

As An O.H.A. Ref, Brian Lewis Leads One Exhausting Life

Ten thousand miles on the road, fifteen nights out of the month on skates, an occasional police escort — it's all part of a typical season for Georgetown's Ontario Hockey Association referee Brian Lewis.



OHA REFEREE BRIAN LEWIS

One of the O.H.A.'s most traveled young officials this season, Lewis worked inside twenty-one different hockey arenas this past winter refereeing every calibre of the sport from Junior C (Penetang, Collingwood, Dundas, Orangeville, Milton and Hespeler) to Junior A (Toronto, Hamilton, Peterboro, Oshawa, London, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Kitchener) and Senior (Orillia, Barrie, Collingwood and Oakville).

His refereeing calendar for the 1965-66 campaign also included Junior B games at Brampton, Burlington, Hamilton and Kitchener, and an Intermediate tilt at Port Dover.

When this season concludes he'll have handled well over 70 hockey games, including some minor league jousts in Georgetown Memorial Arena where he lends a hand whenever his schedule permits.

"I try to referee minor hockey whenever possible because it is where I got my start," Lewis explained. "Minor hockey helped me and I feel I should do my part for it."

His opinions on returning assistance for assistance received, are no hollow gestures. He helped for the Georgetown Referees' Association and served as its referee in chief for four years. He is currently the league commissioner of the Junior A setup in Saturday Morning Hockey, and serves annually as referee in chief of the International Rantam Hockey tournament here.

Ron Breen of Georgetown and Wayne Timbers of Milton have been Lewis' linesmen this season for almost all assignments.

"The OHA likes to keep the same officials together as a unit," he told the Herald. "Officials get to work well together through this system, and it also makes it easier for the OHA to assign their officials to games. A referee is often notified of his assignment and instructed to take his regular linesmen with him," he explained.

"The system works fine, but once we got our communications fouled and Ron was missing at the start of a Junior A game at Maple Leaf Gardens, Wayne and I handled the first period ourselves, but the OHA came to the rescue and had Ron join us for the balance of the game," he said.

Once in London, earlier this year, Lewis tossed the home town captain out of a Junior A game with Oshawa and drew the wrath of the local partisan fans to such an extent that it took a number of burly London policemen to get him safely off the ice and later to his car.

The dark six footer grinned as he remembered the event. "The crowd even smashed the door to the officials' room in while we were getting our skates off and we had a few anxious moments during that episode."

During a Peterboro trip for a game there, Lewis drove directly from his American Motors job, took a back route to avoid rush hour traffic and got lost. He arrived at game time and did the game without supper and a healthy growth of eight o'clock stubble.

Even the record snow storm in February failed to keep the local officiating unit from its assignment although fans who sat from 2.30 to 3.30 in the St. Catharines arena waiting for the game to start no doubt thought they would never show up.

Lewis has refereed one game

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Wodhams Qualifies For Silver Expert Shield

Norman Wodhams of 44 McIntyre Cres., Georgetown, has qualified for the Silver Expert Shield, one of the most difficult tests in hand gun shooting.

Dominion Marksmen officials announced today the 36-year-old printer had achieved a score of 5,398 points out of 6000 to qualify.

For the Silver Expert Shield (Handgun) the shooter must fire 20 sets of three targets, each set consisting of one slow, one timed and one rapid fire target.

Wodhams, a member of Georgetown Revolver Club, has been shooting for five years. Before winning the silver shield he had to work his way through a series of Dominion Marksmen awards beginning with the bronze pin which required 10 targets scoring 60 or better out of 100 in slow fire.

Pistols and revolvers of any calibre may be used in the Dominion Marksmen handgun competition.

Only 3rd Defeat In 35 Costly For Town Bants

Georgetown's Bantam Pontiacs suffered only their third defeat in 35 games this season, Sunday afternoon, but it was a loss number three that spelled elimination from the Ontario Minor Hockey Association playdowns.

Wallaceburg Bantams advanced to the A Minor final by beating the locals 5-2 which gave them the two-game total goal round-7 goals to 6.

Georgetown copped the opening game in Wallaceburg the previous weekend 4-2.

The Pontiacs started well Sunday. They scored twice in the first period, Nash from Kozack, and Fowler from Hay the marksmen, but Wallaceburg also counted a pair in this frame to stay within striking distance.

The visitors counted two more in the middle period and sunk the Pontiacs with a goal at 18:26 of the third that was partially stopped by the Georgetown netminder, but carried on over the line.

Godley Named Director Community Swimming Pool

An Agincourt man, Robert Godley, has been hired by the Community Centres Board as director of Georgetown's Community Swimming Pool.

His application was accepted at a special board meeting Thursday night.

