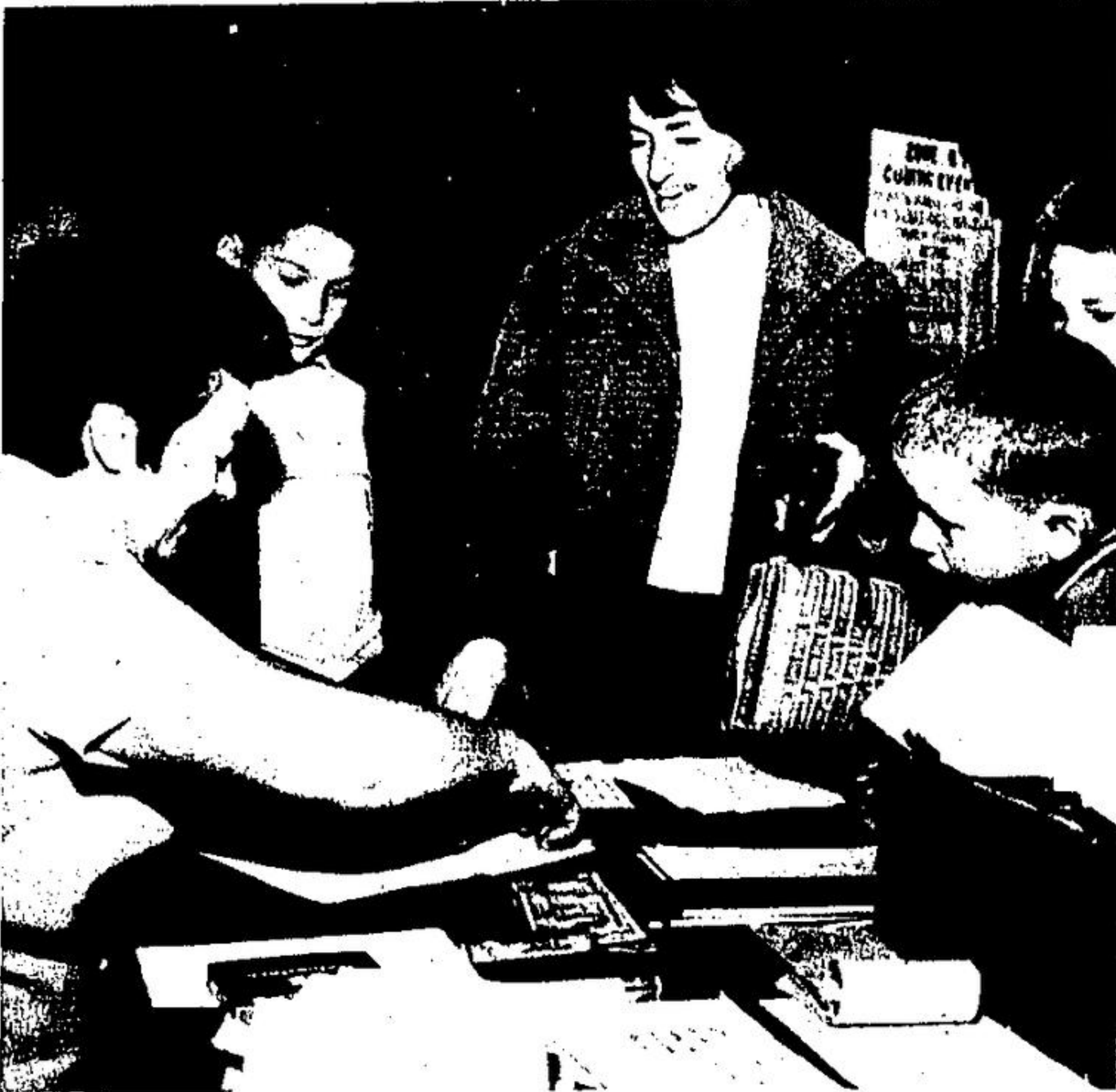


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FIRST SESSION of minor hockey registration at the Legion Saturday morning attracted a total of 85 boys, including 16 who did not play here last year. Registrar Jean McPhail signs up Jack and Steve Evans here, as Mrs. C. Evans looks on. Second and final registration will be held at the Legion this Saturday morning between 9 and 11.30 a.m.

# Acton minors seek transfer

Acton Tri-County Minor Hockey Association has formally applied to the O.M.H.A. to have its five teams transferred from the Tri-County Minor Hockey League to the Waterloo-Wellington League for the coming hockey season.

