

## It's do or die day for Tanners Friday!

Durham Huskies will have to wait until Friday night to see who they'll meet in the Central O.H.A. Intermediate "B" league semi-finals.

Fergus Flyers made sure of that when they knocked off Acton Tanners 6-5 in Fergus last night (Tuesday) and created a tie for the fourth and final playoff berth. Tanners host the Flyers in the final game of the regular schedule at the community centre Friday night at 8.30.

### Blow chance

Tanners blew a chance to wrap up a playoff berth, as Flyers grabbed a 2-1 first period lead, and increased it to 6-2 at the end of the second stanza. Flyers have now won all three games with Acton this year.

Joe McCrea fired a hat trick to pace the Flyer attack. Randy Graham, Fred Kauk and Larry Weber potted a goal apiece.

### Pair for Harold

For Acton, Harold Townsley lit the lamp twice, while Dan Arbie, Fred Buchanan and Gordie Bell tallied singles. Bell and Bob Andrews earned a pair of assists each. Townsley, Gary Naylor, Kevin Hall, Lloyd Smallwood and Jan Riddall collected one bracket apiece.

Tanners must win Friday night's game to make the playoffs. If the game ends in a tie, Fergus will advance to the playoffs because they will have a better goals for and against record in games against Acton.



ELMIRA POLAR KING goalie Jim Weber tries to do a little checking of his own to take Tanner defenceman Harold Townsley (6) out of the play during Friday night's 6-5 Tanner

victory. Gary Naylor (left) tries in vain to reach the loose puck.—(Staff Photo)

# Polar Kings freeze up Tanners earn 6-5 win

Acton Tanners battled back from a 4-1 second period deficit to upset Elmira Polar Kings 6-5 here Friday night in the most exciting intermediate "B" game of the year.

Dan Arbie, Gary Naylor and Bruce Thomson were the sparkplugs of the Tanner comeback.

"Dapper" Dan scored three consecutive goals to tie the game at 4-4, while Naylor bagged the winner on a pass from Harold Townsley with only a minute and 40 seconds left in regulation time and earned three assists. Thomson's brilliant netminding kept Tanners in the game for the first period and a half until they found the range of the Elmira net.

### Playmakers

First period goals by Rick Bacon and Don Buddo provided Polar Kings with a 2-0 advantage heading into the second frame. Fred Buchanan narrowed the count to 2-1 when he converted

passes from Larry Gregson and Kevin Hall at 2:20, but Eric Plein and Don Duke upped the Elmira lead to 4-1 with a pair of goals in the space of three minutes. Just when it looked like Tanners were in for a real shellacking, Dan Arbie potted the first of his three goals at 17:11 to

cut the Elmira lead to two goals at the end of the second period.

### Johnny-on-spot

"Dapper" Dan was Johnny-on-the-spot to dent the twine twice more early in the third period, knotting the count 4-4 and bringing Tanner fans to their feet.

The quick goals apparently unnerved Polar King goalie Jim Weber who let Gordie Bell's low shot from outside the blue line slip by him for Acton's fifth goal, three minutes later.

A full scale donnybrook nearly erupted shortly after the 15 minute mark, when Jan Riddall and Bill Wright squared off. Both received high-sticking minors and fighting majors. Third period play had been chippy up until then, as referee Jim King let both teams away with a lot of hacking. While the pair were off, Brian Cressman tied the score,

finishing off a pretty three way passing play with Erin Plein and Tim Burkhart.

Naylor then iced the Tanner win when he banged in Harold Townsley's pass at 18:20. Townsley carried the puck into the Elmira end, let a shot go, picked up his own rebound and slid it out to Naylor.

Polar Kings pulled Weber in favor of a sixth attacker, but failed to score although they had the puck buzzing around the Tanner net for almost a minute.

### Final Period

E. Bacon (Miller) (Clemens) 4:40  
E. Buddo (Clemens) (Seftel) 12:01

### Second Period

A. Buchanan (Gregson) (Hall) 2:20  
E. Plein (Seftel) (Burkhart) 4:15  
E. Duke (Buddo) (Reed) 7:05

### Third Period

A. Arbie (Norton) (Naylor) 2:29  
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A. Bell 8:20  
E. Cressman (Plein) (Burkhart) 16:43  
A. Naylor (Townsley) 18:20

## Firefighter bants go down fighting

Although they went down fighting, Acton Firefighter bantams lost 2-1 to New Hamburg and were eliminated from the O.M.H.A. playoffs last Wednesday night. New Hamburg won the first game of the series 5-0.

