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 aplece.

Pair for Harold

For Acton, Harold Townsley lit the lamp twice, while Dan Arbic, 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 aplece.

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.

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 alld between Acton goalle David Allan'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

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

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.



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 Thomason 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. Thomason's brilliant netminding kept Tanners in the game for the first period and a half until

they found the range of the Elmira net.

Grab lead 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 lend 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 Arbic 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

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

A full scale donnybrook nearly crupted 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

While the pair were off, Brian Cressman tied the score, A Naylor (Townsley) 18.20

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.

First Period
Bucon (Miller) (Clemens) 4.40
Buddo (Clemens) (Seftel) 12.01

Second Period Buchanan (Gregson) (Hall) 2.20 Plein (Seftel) (Burkhart) 4.15 Duke (Buddo) (Read) 7.05 Arhic (Naylor) (Townsley) 17.11 Third Period

Arbic (Norton) (Naylor) 2.29 Arbic (Naylor) (Marzo) 5.25 . Cresaman (Plein) (Burkhart)

Prepare for Legion peewee tournament

Acton Legion minor hockey officials are busy completing arrangements for their second annual pee wee house league tournament, scheduled for the community centre Saturday and Sunday, February 27 and 28.

Number of entries has increased from 13 last year to 16 this year and officials hope to have 20 entries next year. Teams have also been divided into an "A" and "B" series with town population deciding the category for each team.

16 teams

"A" series entries include defending champion Kitchener, Centreville, Preston, Streetsville, Aurora, Georgetown, Dundas, Orangeville and Hespeler.

Grouped in the "B" series along with the host Acton team are last year's runners-up Elmira, Hillsburgh, Erin, Beeton, New Hamburg, Listowel and Milton OSD.

A special feature of the tournament opening ceremonies Saturday at noon hour will be a Legion colour parade.

Hillsburgh dumps peewees

Hillsburgh pee wees dumped Fred Buchanan's Legion 4-town lads 7-1 in an exhibition game Saturday.

assisting, late in the third period. John Ellis netted four of the seven Hillsburgh goals. Kennedy, McIntyre and Presley scored the

Fred Allen tallied the only

Acton goal with Scott Withers

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Bob Andrews looked impressive in his first appearance with the Acton for years, Roy

was named outstanding Roy is also president of player in the organization in his final year merce for 1971. Roy and



ROY GOODWIN

Next home game Friday February 19 (vs) Fergus

A driving force behind intermediate hockey in

Milton

They came to play Midgets trounce New Hamburg sweep series two straight

Acton C.F.A.W. mldgets 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 scries, 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

Even series

Home ice has proved no ad-

vantage to either team so far in

the Acton Lions-New Hamburg

O.M.H.A. juvenile "B" playoff

New Hamburg won the first

game 3-1 in Acton Thursday

night, but Lions battled back to

square the best of five set at a

game spiece with a 2-0 win in

Peewees

bow out

New Hamburg pee wees edged

Acton Y's Men 2-1 in the third and

deciding game of their O.M.H.A.

pee wee "B" playoff series, here

Acton won the first game of the

series 2-1 in overtime, but New

Hamburg bounced back to force a

third game, winning 6-3 in New

Hamburg last Wednesday night.

Score too late

in Wednesday night's game in the

last two minutes of the game

after they were behind 40. Ford

Alton, Ricky Holmes and Gord

Toth were the marksmen.

Holmes, Jim Hurley and B. J.

For New Hamburg, Rick

Whittaker and Rick Cressman

scored two goals apiece. Randy

Wagler and Dale Hillar tallied

"Nabber" scores

Marvin McNabb netted the lone

Legate earned assists.

the others.

Pee wees scored all their goals

Saturday afternoon.

with a pair of goals within 50

New Hamburg played an improved brand of hockey in the

minute and 10 seconds later.

final 20 minutes, but McGilloway

Lions roar loud

in burg den

Second period goals by Ken George McPhall made the score Dan McGilloway's shutout on a goal by Bruce Gingerich at 10.55.

seconds to stretch the Acton lead to 3-0 at the end of the first period.

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.

Hurren, Roland McCulloch and 6-0, before New Hamburg broke Dale Fisher converted passes from brother Gary and Ken Hurren for Acton's seventh goal a

Turkosz collected a pair. Coach Jim James and manager Bill Knight felt their boys played

Playmakers Bren Irwin and Gary Turkosz were Acton's top playmakers. Irwin earned three assists and

the provincial title!

