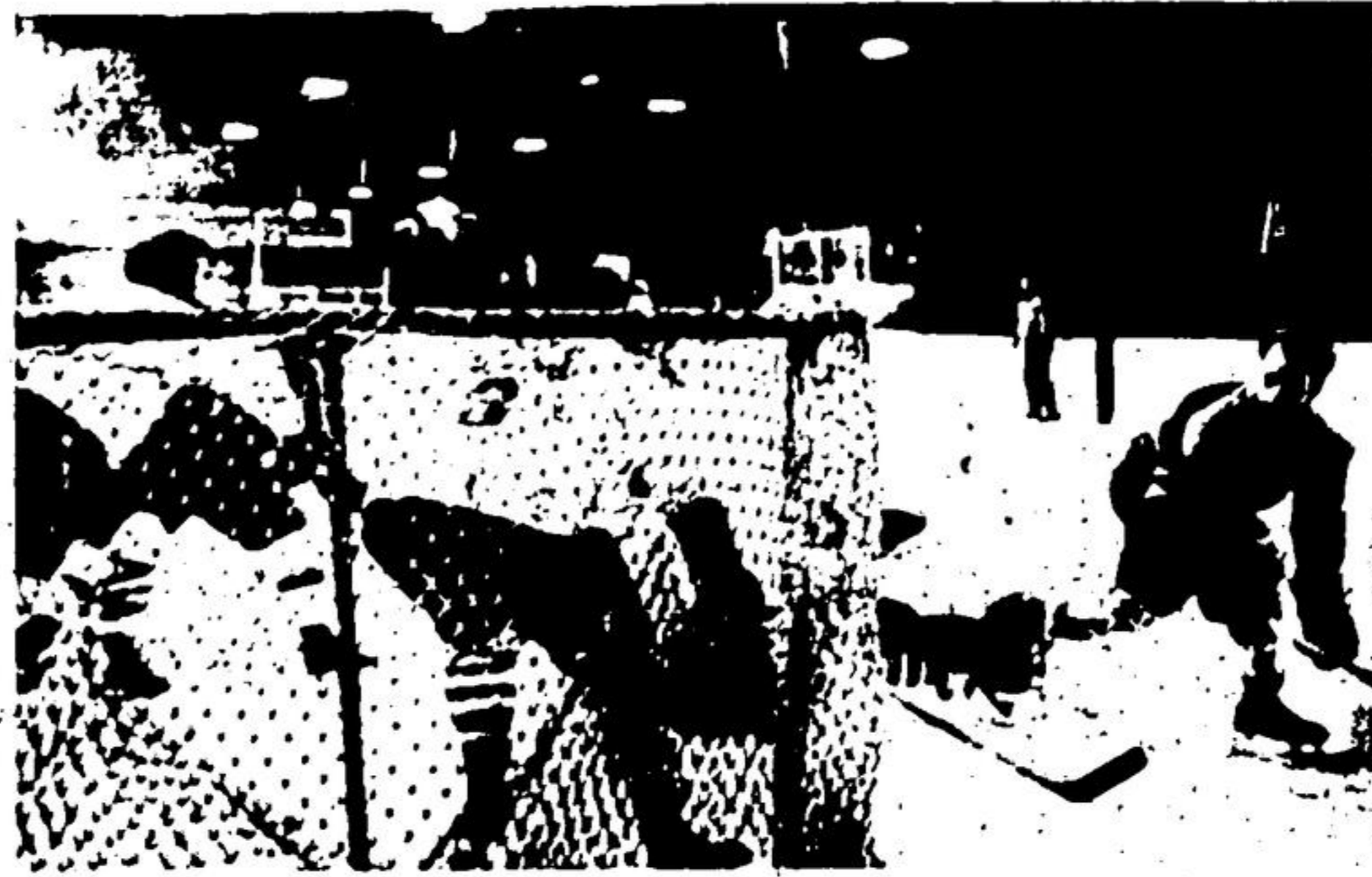




I'VE GOT IT, Tanner goalkeeper Jim Sweeney says as the Aston club repulses a Georgetown Raider assault on their bastion. Defenceman Phil Marzo sprawls in front of Sweeney while Ron Malcolm (17), Ken Hearn, Holly Dron and Jim Farrelly check to make sure Sweeney is holding on. Veteran Raider centre Blake Inglis, a three goal scorer is on the left, Don Norton (9) on the right. (Staff Photo)