The game was scoreless until the 8:25 mark of the second period, when Dave Facey put New Hamburg in front 1-0. A minute and 24 seconds later Martin Schwende's shot changed direction when it hit a skate and slid between Acton goalie David Allen's legs.

Hustle pays off  
Hustle and drive paid off for Acton in the third period. John Hansen took John McAdam's

pass and blasted a slap shot past New Hamburg goalie Rick Pearson with less than four minutes remaining in the game. The locals pressed hard in the dying minutes and very nearly got the equalizer, which would have forced the game into overtime.

Allan made several fine saves for Acton in the first and third periods. Acton served seven of the 12 minor penalties in the game.

Firefighters now return to group play with Preston, Hespeler and Streetsville. They'll also play in the Georgetown tournament in March.

The team loses only three players to overage this year.

### They came to play

# Midgets trounce New Hamburg sweep series two straight

Acton C.F.A.W. midgets trounced New Hamburg 8-1, in New Hamburg last Wednesday night to eliminate the burgers from the O.M.H.A. playoffs. Midgets won the first game of the series 6-2 and swept the best of three set in straight games.

Determined to wrap up the series, midgets wasted no time getting on the scoresheet, Wednesday night. Bren Irwin started the ball rolling with a goal at the 50 second mark with Gary Turkosz and Harry Lawson assisting. Captain Pete Morrison broke out of his scoring slump

with a pair of goals within 50 seconds to stretch the Acton lead to 3-0 at the end of the first period.

### Uplaid

Second period goals by Ken Hurren, Roland McCulloch and George McPhail made the score 6-0, before New Hamburg broke Dan McGilloway's shutout on a goal by Bruce Gingrich at 10:55.

Dale Fisher converted passes from brother Gary and Ken Hurren for Acton's seventh goal a minute and 10 seconds later. New Hamburg played an improved brand of hockey in the final 20 minutes, but McGilloway

barred the door every time they had a good scoring opportunity. George McPhail blasted home a shot from the point for his second goal of the night with only five seconds left in the game. Steve McIntyre assisted.

### Playmakers

Bren Irwin and Gary Turkosz were Acton's top playmakers. Irwin earned three assists and Turkosz collected a pair. Coach Jim James and manager Bill Knight felt their boys played

as well as they have all year. "They really came to play tonight, that was a real team effort," coach James said after the game. Manager Knight promised to foot the bill for a post-season feast, if the team can sideline four more teams and cop the provincial title!

Including league, exhibition and playoff games, midgets have now won five of their last six games.

## Midgets top Niagara

Gary Turkosz scored three goals and assisted on the two others to lead Acton C.F.A.W. midgets to a 5-3 win over Niagara-on-the-Lake in the first game of a best of three O.M.H.A. "B" second round playoff series, here last night (Tuesday).

Second game of the series will be played in Virgil, tomorrow (Thursday) night at 9. If necessary, the third game will also be played in Virgil, Thursday, February 25.

Winner of the series advances to the provincial quarter-finals, against one of six clubs: St. Mary's, Exeter, Caledonia, Port Dover, Delhi or Aylmer.

Acton built up a 5-0 lead before the visitors retaliated with three unanswered goals late in the third period last night. Pete Morrison and Bren Irwin scored the other Acton goals. George McPhail earned two assists and Morrison picked up one.

John Wiens, Rick Nickoniuk and Walt Istchenko did the Niagara scoring.



GARY TURKOSZ  
Hat trick hero

The team will be taking a bus to Virgil for tomorrow night's game.

