

Notes and Quotes

from the world of sport

By Denis Gibbons



Lucan-Ilderton Jets' first and only regular season visit to Acton should attract the year's largest crowd to the community centre, this Friday night. The defending O.H.A. Intermediate "B" champs, commonly known in some not so ill-informed hockey circles, as "the Western Ontario all-stars" are undefeated in seven league games. Elmira Polar Kings managed to hold the star-studded Jets to a 1-1 tie, but outside of that the defending champs have had it all their own way, scoring a total of 57 goals and allowing only 10, in their six wins.

"B" classification question mark

Very few Jets have not had previous senior "A", junior "A" or junior "B" experience and few are natives of the Lucan area, raising the question of why the O.H.A. allows the team a "B" classification. A report in a recent edition of the St. Mary's Journal-Argus shows two different Jet players commute from Brantford, Seaford for games. Two players are listed as St. Mary's residents and another as a resident of London. Residences of the remaining players include Hyde Park, Ilderton, Centralia, and R. R. 1 St. Mary's. With such a large area from which to draw players, it's little wonder Jets have been a perennial powerhouse.

Others must use homebrews

The league's other five teams, Acton, Elmira, Durham, Fergus and Cheltenham meanwhile, must go with homebrews, except for four imports each is allowed. Further aggravating the situation is the relative isolation of Jets' home base, Centralia, from the loop's other five arenas.

At a pre-season league meeting in Durham, officials from Durham and Elmira supported the inclusion of Lucan in the six team Central Ontario group, and agreed to play a double home and home regular season series with them. For the past two seasons Jets have helped fill the Durham and Elmira coffers by attracting large crowds for their games in the two towns. Acton-Tanner officials, on the other hand walked out of the meeting rather than agree to make the 100 mile jaunt to Centralia twice during the schedule. Fergus and Cheltenham helped back the Tanner cause, resulting in a compromise. Acton and Lucan reps agreed to play a home and home series with the winner of each game claiming four points instead of the customary two.

Compromise victory for Acton

The compromise has to be considered a victory for local eyes. Chances of Tanners beating the speedy Jets two, three or four times in a season are remote, as even coach Jim James admits. However, with an all-out team effort Tanners could surprise the Jets and skate off with four points for one night's work, Friday. Last year's edition of the Tanners turned the trick 8-7 in a home playoff encounter, even though Jets were easy winners in the other seven games between the two clubs.

Jets play exciting hockey

Although it's difficult to understand the O.H.A.'s classification of Lucan and their acceptance into the Central Ontario group, there's no denying the classy defending champs play an exciting brand of hockey, complete with slick passing plays and spectacular end to end rushes.

Tanners, with only three wins in nine league starts are going to have to put forth a super effort if they hope to gain four points Friday night. Inconsistency has marred their play so far but since the addition of new talent they're capable of upsetting Jets.

Coach Jim James and Tanners' band of faithful followers hope they can reach their peak Friday night.

Norton tops tallies

Rookie winger Dave Norton heads the Acton Tanners' individual scoring list, at the halfway point of the team's 18 game Central O.H.A. Intermediate "B" schedule.

Norton has tallied four goals and seven assists for 11 points in Tanners' first nine games. He shares the club lead in assists with second year man Ed Hillier. Kevin Hall and Jan Riddall with six goals apiece share the team lead in that department.