WINGMAN HOLLY DRONE, right, was right in on Raider goaltender Norm Lockhurst in Friday's contest but the roly poly netminder came up with the puck to foil another Tanner thrust. His mates fill in for him while he temporarily vacates his post. Georgetown had no trouble downing the inept Acton squad 9-1. (Staff Photo)



TEMPERS FLARED in the final minutes of Friday's contest as Cole of the Raiders tried to get at fans who grabbed him. The referee tabbed the Georgetown player with a match misconduct for his part in the fracas. Officials soon broke the high stick party up. (Staff Photo)

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WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE of Minor Hockey Week with the motto still, "DON'T SEND TAKE YOUR BOY TO THE ARENA AND STAY TO SEE HIM PLAY."

Good motto and good week to show your support for minor hockey. We don't need to go into a long-winded panegyric on the value of minor hockey in Acton and district, where men unselfishly give of their time and talent to show the boys how to play and provide them with ideal playing conditions.

We are prone to take this type of service for granted and don't realize its true value until an ardent coach, manager or executive member moves away or becomes sick and tired of endless criticism—and hangs up his tack. Then it is too late!

So here's a tip of the old chapeau to all you out there who take an interest in and promote minor hockey for the town and district.

THE CANADIAN AMATEUR HOCKEY Association suggests that every minor hockey coach ask himself and in some cases herself these questions during minor hockey week:

What am I trying to do?
 Am I trying to give kids a chance to play hockey?
 Am I trying to keep kids off the street?
 Am I really interested in boys?
 Am I really trying to develop better citizens?
 Am I really teaching my boys the fundamentals of good sportsmanship?
 Am I giving every boy an equal chance to play hockey?
 Am I trying to see that the boys Have Fun playing hockey?
 or
 Am I trying to win games to bolster my own ego?
 Do I say "I won eight games" or "My kids won eight games"?

And then ask, "which is most important?"

THE MINOR HOCKEY COMMITTEE suggests that every minor hockey coach might well decide early what his objectives are.

We further suggest that the good coach, the coach who is sincerely interested in the welfare of boys, will try to make sure that every boy has fun; that they are reminded constantly that they are playing a game, and that play and game means having fun. Then add instruction in sportsmanship and good citizenship.

When these lessons have been learned, the boys will be ready for further teaching of the fundamentals of hockey.

Remember—Enjoying the game is more important than the soon forgotten championships.

—Teach the FUN-damentals.

The loss said about the game Acton Tanners played here Friday night the better. Georgetown Raiders, sporting a line-up of old Tanners and with some good Juniors from last year to boot were head and shoulders above the Acton club. The Tanners seemed to want to play as individuals rather than as a team and it just doesn't work out.

One of the largest crowds of the season saw the game but the Tanners will attract a lot less if they come up with many more like that one. Fans felt the club just wasn't trying.

Friday night they will have the chance to redeem themselves with a game against Elmira. There's a forward line from the Industrial league line-up that could help the club—Goy, Arbie and Stu McDonald.

BEST BITS... The Juniors start the playoffs with Merriton on Sunday over in the Niagara Peninsula town. First round is a three out of five and coach Jim James is anxious to see how his charges do against the Merriton squad. He and manager Bob Marshall got a big kick out of the win over Georgetown here last Thursday night. But Jim got the biggest bang out of it because he just moved here from our neighboring town a few months ago... Denis Gibbons is looking for the Tri-County Novice 'B' trophy, won by the Acton club last season. He'd appreciate anyone knowing the trophy's whereabouts to give him a call. The league is calling them in. Sure sign playoffs are just around the corner... Nice to see the Acton Novices win one. In fact, delightful...

Raiders wallop listless Tanners

Former Tanners figured in every goal as the visiting Georgetown Raiders dumped a listless team of Acton Tanners 9-1 Friday night in front of one of the largest crowds of the season.

Fans came out expecting to see a renewal of the old Acton-Georgetown intermediate hockey rivalry but were disappointed by a lacklustre showing from the Acton club which lately looked like it might be breaking out of a long slump.