## Renforth, Centennial tied

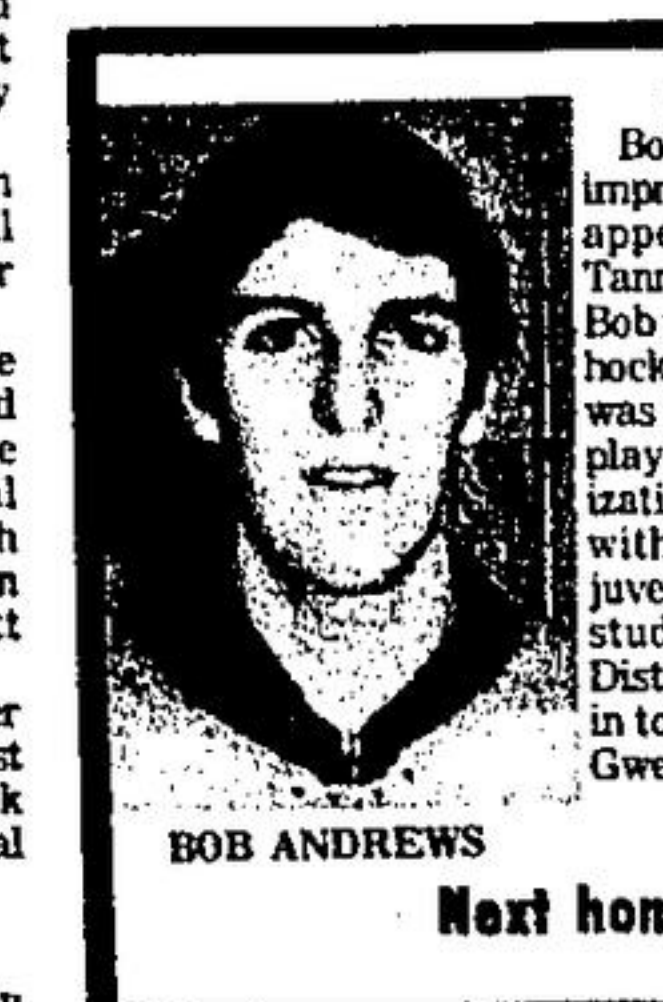
Renforth Smoke upset O'Farrell Roofing 2-1 and Centennial downed Sight and Sound 6-3 in Wellesworth midget hockey at the Acton community centre Saturday.

Bob Banas had a goal and an assist and Dave Zaluski one goal for the winners. Jim Fielder replied for O'Farrell.

Brian Johnston fired three goals, Randy Young two and Wayne Proctor one in the Centennial win. Centennial assists went to Gary Bauer with two and Wayne Proctor, Brian Johnston, Randy Young and Scott Ingleby with one apiece.

Dave Chancey and Jeff Peer counted a goal and an assist apiece for Sight and Sound. Mark Jamison scored the other goal with Paul Courneya assisting.

Centennial	6	7	2	14
Renforth	8	7	2	14
Sight and Sound	5	9	1	11



BOB ANDREWS

### MEET THE TANNERS

Bob Andrews looked impressive in his first appearance with the Tanners Friday night. Bob played all his minor hockey in Acton, and was named outstanding player in his final year with Acton Lions juveniles. A grade 12 student at Acton District High, Bob lives in town with his mother Gwen.



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## Novices reach zone semi-final

Acton A-B novices staved off a third period New Hamburg rally to record a 4-3 win in New Hamburg Saturday and wrap up their best of three zone novice "B" playoff in two straight games.

A-B's now advance to the zone semi-finals against the Southern Counties representative, Caledonia, Delhi, Port Dover or Aylmer.

Bruce McPhail fired a pair of goals and Jeff Shields and Scott Malcolm netted one apiece for Acton. Malcolm also earned two assists, while Shields and McPhail picked up one apiece.

Steve Murray, Greg Shantz and Tim Pearson handled the New Hamburg scoring.

### Score early

Shields put the locals in front with a goal at the 34 second mark of the opening period. Malcolm and McPhail tallied second period markers, before Murray scored for New Hamburg at 13 minute mark to break Gary Medland's shutout.

Acton appeared to have the game wrapped up, when Shantz narrowed the count to 3-2 with his goal with less than three minutes left in the game.

### Pull goalie

New Hamburg pulled their goalie in the last minute, but the move backfired. Bruce McPhail stole the puck and broke away to score his second goal into the empty net. Pearson scored the final New Hamburg goal on a long shot with just 18 seconds remaining.

Gary Medland played a heads-up game in goal for Acton with the exception of the final goal

Coach Barry Inscos was naturally elated at wrapping up the series in straight games. He felt his boys were not quite as sharp as they were in their 5-2 opening game victory, however. A win against the Southern Counties champ would put novices in the zone finals.

Acton: Gary Medland, Russell Lee, Randy McIntyre, Larry Brown, Jeff Shields, Scott Malcolm, Bruce McPhail, Shane Withers, Bert Post, Wade Vickery, Dave McGilloway, Tom Rosenberky, Randy Van Fleet, Billy Manes, Riley Gibson, Tom Ryan.

## Guelph peewees win exhibition with Y's Men

Guelph minor peewees shut out Acton Y's Men 2-0 in an exhibition game, here Thursday night.

After a scoreless first period, Brad Graham scored for Guelph at 2:16 of the second stanza. Bob Moffitt netted the other Guelph goal at the 13 minute mark of the final frame.

## 4-town midgets top Hillsburgh

Gary McEachern's Legion 4-town midgets blanked Hillsburgh 1-0 in an exhibition game last Monday night. Rene Schuts scored the Acton goal at 10:30 of the first period with Garth Taylor assisting.

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