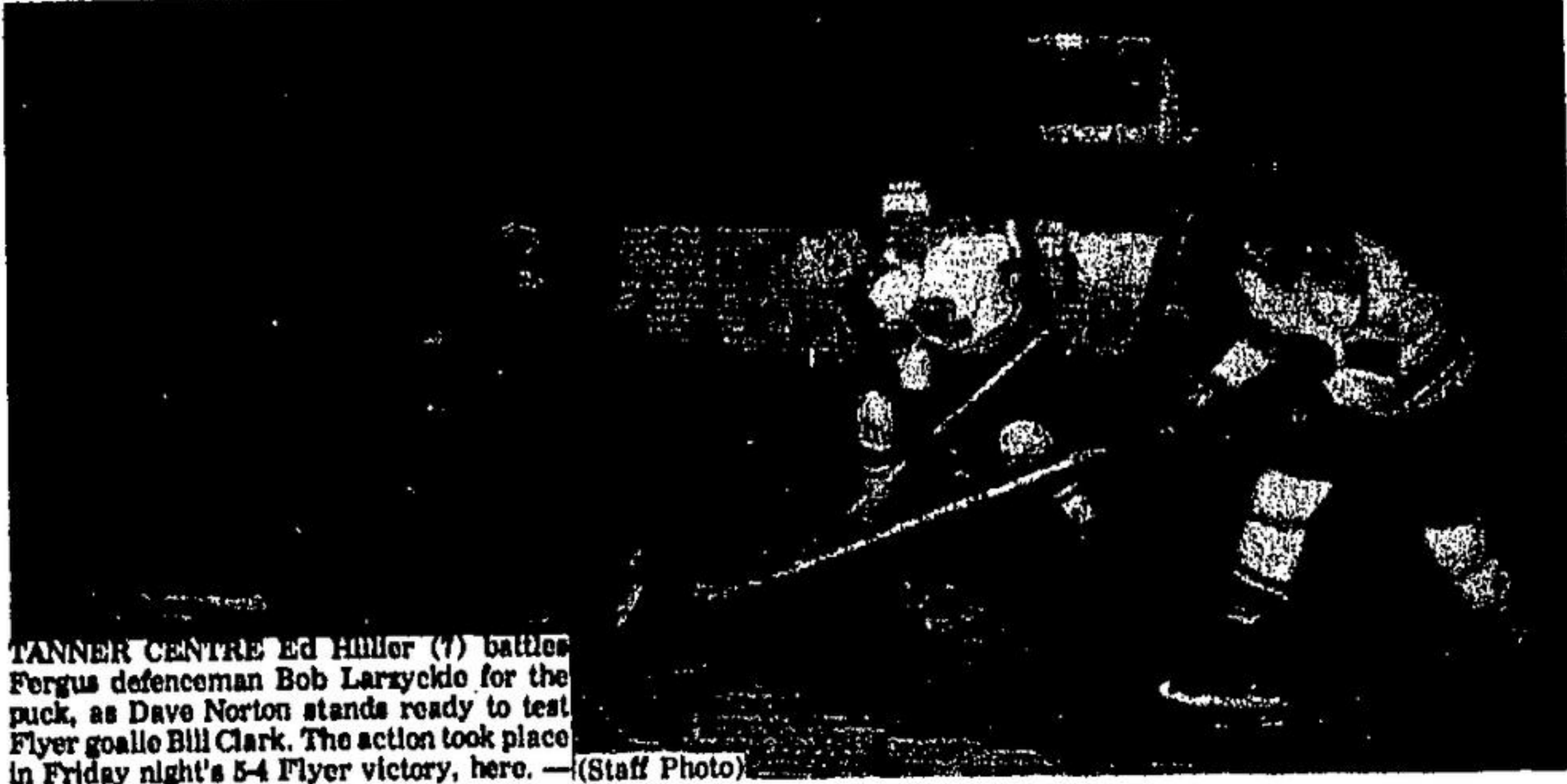
A complete list of team scoring follows:

Player	G	A	P
Dave Norton	4	7	11
Ed Hillier	4	1	5
Kevin Hall	3	3	6
Gary Naylor	2	6	8
Jan Riddall	2	4	6
Bruce McDuffie	2	2	4
Fred Buchanan	2	2	4
Larry Gregson	2	1	3
Dan Arbie	2	1	3
Jack Frost	2	0	2
Harold Townsley	2	0	2
John Mason	1	2	3
Brian McDuffie	1	1	2
Gordie Bell	1	1	2
Phil Marzo	1	1	2
Dave Rieder	1	0	1
Bill Barbour	1	0	1
Steve Goy	1	0	1
Rich Maloney	0	1	1

