

Boxla bantams capture title

Acton bantams downed Oakville 4-2 at Kinoak Arena Saturday to capture the championship of the Oakville minor lacrosse house league. Acton won the first game of the series 9-5 and swept the total goals series 13-7.

manager Gus Holmes guided the team in their first season of operation. The team lost a pair of exhibition games to Fergus all-stars, but won every game in the house league and also upset Orangeville all-stars.

Appreciate support

Both coach and manager appreciated the co-operation of parents who drove cars to the games and the Ram junior team who sponsored them.

Members of the team are: Mike Luty, Ron Turkosz, Wayne Allan, Gary Barends, Tim Taylor, John McCutcheon, Steve Brunelle, Steve Papillon, John Pink, Kent Kentner, Russ Van Fleet, Jim Hurley, Brian Robinson, Peter Arbic, John Hansen and Robin Incoe.

Strong defence

The local bants played a strong defensive game and goalie John McCutcheon came up with several key saves.

Coach John Goy Jr. and

Propose change for tot hockey school

Improved instruction may result in slightly higher registration fees for youngsters taking part in Acton Hockey School this winter, if a proposal submitted by arena manager Harold Townsley at Thursday night's parks and recreation committee meeting goes through.

Townsley, who had headed the weekly school in past seasons, under the sponsorship of the parks and recreation committee said he has considered operating the school himself along with another man, if the committee is not interested in sponsoring it this year.

Will pay

"We'll pay to make sure we have good instruction on the ice," he said.

Townsley's proposal would increase registration fees from the present \$3.50 per person to \$5. Youngsters would still get an hour of ice time weekly for 20 weeks.

Makes comments

Commenting on previous year's schools, Townsley told the committee:

"We've been running it in a fair fashion, but we don't have enough down on paper. Really all we've been trying to teach them is to skate."

Program committee is to meet with the two men to further discuss their proposal.

Pete Marzo joins CMC's

Acton Minor Hockey grad Pete Marzo has been working out with Guelph CMC's of the Southern Ontario Junior "A" league. He played in exhibition games Sunday night against Toronto Marlboros and last night (Tuesday) against St. Thomas.

Marzo spent last season with Kitchener Rangers of the O.H.A. Junior "A" Major league, but received word to report to the Guelph training camp this year. The two teams have a working agreement. This is Pete's final year of junior eligibility.

ICE is in and hockey started in Milton.



ACTON BANTAMS went undefeated in the Oakville Minor Oaks lacrosse house league and captured the championship trophy in their first season of operation. Team members are front row l. to r., Jim Hurley, Peter Arbic, John McCutcheon, Gary Barends, Mike Mitchell. Second row l. to r. are, John Pink, Robin Incoe, Ron Turkosz, Steve Papillon, Wayne Allan, Brian Robinson, Kent Kentner. Back row to r. are, manager Gus Holmes, Russ Van Fleet, Mike Luty, John Hansen, Steve Brunelle, coach John Goy Jr. —(Staff Photo)

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Sabres help form league

Acton Sabres, Acton's new O.H.A. Junior "D" hockey entry will probably play in a six team group with Alliston, Shelburne, Schomberg, Bradford and Fergus, team officials learned following a meeting in Orangeville Thursday night.

Phail and 1st vice-president Bob Marshall attended the meeting in the office of Orangeville lawyer Bill Church, an O.H.A. executive member, who will convene the group.

Deadline for Junior "D" entries is October 1 and unless

Names team "Sabres" Robin Incoe wins \$50

Acton's new Junior "D" hockey team will be known as the "Sabres".

Team president Kerwin McPhail announced last week the selection of the nickname "Sabres" from a list of 18 entries in the club's "Name the team" contest, advertised last spring.

Mr. McPhail also announced that 13-year-old Robin Incoe of Acton will receive the prize of a \$50 bond for submitting the winning nickname. Presentation of the bond will be made at the Sabres first home game in November.

Robin is a Grade 8 student at M. Z. Bennett school.

There are any last minute entries, all teams will play a 39 game schedule, beginning the first week of November and ending in late February. The league must have a winner ready to enter provincial playoffs by March 12.

Top four finishers in the regular schedule will make the playoffs. A tie for the final playoff position will be decided by a sudden death game. If a tie results for any other spot, the team with the most number of wins will get the nod.

Three officials Team reps. decided to have one referee and two linesmen for each game instead of two referees. Team colors and ice times were also discussed. Three

towns, Acton, Alliston and Schomberg indicated a preference for Sunday home games.

Although four of the towns, Acton, Alliston, Bradford and Fergus did not have junior teams last year, the new loop is expected to be strong and well-balanced. Schomberg placed second to the O.H.A. champion Haliburton team in their league last season. The town also captured the O.M.H.A. midget "D" championship. Fergus juveniles were O.M.H.A. juvenile "A" semi-finalists and Alliston midgets reached the O.M.H.A. midget "B" semi-finals.

Offer choice on ice rental

Acton Parks and Recreation Committee has decided to offer Acton Sabres junior hockey club their choice of paying \$15 an hour for ice time or working out a 60-40 gate split arrangement for the coming season.

The decision came after a brief discussion at Thursday night's regular meeting.

Although he preferred not to discuss an ice rental fee for the team, because he is also a member of the executive, committee member Barry Incoe said he would like to see the team get off the ground.

"This town needs junior, the intermediates need junior," he told the committee.