Mr. Godley will bring a wealth of swimming & physical education experience to his new position. He received his Bachelor of Physical Education and Health in 1961. He has studied stroke mechanics and teaching methods for all levels from beginners to competitors' 1964 and is a member of the Central Peel Secondary teaching staff.

His instructing experience includes seasons at the Lions pool in Port Credit, Alderwood pool in Elobicoke, Boulevard Club pool in Toronto, and as director of physical education of the Tam O'Shanter summer hockey school during the summer of 1965 he was responsible for establishing and directing the swimming, water safety and recreation program.

Mr. Godley received his Bachelor of Education degree in 1964 and is a member of the Central Peel Secondary teaching staff.

North Halton Hosts 7 Year Filly Spiel

Ladies from Orangeville, Brampton, Erin, Humber Highland, Boulevard, Acton, Parkway, Guelph, Downsview, Heather, Welland, Avonlea and Brantford competed in a Seven Year Filly Bonspiel at the North Halton Curling Club on Wednesday, March 16th. The competition was based on two 10-end games.

Kathy Charleton's rink from Humber Highland won first place in the 9 o'clock draw with 22 points. An Orangeville rink skipped by Dorothy Hodgson came second with 22 points, and a Georgetown team, headed by Jean Chappel with Carol Ann Fenning, Mary Rand and Inez Crichton were one game winners with 16 points.

North Halton's entry skipped by Irene Farnell, with Shirley Crichton, Joan Costigan and Helen Archer placed first in the 11:30 draw with 22 points and game score of 24.

Close on their heels was a Downsview team skipped by Lee Morrison. The two teams tied in points, but the Downsview team scored only 19 points in games score. Estelle S. Wade, 9 Mahood's rink from the Heather Club, Toronto, were one game winners in this draw.

First prizes were fabric trays and second coming ware, skillets and third, wicker shopping baskets. After the presentation of prizes, the eight pots of shambrocks which had been used to carry out a St. Patrick's Day motif for the day, were drawn for and won by the out-of-town guests. A buffet dinner in the dining room climaxed the day.

Safety hint: There is no doubt that it is more dangerous to drive on Saturday and Sunday. Insurance statistics in 1964 disclosed that almost half of all traffic disasters happened on weekends.

MONDAY DRAW	
D. Wingerov	25
G. Farnell	25
K. Jackson	15
S. Wade	15
R. Caruso	12 1/2
E. Thompson	10
P. Porter	10
W. Nagorsen	10
N. Nelson	10
J. Cornelius	7 1/2
M. Freeman	5
J. Costigan	5

INDUSTRIAL	
Rolling Stones	35
Provincial	25
Varian No. 2	25
Elmers	20
Varian No. 1	15
Play	10

Playoff Sunday, April 3. Two 10 end games at 12 noon and 5 p.m. Points to count. Draw representative to be present to present trophy.

TOWN SKATERS IN ERIN ICE REVUE

The Erin Figure Skating Club's ice show Saturday night had a strong Georgetown flavor.

The club's skating pro is a Georgetown girl, Gale Livingstone, and featured skaters were Janie MacMillan of the Georgetown club and stuntman George Storey also from here.

Miss MacMillan was at her best in a solo performance, and Storey held the standing room only Saturday. It is a mixed affair crowd spellbound with his last skillful antics.

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CURLING HATTER
by Bob MacArthur from the

North Halton GOLF and COUNTRY CLUB

Everybody's a Winner in Farmers' Curling Bonanza

Last Saturday saw the farm curling bonspiel being held at the club. It was a 16 rink affair, and by all reports a fine day of curling.

Winners in the early draw were the whole eight team. Top winners were the team skipped by M. Sinclair of Erin. Other winners were: J. Crichton, Georgetown; Ed Robertson, Milton; W. Delaney, Erin; D. Robinson, North Halton; Alf Condon, Dixie; E. Curry, North Halton and F. Somerville, Acton.

Late draw winners were F. Overland, Erin; D. Barrager, North Halton; E. Arnott, Guelph; Ed Little, Orangeville; S. Leitch, Erin; C. Barber, Erin B. Robinson, North Halton and D. Graham, Erin.

Those donating prizes for this spiel were: Crawford's Meats, Bank of Commerce, Royal Bank, Master Foods, Murt Allison, Masson Motors, Maveal Motors, Murray Motors, D. Robinson, Norwood Motors, Fred Barnes, Doug McLean, Halton Co-op, Don Barrager, Bill Schenk, Jim Evans, Fred Green, Irwin Noble, Meadow Glen Growers. Others made contributions to the bonspiel also.

Those in charge of the spiel were: Dick Lewis, Bob Curry and Bill Robinson.

The MacCormack trophy will be the main attraction for the curlers of the local club, this Saturday. It is a mixed affair crowd spellbound with his last skillful antics.