Industrial stats

Team	W	L	P	GF	GA
Nielsen's	6	1	12	73	23
Lakeview	6	1	12	66	43
Heller's	1	6	2	28	43
How Press	1	6	2	21	70

Player	G	A	P
R. Mellon N	19	10	29
J. McDonald N	18	8	27
J. Cunningham L	13	11	24
H. Hillier L	16	6	22
H. Phillips L	11	11	22



TANNER CENTRE Ed Hillier (7) battles Fergus defenceman Bob Larzyckio for the puck, as Dave Norton stands ready to test Flyer goalie Bill Clark. The action took place in Friday night's 5-4 Flyer victory, here. —(Staff Photo)

Flyers upset Tanners

Walcott delivers punch

A vastly improved Fergus-Flyer club scored four third period goals to overcome a 2-1 deficit and hand Acton Tanners a 5-4 defeat, here Friday night. Flyers' second win of the season over the locals left the two teams tied for fourth place in the Central Ontario Intermediate "B" league with six points apiece.

Flyers dressed only 11 players, but played a hustling, aggressive style of hockey right from the opening whistle. Goalie Bill Clark kept Tanners forwards frustrated as he kicked out 49 shots.

Tanner defence loose

Loose defensive play and an inept power play contributed greatly to Tanners' disappointing showing. Frank Anthony in the Tanner cage fanned on the third Fergus goal, but could not be faulted on any of the others. Twice he stopped Fergus drives only to have Flyer sharpshooters bang in rebounds the Tanner defence failed to clear.

Joe McCrea cashed in Tom Walcott's pass to put Fergus in front 1-0 at 5:53 of the first period, but Tanners tied it up four minutes later. Ed Hillier dug the

puck out of the corner to Dave Norton, who tucked it behind Clark.

Arbie deflects shot

Dan Arbie deflected Hillier's low shot behind Clark to give Acton a 2-1 lead early in the second period. The clubs battled on even terms for the rest of the period except for a scuffle towards the end of the frame in which Flyers' rugged rearguard John Readyhough deflected Tanners' diminutive centre Rick Maloney, who had been one of Tanners' top performers up until then, left with a badly damaged nose and did not return.

Tanners nullified two early third period Fergus markers by McCrea and Ron Tippin, popping in two goals in 25 seconds to take a 4-3 lead. Arbie, Bruce McDuffie and Larry Gregson combined on both goals. Arbie and McDuffie were the marksmen.

Walcott knotted the count at

15:53 and fired the winner at 17:13, while Phil Marzo was serving a tripping penalty. Oase Harper set up both goals.

Pull goalie

Coach Jim James pulled Anthony in favor of a sixth attacker with a minute left in the game, but Flyers forechecked tenaciously to preserve their well-earned win.

Referee Jim King handed out six minors and a major to Acton and five minors and a major to Fergus. He also overlooked a lot of illegal tactics in the corners. NOTES: Readyhough and John Van Egten handed out some stunning checks behind the Flyer blueline.

Tanners were without the services of Gary Naylor, Jack Poot and Harold Townsley.

First place Lucan-Ilderton Jets came to town for a four point game Friday night at 8:30.

Period	Team	Score
FIRST PERIOD	Fergus	1-0
FIRST PERIOD	Acton	1-1
SECOND PERIOD	Fergus	2-1
SECOND PERIOD	Acton	2-2
THIRD PERIOD	Fergus	3-2
THIRD PERIOD	Acton	4-3
THIRD PERIOD	Fergus	5-4

400 winners

Lucky winners in last week's 400 club draw were: Audrey Urquhart, Ken Hurren, Mel Jordan, Joan Swim and Harry Waterhouse.