The old lamplighter Blake Inglis, roaming almost unmolested in front of the Acton goal, gave his former mates the most trouble, scoring three goals and assisting on two more. T. Rogers got two for the visitors; P. Lavell one and last year Tanners Terry Lane and Don Norton riddled one apiece.

Fred Buchanan, patrolling right wing for the Tanners spoiled netminder Norm Lockhurst's shutout at 14:41 of the final period on a play with hard working Gordie Bell and Jan Riddall. Lockhurst had long stretches of comparatively nothing to do while Tanner netminder Jim Sweeney was besieged in his own end.

In spite of the fact the game was top-sided in the goal-scoring end and Raiders dominated play the Acton club had their moments. They showed a reluctance to shoot unless they were right on Lockhurst's doorstep and this seemed to spoil many good chances. They trailed 3-0 at the end of the first period and 7-0 by the time the bell rang at the end of the second.

Fans, remembering the comeback the Tanners staged against Port Elgin when they were behind 6-1 as they went into the third, stayed close to the action but were disappointed. Most exciting part of the game was a bout of fistcuffs between Holly Drone of the Tanners and Lavell of the Raiders and it evaporated into a lot of maneuvering.

Late in the game another altercation took place between some fans obviously bent on annoying the visitors and forward Jim Cole. The Georgetown player received a match misconduct for his part in the stick-swinging episode while the fans escaped.

The Tanners were missing Kevin Hall, Steve Townsley, Jim James, Steve Gervais and Ron Asseltine from the line-up but the Raiders were ailing, too. League leading scorer Paul Robinson is sitting out a six game suspension.

Next game here is Friday night when the Tanners entertain the fast skating Elmira club. Game time 8.30 p.m.

First Period
 G Inglis (Blair).....2.39
 G Inglis (Cole).....10.44
 G Rogers (Inglis).....16.10

Second Period
 G Rogers (Lane, Norton).....3.38
 G Lane (Norton).....6.52
 G B. Inglis.....14.35
 G Lavell (Lane, Inglis).....18.00

Third Period
 G Inglis (Subject).....7.06
 G Norton (T. Lane).....12.06
 A Buchanan (Bell, Riddall) 14.41

Georgetown—N. Lockhurst goal, M. Stafford, P. Lavell, T. Lane, T. Rogers, D. Norton, B. Inglis, J. Cole, W. Davison, L. Doucette, J. Blair, D. Subject, G. Inglis, B. Wheeler.

Acton—J. Sweeney goal, P. Marzo, K. Hearn, G. Bell, J. Riddall, F. Buchanan, B. McDuffe, H. Phillips, H. Townsley, J. Farrelly, H. Drone, J. Bullough, R. Malcolm.

Pee Wees lose to Georgetown

Georgetown Pee Wees took an 8-3 decision from Acton Y's Men's Pee Wees in Tri-County here Wednesday night.

The visitors built up a 5-0 first period lead and then the Acton team matched them the rest of the way, outscoring Georgetown 2-1 in the second stanza.

Billy McGilloway rifled in the first Acton goal at 11:06 of the second assisted by Terry Holmes and Ken Withers. The same line scored again 55 seconds later, Withers doing the honors with the brackets going to Holmes and McGilloway.

Billy McGilloway reduced the margin to 6-3 at the 2:45 mark of the third chapter from Terry Holmes but Georgetown notched two more to win going away.

The Acton club served five of the nine penalties, most of them in the last few minutes when referee Murray Harrison and Y's Men coach Barry Incoe had an across-the-ice discussion on the quality of the officiating. Coach Incoe took the rap.

Dominions down Oaks

Dominion Hotel walloped the Royal Oaks from Oakville 10-2 in shuffleboard here last Thursday. This week the Dominion play Oakville Elms in their home port.

All 10 teams in the league will participate in a shuffleboard tournament at Streetsville Saturday, Feb. 8, trophies and prize money are being donated by a brewery.

Lions nip Georgetown start playoffs Sunday

Acton Lions played fast, hard hockey to defeat the highly rated Georgetown "A" team 3-2 here last Thursday night in Tri-County hockey.

Goalkeeper Craig Weldon excelled in the nets to turn the visitors' shots aside and up front both forwards and defense turned in a heads-up game.

