



ACTON SABRE goalie Craig Weldon wasn't exactly overworked in Sunday afternoon's 6-1 win over the league leading Alliston Hornets, but he came up with the big save on all but one Hornet shot. (Top right), Sabre defenceman Brad Timbers watches the puck slide past Weldon for the only Alliston goal. (Above) Randy Weldon takes the puck to safety, after Craig made a diving stop, upsetting Dale Fisher in the process. Sabres play in Alliston Friday night and take on Shelburne Bluebirds here, Sunday afternoon at 1.30. —(Staff Photos)



Tickets available

There are still tickets available for the Sabre bus to Alliston for Friday night's game. Tickets may be purchased from Bill Morrison 853-2586, Ed McGilloway 853-2919 or Bob Price at the Acton arena 853-0020. The bus will leave the arena at 6.30.

A-B novices outlucked

Lady luck just wasn't with the Acton A-B novice team in their Waterloo-Wellington league game in Fergus, Thursday night. A-B's deflected three goals into their own net in the 4-3 defeat. Novices have four games in the next six days. They play in Orangeville, tonight (Wednesday), host the same team tomorrow (Thursday) night at 7, take an Elmira, here Saturday afternoon at 1.10 and travel to Flora for a game, Monday night at 7.

Sabre hits take sting out of Hornet attack

Alliston Hornets came into town Sunday riding the crest of a seven game unbeaten streak and owning sole possession of first place in the South Central O.H.A. Junior "D" League. They left town three hours later, licking their wounds, after being outbumped and outscored 6-1 by Acton Sabres, and found themselves tied with Schomberg Cougars. Schomberg trounced the hapless Shelburne Bluebirds 10-2 Sunday.

Sabres' third win of the campaign narrowed the gap between them and the league's four frontrunners to five points. Bradford and Fergus are tied for second, just two points out of first.

Hornets tried to sting the locals by using the body, the same way they did against Fergus the previous weekend, but they found Sabres very receptive to their style of play and wound up getting stung themselves.

Referee busy
Referee Ted Casson was kept busy nabbing both sides for over, doing the rough play bit. High-sticking and slashing infractions were frequent. Sabres' Bill Field and Bob Prentice of Alliston squared off in a free swinging second period battle for which both received fighting majors. Brian Davey and Alliston's John Barber picked up five each for a third period scrap, which started after Barber sent Sabre captain Ray Evans to the ice with what

looked like an obvious cross-check.

When the teams played hockey, it was hard to believe Alliston is the first place club. Sabres kept the pressure on the visitors for all but the final 10 minutes of the game, when there were almost as many players in the penalty box as on the ice.

Grab lead
Dale Fisher and Gary Turkosz gave Acton a 2-0 lead with first period goals. Turk's goal was his first since the November 7 game against Shelburne.

Bill Field cashed in George McPhail's pass to make it 3-0 early in the second period. Hornets were shorthanded at the time.

Simultaneous minor penalties to Les Wilson and Randy Weldon at 7:17 left Acton two men short and allowed Alliston to beat Craig Weldon for the only time in the game. Mike McKay dented the twine with Paul Doane and Pat O'Leary assisting.

Brian Davey wiped out the Hornet goalie, when he blasted a slap shot through a maze of players at 11:45.

Pretty goal
Fisher bagged his second goal early in the third and Ray Evans put the icing on the Sabre victory cake with the prettiest goal of the game. Evans poke-checked a Hornet defender, stickhandled past another and faked goalie John Doane right out of the net. Randy Weldon picked up two

assists for Acton. Bill Field, George McPhail, Gary Turkosz and Ted Harmer earned one apiece.

Couch Bill Dawkins went with three lines for the first time this season. The third unit made up of John Sheppard, Les Wilson and Gord Murray held their own, when they were called on. Charlie Gidden also played a regular

shift filling in for missing defenceman Jack Durante.

Although he wasn't exactly ambushed with shots, Craig Weldon bested Hornet forwards on all but the second period goal, when his defence deserted him.

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May change basis for rec. grants

Junior "D" stats

Alliston	Schomberg	Bradford	Fergus	ACTON	Shelburne	
9	6	2	1	13	43	35
10	5	2	3	13	57	42
8	5	2	1	11	57	40
9	5	3	1	11	55	31
10	4	6	0	8	58	55
10	0	10	0	0	37	104

GAME SCORES

Fergus 14; Shelburne 2.
Bradford 7; Schomberg 7.
Alliston 6; Shelburne 3.
Schomberg 1; Fergus 1.
Acton 6; Alliston 1.
Schomberg 10; Shelburne 2.
Acton 10; Shelburne 4.

