served three minor penalties apiece during the game. It was a poor ending for the Tanners who showed promise at one stage of the season as being the team to beat. Durham will meet the Seaford - Hespeler winner in the league finals.

Novices win first game of playoffs

The combination of Russ Van Fleet and Gerald Barden played a big part as Acton Novices downed Fergus 4-2 in the first game of the O.M.H.A. Novice "B" zone semi-finals.

Russ scored three Acton goals and assisted on the other in the victory here Sunday afternoon while Gerald lagged the fourth marker and helped on the first three. Jeff Townsley and Kent Kentner each collected an assist as well.

Coach Barry Inscow was pleased with his club's performance, said they skated well and played positional hockey.

The Acton club took a quick 2-0

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J. McNab, B	4	3
M. Ferguson, B	4	1
C. McRae, B	3	2
H. Storey, B	2	2
S. Ward, B	2	3
G. McKenzie, R	5	2
P. Hargrave, R	1	0
J. Rochester, R	2	3
J. Hanson, H	1	2
K. Marcoux, R	0	2
W. Allan, C	1	2
D. Foster, S	2	0
R. Coultrap, S	1	0
D. Burro, S	3	2
J. Kingsmill, C	1	1
S. Marshall, C	3	1
W. Knight, C	2	6
P. Pavil, C	1	0
B. Robinson, C	1	0
Y. Armstrong, C	0	1
L. Coles, C	1	1
B. Taylor, S	3	1
B. McKenzie, S	0	1
B. Paul, S	0	1
T. Lambert, S	0	1
R. Murray, R	1	0

BANTAMS

C. Kuken, H	3	1
R. McCulloch, H	2	1
T. Swan, H	1	1
R. Marsh, H	0	3
R. Downes, H	1	0
R. Gibbons, H	0	1
G. Turkosz, B	1	1
K. Hurren, B	1	0
R. Loutlet, B	1	0
G. Murray, B	0	1

PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 7, 1968

Bantams, First Game Finals - 8 p.m. - Horshey vs. Pittsburg. Best 2 out of 3.

Saturday, March 16, 1968

ATOMS
Third Game of Finals
1 p.m. - Brampton vs. Weston

NOVICE
First Game Finals
2 p.m. - Hamilton vs. Nia. Falls
2 out of 3

PEE WEES
First Game Finals
3 p.m. - Cleveland vs. Baltimore
2 out of 3

PLAYOFF SCORING

ATOMS		G	A
S. Malcolm, B	2	0	
J. Shields, W	3	0	
M. Ware, W	0	1	
G. Broco, B	0	1	
G. Owen, B	0	1	
R. Lee, B	0	1	
NOVICE			
M. McNab, H	1	0	
D. Morris, H	3	1	
J. McCutcheon, H	1	0	
G. Toth, H	1	3	
J. Scoyne, O	1	0	
G. Snow, O	2	0	

ACTON ARENA SCHEDULE

- (MONTH OF MARCH)
- MONDAYS
Curling
 - TUESDAYS
Curling
 - WEDNESDAYS
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 - THURSDAYS
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Tri-County Hockey
 - FRIDAYS
Tri-County Hockey
Industrial Hockey
 - SATURDAYS
Legion Hockey
Public Skating
 - SUNDAYS
Public Skating
Minor Hockey
Industrial Hockey

"Borrowed" equipment

Acton Tanners equipment manager "Sonny" Townsley is annoyed because some sweaters and sticks are missing from the team's dressing room.

Mr. Townsley says he knows who "borrowed" the equipment on successive Thursday nights and will not press charges if the items are returned to the community centre in good shape.

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