Turning point of the struggle came midway through the final stanza when Pete Marzo was awarded a penalty shot and he turned the Georgetown goaltender inside out as he notched what proved to be the winning goal.

The official awarded Acton the penalty shot when a two man Acton attack was thwarted by a Georgetown player, throwing his stick. Coach Jim James elected Pete to turn the trick for Lions. He made no mistake depositing the pill.

Bob Andrews shot the first Acton goal from Pete Marzo and Brent Marshall in the first period. Brad Timbers fired the second marker from Marzo in the second stanza and Pete finished the job in the third.

An accidental collision in the sandwich session sent Bob Waller to the doctor's office where he received seven stitches over his left eye.

Manager Bob Marshall announced today the club, only Juvenile 'B' team in the Tri-County will start the O.M.H.A. playoffs Sunday in Merriton, a suburb of St. Catharines. Game is at 5 p.m. Return game of the best-of-five will be announced later.

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Preston victim

Kents win first!

A win at last! Acton Kents came from behind last Saturday night in Acton arena against Preston and recorded their first win of the season a 3-1 decision.

Continuing their attack as in their previous game with Preston, the Kents flattered briefly at the 12 minute mark of the first period when Preston

opened the scoring. Kents came back fast in the second period. With Mike Ware serving a tripping penalty, Joe Kentner blasted one into the Preston net at the 1:15 mark. John McCutcheon helped on the play.

Just over six minutes later at the 7:30 mark, Ricky Holmes scored the go-ahead marker when he picked up a loose puck from a defensive effort by Bill Ware.

There was no more scoring in the second frame but both teams served time in the sin bin, Acton a roughing penalty to John McCutcheon, Preston, a roughing and interference penalty.

Playing one of his best games this year, Ricky Holmes again scored for Kents at the 7:30 mark of the third stanza. Ricky picked up a leading pass from John McCutcheon and cruised in on the Preston netminder, beating him cleanly. This ended the scoring in the game.

In the nets for Acton, regular goalie Robin Incoe played another outstanding game and was picked by Preston as Kent's M.V.P.

Bantams battle to tie with Georgetown

Acton Firefighter Bantams and Georgetown hooked up in a real Tri-County thriller here Wednesday night before settling for a 4-4 draw.

Both sides played sparkling hockey and the score by periods was 1-1, 3-3 and wound up 4-4. George McPhail broke in the

clear late in the game and almost sewed up a win for the Acton club but was outguessed.

Pete Morrison bagged two of the Acton goals while Dale Fisher and Ken Hurren drilled singles. Brent Irwin Gary Turkosz and George McPhail picked up assists as well as Pete Morrison.

Oneden rattled in three of the Georgetown goals and Arnold the other from Oneden, Osborne assisted on two and Arnold one.

Coach Townsley and manager Denis Gibbons were both pleased at the team's performance against Georgetown.

At the Legion hall

Activities at Branch 197

Cribbage results after last Thursday night's action were as follows: Reliable Taxi 110, Legion C 101, 230 Club 100, Legion B 96, Civiero 93, Beavers 93, Firemen 90, Legion A 80, Goy Cartage 73, Dominion Hotel 73.

Frank Smith of the Legion A team had a near perfect hand with 28 during the evening.

Tanners lose last night

Acton Tanners lost another squeaker, a 5-3 decision to Cheltenham at Bramalea arena last night (Tuesday).

The Tanners outplayed and outshot the Harvesters but failed to outscore them in spite of five clean-cut break-aways.

A donnybrook with 35 seconds left in the first period involved Ron Asseltine and Holly Drone of the Tanners and they sat out the rest of the game. Three Cheltenham players were also given the boot.

Jim Farrelly, Steve Townsley and playing coach Harold Townsley scored for Acton. Jim Sweeney played well in the nets. "We should have won," coach Townsley claimed. "Had it over them like a tent."

The Tanners play Elmira in Acton Friday night.

In Saturday night's mixed euchre ten tables competed. Results were: Women's Freda Gordon 6-4, Mrs. Allan 6-2, Peg Louett hidden score of 38, Men Frank Winters 6-3, George Duncan 6-3, Mrs. Janet Rogers hidden score 40.

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