

Bradford win tightens race

Bradford Vasey's moved to within three points of the fourth place Acton Sabres in the South Central Junior "D" league, when they downed the locals 5-3 in Bradford last Wednesday night. Bradford grabbed a 3-0 lead before the 10 minute mark of the first period on goals by Pete Stuart, Tom Coffey and Andy Purmals.

Brad Timbers put Acton on the scoresheet at 15:43, while Bradford's Stu Thompson was sitting out an elbowing penalty.

Second goal

Purmals bagged his second goal midway through the second period to increase the Bradford lead to 4-1.

Sabres' second line then clicked for a pair of goals to reduce the lead to a single goal.

Dale Fisher scored from Gary Turkosz and Randy Weldon and set up Pete Morrison for his 20th goal of the season. Turkosz also drew an assist on Morrison's goal.

Miss chances

Sabres missed some golden scoring opportunities in the third period, which left them still one goal down with a minute and a half to go. Coach Bill Dawkins pulled goalie Craig Weldon in favor of a sixth forward, but the move backfired, when Coffey scored into the empty net to clinch the victory.

John Gorecki assisted on four of the five Bradford goals.

Sabre captain Ray Evans played only briefly because of a back ailment. Defenceman Rick Mitchell also missed the game.

Junior "D" stats

(Not including last night's game Alliston at Shelburne)

	P	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Fergus	26	18	5	3	173	83	39
Alliston	24	14	7	3	106	90	31
Schomberg	23	13	7	3	145	98	29
ACTON	27	12	14	1	151	119	25
Bradford	24	10	12	2	124	126	22
Shelburne	22	0	22	0	59	242	0

GAME SCORES

Fergus 16—Shelburne 1
 Bradford 5—Acton 3
 Fergus 6—Acton 2
 Schomberg 5—Bradford 4
 Shelburne at Alliston—postponed
 Fergus 6 Acton 5

TOP SCORERS

	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Ray Evans, Acton	25	29	43	72	45
Sandy Fleming, Fergus	25	31	25	56	61
Kim Beirnes, Fergus	24	19	35	54	35
Bill Field, Acton	26	32	16	48	134
Randy Fleming, Fergus	22	28	18	46	102
Tom Coffey, Bradford	22	17	26	43	11
George McPhail, Acton	25	10	32	42	37
Dale Fisher, Acton	25	13	27	40	59
Andy Purmals, Bradford	23	24	15	39	92
Terry Bolger, Fergus	23	24	13	37	12

Legion

town league tallies

ATOMS—David Brown's four goal effort sparked Dixie to a 6-0 shutout win over Brampton. Joe Carter and Brent Vickery also scored for Dixie. Brown and Vickery picked up assists and Andy Ellerby recorded the shutout in the Dixie cage.

Gordie McArthur potted a pair of goals, as Weston conquered Guelph 4-1. Gary Lumbers and Tim Hepburn were the other Weston goal scorers. McArthur and Tim Ferguson drew assists.

Mike Strong scored the Guelph goal early in the third period.

NOVICES—Peter Luty held Oshawa sharpshooters at bay for three periods and Bob Hudson and Todd Cook handled the scoring to give London a 2-0 win over the last place Generals. Chris Hudson earned an assist on Cook's goal.

For the second week in a row Mike Nicholls was a one man wrecking crew for St. Catharines. Nicholls scored all three goals in the Black Hawks' 3-0 win against Peterborough. Ricky Lott and Steve Trotter picked up assists. Doug Johnson posted his second consecutive shutout in goal.

Steve Lumbers' third period goal broke a 4-4 tie and enabled Niagara Falls to edge Hamilton 5-4. The score was tied 2-2 at the end of the first period and 3-3 at the end of the second.

Rob Henshaw also scored twice for the Flyers. Mike Dawson and Steve Tremulis shot single goals. Assists went to Henshaw and Wayne Thomson.

Nick Humeniuk bagged a hat trick for the Red Wings. David McAdam contributed a goal and an assist and Randy McIntyre collected a pair of assists.

PEEWEEES—Dave Haverly led Baltimore to a 4-2 victory over Rochester with a two goal effort. Marc McKerracher and Tom Ryan tallied a goal apiece. Bill Waites picked up two assists and Jeff Paton notched one.