Industrial league

Nielsen's, Lakeview set stage for first place battle Sunday

Nielsen's Clothing and Lakeview Discount will clash Sunday night to decide first place in the Acton industrial hockey league. The two teams continued their winning ways, last Sunday night. Nielsen's whipped Heller's 11-5 and Lakeview outscored Blow Press 11-6.

Nielsen's jumped into a 4-2 first period lead and stretched it to 8-3 at the end of the second.

McDonald leads way

Jim McDonald scored four goals and assisted on two others to lead Nielsen's to victory. Ron Mellon bagged a hat trick and Grant McCallum, Ron McClintock, Steve Townsley and Ray Stull netted one goal apiece. In the assist column McCallum earned three, Ken McIsaac two and McClintock, Townsley, Mellon, Stull and Bill Coon one each.

Ron Heller fired a hat trick and

Gary Ritchie scored twice for Heller's. Gary Masales collected two assists and Jeff Goy, Andre Brouillard and Chick Milne each picked up one.

Frank Anthony tended goal for Nielsen's. John Leatherland guarded Heller's cage.

Lakeview battled from a 4-3 first period deficit with three unanswered second period

markers, then coasted to victory.

A four goal two assist performance by John Cunningham sparked the Lakeview comeback. Harv Hillier with three goals and Dave Ryder and Denis Gibbons with two apiece were the other Lakeview marksmen. Jim Barden set up three goals, while Gus Holmes and Harry Phillips

helped out on two each and Gibbons and Cliff Nelson were in on one apiece.

Steve Goy and Larry McAfee potted two goals apiece for the losers. George Cook and Gord Mason each scored once. Russ Masales earned three assists, Ron Schmidt two and Goy, Cook, Dave Papillon and Stu McDonald one each.

Peewees knock off Georgetown 4-3

After dropping a 7-4 decision to Brampton minor peewees Thursday night, Acton Y's McI bounced back to knock off Georgetown minor peewees 4-3, here Saturday afternoon. The win was the second of the season for the locals. Ricky Holmes sparked the Acton win, scoring a pair of goals.

Holmes, John McCutcheon, Joe Kentner and Len Brown were the Acton marksmen in Thursday night's game. Mark Morrison was brilliant in the Acton nets.

B. J. Legate, Ford Alton, Ricky Holmes, Joe Kentner and Jim Hurley were all in top form for Acton.

Coach Don Legate, assistant coach Ron Schmidt and manager Charley Harrison are pleased with the progress their lads have been showing in recent games.

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Team	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Lucan+	4	0	1	11	41	8
Durham	4	1	2	8	22	23
Elmira	3	1	2	6	22	23
Fergus	3	3	3	6	22	26
Acton+	2	6	0	2	18	47
Cheltenham	1	6	0	2	18	47

+Lucan and Acton played four point game

TOP SCORERS

Player	G	A	P
Graham (Durham)	6	14	20
Harper (Fergus)	5	12	15
Nielsen (Durham)	5	2	12
Hansen (Elmira)	6	6	12
Milton (Cheltenham)	6	6	12

Bants test Brampton

Acton Firefighter bantams made one of their best showings of the season, although they went down to a 3-1 defeat at the hands of a much bigger Brampton team, here Saturday afternoon.

Russ Van Fleet scored twice and John McAdam once as Hespeler downed the locals 8-3 in Hespeler, Friday night.

Forward Gerald Barden replaced Mike Luty in goal for the third period, after Luty suffered an injury.

Bantams host Preston Saturday afternoon at 3:30.

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DAN ARBIE
Besides three years of intermediate play, Dan has had brief stints with Georgetown junior "C" Raiders and University of Waterloo Warriors. Dan is single and lives in town with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Arbie. He is studying law enforcement at Seneca College.



FRED BUCHANAN
A native of Compton P.Q., the burly winger has junior "B" senior "B" and intermediate experience with several clubs. Fred lives with his wife Sheila and sons Brad and Steve at R. R. 2 Rockwood. He is an engineering manager with Northern Electric, Bramalea.

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