Could lose Arena manager Harold Townsley reminded the committee they could lose an average of \$60 weekly in public skating admissions, as a result of advancing the Sunday afternoon

hours of public skating to 12:40 - 2:15 from 2-4 to accommodate the junior team. At a previous ice time meeting team officials requested Sunday afternoon ice time for home games and were granted the hours between 2:45 and 6.

Committee member Diane Spielvogel felt 12:40 was a bad time to start public skating.

Councillor Orval Chapman finally suggested offering the team their choice of \$15 an hour or a 60-40 gate split.

The figures were based on rates charged to the Sabres intermediate team in the past. Minor hockey and industrial hockey ice rental fees will remain the same as last year.

Softball tourney set for Saturday

Eight teams have entered the softball tournament being held by the Acton Pete's Barber Shop team here this Saturday. Hespeler, Hornby, Milton, Aberfoyle, Brampton, Mississauga, Sandhill and Van Dorn (near Markham), will compete for the top prize money. Former Actonian Bob Sheppard is playing coach of the Van Dorn team.

New regulations at Luther Marsh

Luther Marsh hunters will be advised to check new restrictions this year before they travel to the area.

The area will be restricted to use by 1,800 hunters compared to the normal peaks of 1,300 present on opening day. The restrictions will apply to opening day, the first Saturday and to Thanksgiving Day.

Open at 5 a.m.

The four access points located at the south, southwest, east and north boundaries will be opened at 5 p.m. each day. Hunters will be required to show both the provincial and federal licenses

before they will be allowed to hunt.

Each hunter will be given a free hunting license, good on any lands owned by the Grand River Conservation Authority and the Department of Lands and Forests in the area bordered by Lots 13-18 inclusive in Concession V to XI inclusive, West Luther Township, Wellington County and Lots 19 to 24 inclusive in Concessions IV to XI inclusive East Luther Township, Dufferin County except the Crown Game Preserve.

He will also be given literature and regulations pertaining to the area as well as a marker.



GOALIE Frank Houston blocked shots at the Acton Minor Soccer Association "Try a kick" contest at the Fall Fair.—(Staff Photo)

Tanners alone?

The Free Press learned this week four of the five teams that played with Acton Tanners in the Central O.H.A. Intermediate "B" league last year won't likely be back.

Lucan-Ilderton Jets have decided to enter Intermediate "A" and Durham Huskies are considering the same move. Meanwhile, Elmira Polar Kings and Fergus Flyers have both folded in favor of junior clubs in those towns. Elmira has entered a Junior "B" team and Fergus juniors will play in a new six team Junior "D" loop with Acton Sabres.

The moves leave Acton Tanners and Cheltenham Harvesters looking for a new group to play in. Harvesters were classified Intermediate "C" last year.

Next closest Intermediate "B" group is the Southern Counties league which includes Preston, Tillsonburg, Aylmer, Simcoe and Delhi.

Georgetown Raiders of the Niagara District Intermediate "A" league hold their first workout of the season at Georgetown Arena this Sunday morning at 10. Former Tanner defenceman Jerry Inglis has signed to coach the team again. Welland, Fort Erie, Dundas, Brantford, Port Colborne, and Dunnville are also entered.

Tri-County reps oppose O.M.H.A. exec. proposal

An O.M.H.A. executive proposal that a minor and major series be introduced in all age groups but juvenile this season, is expected to meet stiff opposition, especially from Tri-County member towns, at the O.M.H.A. annual meeting in Toronto, Saturday, October 16.

Tri-County president Bill Rowney delegated a committee Sunday to investigate methods of

defeating the proposal. Serving on the committee are second vice-president Erwin Nelson of Hespeler, Al Bessey of Hespeler, Pat Williams of Brampton and Al Smith of Chinguacousy.

The O.M.H.A. proposal would permit minor teams in each age group to use first year players only. Major teams would be able to use first or second year players, but there would be no

transfer of players from one team to the other during the season, as there has been in the past under the first and second team setup. Provincial championships would be held in all major and minor series. Because of the small number of players registered in juvenile, no minor series is proposed in that age bracket.

Only three groups Only teams in the "AAA", "AA" and "A" series of the O.M.H.A. would be affected by the proposal. Towns in the "B" series and lower would still be allowed to use first or second year players on their second teams, but no provincial championships will be held for second teams.

Most town reps attending Sunday's league meeting in Milton felt the O.M.H.A. was jumping the gun by introducing the major-minor series so early. Some expressed doubt their towns could ice teams made up entirely of first year player and others hinted they might disband their second teams entirely, if the proposal goes through. Only two towns Oakville and Burlington indicated they would support the O.M.H.A. proposal. Both used only first year players on their second teams last season.

An amendment to the Tri-County constitution made at last year's annual meeting, restricts second teams in the "AAA" category only, to the use of first year players.

Lone dissenter President Rowney pointed out Tri-County convener Jim Kinkley, who is also O.M.H.A. second vice-president, cast the lone dissenting vote, when the

O.M.H.A. executive came up with the proposal. There was some suggestion Sunday certain O.M.H.A. executive members were looking forward to extra revenue from team entry fees in supporting the proposal. Town reps voted unanimously to allow Preston teams to play four point games against each of the other 10 towns. Preston Arena was destroyed by fire last spring, and the unfortunate result is the teams from that town will play only away games this year.

This year's O.M.H.A. referees' rules forum and clinic will be held in Streetsville, Saturday, October 30.



WINNER OF the Acton Minor Baseball Association lucky draw, pulled at Acton Fair, was Vic Bristow, Elizabeth Drive. Ken Swan, right, presents the cheque while AMBA president Roy Swan, centre, assists.—(Staff Photo)

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