TOP SCORERS

G	A	Pts	
Ray Evans, Acton	9	15	24
Bill Field, Acton	7	10	17
Tom Coffey, Bradford	8	8	16
Jim Masin, Bradford	8	7	15
Terry Bolger, Fergus	10	4	14
Andy Purmals, Bradford	9	5	14
Delbert Seace, Shelburne	8	6	14
Dale Fisher, Acton	5	9	14

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A CUTIE WHO CAN shoot(!) That's Sabre booster Karen Hillman, who won herself \$5 by connecting on her first attempt at the Acton IGA Score-o contest at Sunday's Sabre-Alliston

Fergus nips peewees

Acton Y's Men's pee wees dropped a narrow 5-4 decision to

Fergus Saturday night in Waterloo-Wellington league action. The loss was the fourth in six games for the Acton crew.

Joe Gardin scored twice for Acton. Jeff Shields and Randy Upton each scored once. Marvin McNabb assisted on three of the Acton goals.

Y course successful

First session of the Y.M.C.A. swimming lessons wound up at the Guelph Y, Friday night. Y program coordinator Mary Debenham reports response was excellent and the program was very successful.

Parents wishing to register children for the second session, which begins Friday, January 7, may do so any Monday or Tuesday night at the Acton Y.M.C.A. building after 7 p.m. or by calling Mrs. Debenham at 853-2483.

The following students passed star one of the five star intermediate level swimming award. Kevin Broostad, Donald Coats, Heather Reed, Erika Heptner, Nancy Patterson, Becky Baxter and Carol McKenzie.

Passing the National standard beginner swimming tests were, Karitas Aitken, Jenny Flinders, Eugene Braida, Linda Zions, Julie Zions, Ronald Haefner, Victor Ivans, Ronald Guest, Janice Ellerby, Cliff Creasey, Nancy Hurd, Jacqueline Denny and Monika Heptner.

Bill Field foils Bluebird win bid

A five goal effort by Bill Field sparked Acton Sabres to a convincing 10-4 win over Shelburne Bluebirds in Shelburne, last night (Tuesday). Sabres are now only three points behind Bradford and Fergus, who are tied for second place.

Sabres trailed 3-2 at the end of the first period and led only 5-4 going into the third.

League scoring leader Ray Evans added to his totals with a two goal three assist effort. George McPhail, Randy Weldon and Dale Fisher scored the other Acton goals. Weldon also earned four assists.

Industrial action

Ed Hillier fires shinny sixshooter

Ed Hillier's six goal effort sparked Heller's to an easy 11-5 win over Nielsen's in the second half of Sunday night's AIHL doubleheader. First place Blow Press knocked off Lakeview Centre 11-4 in the opener.

Jim McDonald and Gary Ritchie rounded out the leather-workers' scoring. McDonald fired a hat trick and Ritchie potted a pair of goals. Defenceman Cecil Stuckless was credited with four assists. McDonald, Andy Berry and Ron Heller collected two each. Fred Buchanan and Gary Ritchie picked up one apiece.

Pots two
Gord Mason counted two goals and two assists for Lakeview.

Dave Papillon, Ron McClintock and Ray Stull all scored once. Papillon added a pair of assists. Ken McIsaac and Bill Coon earned one apiece.

Seven players shared in the Blow Press scoring. Gary Kelley scored three goals, Ron Schmidt and Harry Hillier two each and Kevin Hall, Cliff Nelson, Lorne Gordon and Dave Ryder one apiece. Hillier and Cunningham both earned three assists. Kelley and Schmidt contributed two each and Hall, Gordon, Ryder and John McNabb had one apiece.

Lakeview snipers were John Mason, Gary Masales, Bill Cook and Gerry Van Der Eyken. Dave Cookley had two assists, while Mason, Masales and Larry Porte notched one apiece.

AIHL STANDINGS

W	L	Pts	GF	GA
Blow Press	4	1	45	28
Heller's	3	2	39	35
Lakeview	2	3	32	39
Nielsen's	1	4	27	42

Sunday's Games

7 p.m. — Heller's vs. Lakeview
8:30 p.m. — Nielsen's vs. Blow Press

Top Scorers

G	A	Pts	
Harry Hillier, B	12	7	19
Ed Hillier, H	9	8	18
John Cunningham, B	8	9	17
Gary Ritchie, H	12	3	15
Gary Kelley, B	8	5	13
Dave Papillon, N	8	4	12
Ron Schmidt, B	7	5	12
John Mason, L	8	4	10
Gary Masales, L	7	2	9
Stu McDonald, N	7	2	9
Steve Coy, N	7	3	9
Jim McDonald, H	4	5	9

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