A formal letter of application has been submitted to O.M.H.A. secretary-manager Vern McCallum and copies sent to Tri-County convener Jim Kinkley, Waterloo-Wellington convener Al Moore and Tri-County secretary Herb Robinson. The application is expected to be considered at the Friday night O.M.H.A. executive meeting, which precedes Saturday's O.M.H.A. annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel in Toronto.

The Acton executive made the decision to apply for a transfer at a regular meeting Sunday afternoon, after learning that the Tri-County League executive had decided not to allow Acton bantam and midjet teams exemption from playing Guelph, Burlington, Brantford and Oakville, all of whom are in the O.M.H.A.'s "AAA" classification for towns of a population of 35,000 or more.

**Grant waiver**  
The league executive granted the waiver to Acton novices for the 1969-70 season and to Acton novices and peewees for the 1970-71 season. Acton requested last April that it also be granted to the midjet and bantam teams for this season.

Acton first entered a midjet team in the Tri-County league in 1959-60. That team recorded five wins and a tie in group play, defeated Milton for the Tri-County midjet "B" championship and lost out to Brantford 7-6 in a total goals series for the Tri-County grand championship.

Subsequent Acton juvenile entries competed well in the league, which at that time included teams with reasonably close populations.

However, as other member towns like Brampton, Oakville, and Georgetown grew in size, it became increasingly evident that Acton teams, especially in the novice, peewee and bantam age groups, were being dominated on the ice by teams from the larger centres. Acton has grown from 4200 to 4800 in the last 10 years, while Brampton, Oakville and Burlington have more than doubled their populations.

The Acton executive felt the domination, which often had visiting "AAA" teams reaching double figures in goals scored, was having a detrimental psychological effect on some boys. Many decided to drop back to the house league.

Another consideration in the Acton executive's decision to apply for a transfer was schedule starting times. Most of the Tri-County teams begin practising in mid-September and the league schedule begins October 17, a week and sometimes two before ice is even available in Acton. The Waterloo-Wellington schedule usually begins in mid-November, since many towns in that league are in the same situation as Acton regarding ice.

**Smaller towns**  
Towns in the Waterloo-Wellington league are

## 400 club

Lucky winners in last week's 400 Club draw were, Doug Black, Vic Bristow, Lil Howson, Ray Webster and Denis Gibbons.

Winners on Saturday, October 2 were, Dunc Anderson, John Palmer, Stan Matthews, Alar Hall and Frank Kerschmanns.

# Tanners will sit out

Faced with the impractical and highly expensive situation of having their team play in the Georgian Bay Intermediate "A" league, Acton Tanners' executive have decided to have the team suspend operations for this year.

Marshall said this week the team would definitely be on the ice again next year, if there are enough intermediate teams reasonably close to form a group. Tanners played in a six team intermediate "B" group last year along with Cheltenham,

Fergus, Durham, Elmira and Lucan but the group was narrowed down to two teams, when Durham and Lucan went Intermediate "A" and Fergus and Elmira folded.

Cheltenham are reportedly interested in entering a group in the Stouffville area. Durham have joined the Georgian Bay Intermediate "A" loop and Lucan have decided to play a 25 game exhibition schedule, then enter the O.H.A. Intermediate "A" playoffs as a bye team.

"The only group left for us was the Georgian Bay league and we felt it was just too far to travel and would prove too costly," Mr. Marshall told the Free Press. "Our executive will remain intact and we'll be meeting periodically," he said.

Mr. Marshall said he understood the Southern Counties league, which includes teams like Tilsonburg, Simcoe, Paris and Aylmer, had eight teams already and no room to allow any more. However, he indicated that if more teams enter next year, the O.H.A. might decide to split the group and have Acton join teams in the eastern section of the league, in a new loop.

He said the executive discussed the possibility of entering the team in the COHL, a rural league which is not affiliated with the



JACK MARSHALL, Tanner president

# Confusion on registration

Some confusion on the family registration fee existed at Saturday's minor hockey registration.

The \$20 fee for more than two boys of the same family applies only to players who want to play Tri-County.

Legion house league registration fee is \$7.50 per individual player. There is no family rate.

# Register

Minor hockey registration will once again be a joint effort of the Acton Tri-County Minor Hockey Association and the Acton Legion House League Association this year.

Registration fee for all players is \$7.50. Players who play Tri-County midjet or juvenile will pay an additional fee of \$2.50 later in the season.

This year for the first time house league players will receive a sweater which they may keep. This accounts for the increase in registration fee from last year's figure of \$4.

Tryouts for Tri-County teams will be conducted the same as in the past. All players who register will be given the opportunity to play for a Tri-County team.

# New look for hockey school

Registration for Acton Hockey and Skating School will be held in the community centre, Tuesday, October 19 and Thursday, October 21 between the hours of 8 and 8 p.m.