Brian Bilton and Norm Thornhill replied for Rochester. Bilton, Ford Alton and Mike Morris picked up assists.

Brian Moore scored the first two goals and assisted on the last two, as Springfield nipped Cleveland 4-3 to move into a tie for first place. Ron Guest and Ron Kulien scored the other Springfield goals. John Galt and Ray Kingmill earned assists.

FUTURE GAMES

Sat. Feb. 12
 PEEWEEES—8:00 Rochester vs Springfield, 7:35 Cleveland vs Baltimore

NOVICE—4:35 London vs Niagara Falls, 8:30 Hamilton vs Peterborough, 10:25 St. Catharines vs Oshawa

ATOM—11:20 Dixie vs Weston, 12:15 Brampton vs Guelph

Mon. Feb. 14
 BANTAM—7:10 Buffalo vs Pittsburgh, 8:10 Los Angeles vs Montreal

ATOM

	P	W	L	T	Pts
Weston	13	8	2	2	20
Brampton	13	8	3	4	15
Dixie	13	3	1	9	7
Guelph	13	2	3	8	7

NOVICE

	P	W	L	T	Pts
London	13	10	1	2	21
Hamilton	13	8	2	3	18
Niagara Falls	13	8	0	5	18
St. Catharines	13	3	1	9	7
Peterborough	13	3	1	9	7
Oshawa	13	1	0	12	2

PEEWEEES

	P	W	L	T	Pts
Springfield	13	10	0	3	20
Rochester	13	10	0	3	20
Baltimore	13	3	2	8	8
Cleveland	13	1	2	10	4

BANTAM

	P	W	L	T	Pts
Buffalo	8	7	0	1	14
Pittsburgh	8	3	0	5	6
Hershey	8	2	0	6	4

MIDGET

	P	W	L	T	Pts
Montreal	12	7	0	5	14
Los Angeles	12	5	0	7	10

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FERGUS GOALIE Tom Broderick (partially hidden by net) slid out to smother this loose George McPhail was ready to bang it in. Fergus defenders l. to r. are Wayne Dow, Dick puck in Sunday's game, just as Sabres' Slater and Don Redman.—(Staff Photo)

Flying Flemings spark Fergus win

The flying Fleming twins, Randy and Sandy sparked the first place Fergus "Green Machine" to a 6-2 win over Acton Sabres here Sunday afternoon, as the league leaders became the first team to clinch a playoff berth in the South Central O.H.A. Junior "D" league.

Randy scored a pair of goals in a 19 second span early in the third period, while Sabres were shorthanded, to put the game out of reach. Sandy's second period brace broke up a tight 2-1 game and gave Fergus a three goal lead going into the final frame.

Share spotlight

Goalie Tom Broderick and defenceman Merv Griffin shared the spotlight with the high scoring twins, foiling excellent second period scoring bids by the frustrated Sabres. Broderick literally flew through the air to block some of the Sabre blasts. Griffin was particularly effective killing off penalties and as a point man on the Fergus power play. He set up both goals by Randy Fleming.

Dick Slater opened the scoring for Fergus, while team-mate Bruce Bolger was sitting out a hooking penalty in the first period. He stole the puck from Randy Weldon walked in alone and beat Nelson Barber with a shot right along the ice.

Goalie freezes

Ron Driscoll was probably the most surprised man in the rink, when Barber froze on his low drive to the bottom right hand corner of the net two minutes later.

Erin enters softball loop

Erin was accepted as a new entry at the annual meeting of the Tri-County Minor Softball Association held in Rockwood recently.

Present members of the association include Hillsborough, Rockwood, Elora, Ponsonby, Linehouse, Moffat, Eden Mills, Glen Williams, Morrison and Belwood.

Pro team seeks Bob Turkosz

Reports out of Windsor indicate the new Windsor professional lacrosse team is interested in Acton's Bob Turkosz.

Turkoz scored 89 goals in 24 games in his final year of Junior "B" play last year with Acton Rams.

Windsor have entered the new pro league along with Toronto, Peterborough and Brantford.