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

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

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 Ningara-on-the-Lake in the first game of a best of three O.M.H.A. midget "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 retallated with three unanswered goals late in the third period last night. Pete

McPhall earned two assists and Morrison picked up one.

Morrison and Bren Irwin scored

the other Acton goals. George

John Wiens, Rick Nickoniuk and Walt Istchenko did the



GARY TURKOSZ Hat trick hero

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

Ningara scoring.

Renforth, Centennial tied Renforth Smoke upset O'Farrell Roofing 2-1 and Centennial downed Sight and

Randy Weldon and Gord Murray both played well for Acton in spite of the loss. "Buff" returns

goal at the six minute mark on an

Craig Weldon was outstanding in the Acton nets in both games. New Hamburg netminder Jim Bearinger also made some key saves.

Sound 6-3 in Wellesworth midget

Tanners Friday night. Goodwin is a past pres-Bob played all his minor ident of Acton Minor

6 7 2 14 5 9 1 11

hockey in Acton, and Hockey Association.
was named outstanding Roy is also president of player in the organ- Acton Chamber of Comin town with his mother

with Acton Lions his wife Rita live in juveniles. A grade 12 town. He is a business student at Acton partner in Lakeview District High, Bob lives Discount Centre.

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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.

Counties champ would put

novices in the zone finals.

A win against the Southern

Acton: Gary Medland, Russell

Lee, Randy McIntyre, Larry Brown, Jeff Shields, Scott

Malcolm, Bruce McPhail, Shane

Withers, Bert Post, Wade

Vickery, Dave McGilloway, Tom

Rosenbersky, Randy Van Fleet,

Billy Manes, Ricy Gibson, Tom

Guelph peewees

Guelph minor peewees shut out

Acton Y's Men 2-0 in an exhibition

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

4-town midgets

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

top Hillsburgh

game, here Thursday night.

final frame.

win exhibition

with Y's Men

Acton A-B novices staved off a

playoff in two straight

A-B's now advance to the zone

Steve Murray, Greg Shantz and

Score early

Shields put the locals in front

period 1 :nrkers, before Murray

scored for New Hamburg at 13

minute mark to break Gary

Acton appeared to have the

game wrapped up, when Shantz

narrowed the count to 3-2 with his

goal with less than three minutes

Pull goalic New Hamburg pulled their

goalle in the last minute, but the

move backfired. Bruce McPhall

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 16 seconds

Gary Mediand played a heads-up game in goal for Acton with

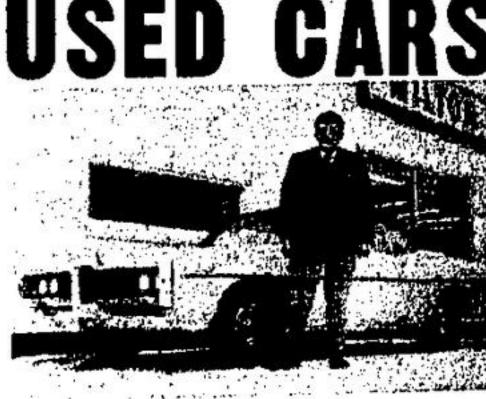
the exception of the final goal

Medland's shutout.

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continue with the second half of their Tri-County schedule against Georgetown, Preston and Streetsville.

heartbreaking loss. Y's Men now

ternoon. The series resumes in Acton tomorrow, (Thursday) night at 8. Fourth game is slated for New Hamburg Wednesday, February 24. Foolish penalties hurt the Lion cause Thursday night. Lions served 10 of the 17 penalties

handed out by referees Wayne

Timbers and Steve Gervais and

New Hamburg, Saturday af-

played shorthanded for a good part of the game. Weldon scores A pair of first period goals by Don Pfaff stood up until early in the third period, when Randy Weldon dented the twine on a shot

Richard Baechler of New Hamburg received a butt-ending major at 3.50, but Lions failed to score while he was off. Gary Yaumm netted the third New Hamburg goal at 15.28.

from the point.

Saturday afternoon in New Hamburg, Bill Field returned to Lion lineup, after serving a one game suspension, "Buff" made his presence lelt in the first period, scoring an unassisted

exciting end to end rush. New Hamburg applied the pressure in the third period, before Charlie Gidden iced the Acton victory, scoring on a neat three way passing play with Randy Weldon and Bill Field at Acton goal in Saturday's

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.

O'Farrell

Standings W L T P