The school, formerly operated by the Acton Parks and Recreation Committee, has been taken over this year by Acton Minor Hockey head coach Jim James and arena manager Harold Townsley. It will be held for a 20 week period, beginning as soon as ice is available.

**Teaches basics**  
The school is designed to teach youngsters with no previous hockey experience the basic of skating and hockey.

A separate school for older boys, which will concentrate on hockey instruction, may also be started, if enough interest is shown. It would be held on Saturday afternoons and would be restricted to a registration of 40.

Registration fees for the Tuesday and Thursday hockey and skating school are \$5 single, \$7.50 for two children of the same family or \$10 for three or more children of the same family.

Former Acton Tanner winger Don Norton has also agreed to help with instruction.

Starting dates for the school will appear in Free Press, when ice is available.

# Expect more skaters soon

Figure skating registrations were taken in the community centre the past two Saturdays,

with a lower-than-expected figure of 75 registering. However, officials are confident many of the pupils of former years will be back when lessons start, to double that figure.

Club professionals again this year will be Nancy Skuce and Sally Leatherland and a carnival will end the season.

**Days set**  
Intermediates will have lessons Mondays 5 to 7 p.m., juniors Wednesdays 6 to 7.30 p.m., seniors Wednesdays 7.30 to 10 p.m. and private lessons are scheduled for Fridays 6 to 8 p.m. Many newcomers have registered for the first time.

# Sabres' exec meets tonight

At a regular executive meeting tonight (Wednesday) Acton Sabres' hockey officials are expected to finalize plans for renting of ice in Guelph for practice sessions some time next week.

Also to be discussed tonight is a method of transportation for the team for the coming Junior "D" hockey season. The executive is reportedly considering using buses.

Team president Kerwin McPhail told the Free Press preliminary contacts with prospective players has produced an excellent response. No word has been received from convener Bill Church about the next group meeting.



CAPTAIN JOHN GALT of Acton peewees vice-president Jim Mitchell. Peewee coach accepted the Denny's Insurance trophy at the George Fitzner looks on.—(Staff Photo) recent minor baseball windup from A.M.B.A.

# Lights as memorial?

A memorial to John (Scotty) Patterson, one of Georgetown's outstanding sports stars, who died earlier this year, is in the planning stage.

John T. Armstrong and Gordon King explained to Georgetown Council that a group of residents want lights in the park for baseball diamonds as a tribute to Mr. Patterson's contribution as a player, coach and manager in baseball and hockey.

They estimate that one-third of the \$15,000 cost could be raised by private subscription. The proposal will receive council consideration.

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**REGISTRATION**

Tuesday, Oct. 19 - Thursday, Oct. 21

6 P.M. 8 P.M.

AT THE  
**ACTON ARENA**  
20 WEEK SESSIONS

**FEES:**

1 Boy	\$5.00
2 Brothers of 1 family	\$7.50
3 Brothers or more of 1 family	\$10.00

Operated this year by Harold Townsley and Gord James

**ON OCTOBER 21**

**VOTE**

**CAMERON LUSH**

*Liberal Candidate*

**Wellington-Dufferin**

**Experienced**  
Cam Lush served on the Eramosa School Board as a trustee for five years, one of them as chairman. He knows about education and its costs. He was reeve of Eramosa Township for seven years — served on Wellington County Council and was warden of Wellington County during Centennial Year. He knows about local municipal problems — people problems — and he's proved his leadership.

**Knowledgeable**  
Cam Lush has lived most of his life in Wellington-Dufferin, attending school at Eramosa and Guelph secondary school. He and his wife Edna, bought their present farm at R. R. 5, Rockwood 27 years ago. He knows the people in Wellington-Dufferin well, and he knows their problems, and wants to do something about them.

**AS CAM LUSH SAYS:**  
For some time we've known it's time to change. The Liberal Party has worked for four years to develop a series of programs that could be put into action when it forms the government. We call it our Blueprint for Government. These programs are what we have been asking for. They're exciting and they'll get the province on the move the way it should be. All we need is the chance — your vote.

**REGISTRATION**

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**LAST CHANCE**

**Saturday, October 16th**

From 9 A.M. To 11.30 A.M.

(TEAMS WILL SOON BE PICKED)

- HOUSE LEAGUE
- TRI-COUNTY HOCKEY

**Registration Fee \$7.50**

(Includes Sweater For House League Players)

**Acton Industrial Hockey League**

Registration Fee

**\$10.00**

Registration Fee

**\$10.00**

**Player Registration**

**Sunday, Oct. 17th**

from 1 P.M. to 2 P.M.

AT THE

**ACTON ARENA**

All players interested are urged to register

**as only the first 48 registered will play**