Bennett boys enter tourney

M. Z. Bennett boys' basketball team will be one of eight vying for honors in a tournament in Georgetown this Saturday.

The team will play Burlington Fairview in its first game Saturday morning at 10:30.

Also in the tournament are Georgetown Centennial, Stewarttown, Brampton, William G. Davis, Streetsville Dolphin, Milton Holy Rosary and Milton Martin St.

Games begin at the Georgetown District High School gym at 9 in the morning. First round winners continue in championship play, while losers enter the consolation series.

400 winners

Lucky winners in last week's 400 club draw were, John Turkosz, Pic Dillon, Barb Weldon, Jean Bullough and Hank Ruppert.

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Rally falls short

Acton Sabres came within an ace of upsetting the league-leading Fergus "Green Machine" in a replay of Friday night's postponed game in Fergus last night (Tuesday).

Fergus won the game 6-5, but not before Sabres battled them right down to the wire.

Down 4-1 at the end of the first period, Sabres bounced back to outscore their hosts 2-1 in each of the final two periods. Acton had most of the play in the second and third frames.

Dale Fisher scored twice for Acton. Gary Turkosz, George McPhail and Ray Evans each scored once. Evans' goal was his 30th of the season.

Turkoz also assisted on three goals. Pete Morrison drew two assists and Evans, Bill Field and Ted Harmer picked up one apiece.

Bruce Boyd, Randy Fleming, Ron Driscoll, Terry Bolger, Kim Beirnes and Don Hedman scored for Fergus.

Craig Weldon robbed the "Flying Flemings" on two excellent scoring chances and generally turned in one of his best efforts in the Acton cage.

Tom Broderick was equally good in the Fergus nets. Both goalies stopped 32 shots.

Sabres' Bill Field received a 10 minute misconduct in the third period and was tagged with a game misconduct by referee Jim King following the final buzzer.

Sabres have a three point lead over fifth place Bradford going into this Sunday's game in Schomberg.

Ski racing class full

Glen Eden Ski Club's new youth ski racing program is so successful, organizers have had to close off registrations at 60 and further applications are being refused.

Brian Hadfield of Milton, one of the parents involved in organizing the Nancy Greene and Alpine ski leagues, said the young skiers had a great time on the past weekend, training Saturday and Sunday with a qualifying slalom course race against time.

There are three Nancy Greene groups (aged eight to 13) and two Alpine teams (14 to 19 years) and they plan competition both at their home club and against skiers from two other ski areas later in the season.

Coaching is being handled by Mike Weiss, John Schreiber and Mike Clements.

Bantams defend title

Milton Legion Bantams will meet Paris in the first round of OMHA Bantam playoff action in Paris Friday, and return to the comforts of home ice for the second game of the series Saturday at 5:30.

Two time recipient of the Lady Byng trophy for the NHL, player best combining ability with clean play, former Toronto Maple Leaf star Sid Smith will be among the cast of ex-pros performing with the NHL Oldtimers, when they play the Acton Junior Sabres, here Friday night February 22, as a prelude to the third annual Legion pee-wee house league tournament. One of the most popular Leafs of all time, Smith played on four Stanley Cup championship teams during his 11 year career. Tickets for the game are available only the night of the game. Admission is \$1.25 and 75 cents for children. Proceeds from the game go to the Acton Legion Minor Hockey Association.

Milton wins badminton match

Donna Aitken and Fia Vanitem combined to produce the only Acton win of the night in a 12 match exhibition between the Acton and Milton badminton clubs at Acton High School Monday night.

The more experienced Milton players chalked up victories in the other 11 doubles matches. There were six mixed doubles matches played, as well as three ladies and three men's doubles matches.

Competing for Acton were, Marion Patterson, Pat Pope, Judy Van Der Eyken, Pat Boyesen, Doreen Gibb, Joan Morris, Fia Vanitem, Donna Aitken, Ray LaChappelle, George Williams, George Lee, Jack Pope, John Coniglio, Vic Morris, George Van Der Eyken, John Mowat, Roland McCulloch, Hugh Patterson, Phil Elliott and Dennis Gibbons.

Participants enjoyed coffee and doughnuts following the matches.

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