

It's tourney time again

R's tournament time again and Acton's five minor hockey representative teams are all looking forward to participation in the popular year-ending events during the school winter holidays.

Acton Firefighter bantams will be the first local team to see tournament action this year. Firefighters face Unionville in the opening game of the 44 team Georgetown International Bantam Tournament, Saturday morning at 7:30. The same two teams play again in the second

game of a total goals series at 3 in the afternoon. Winner of the round advances against either Uxbridge or Pickering the following Tuesday morning.

Midgets in
CFAW midgets were accepted into the Hespeler tournament as a replacement team. They'll see their first action against Hagersville, Monday, March 20 at 4:30.

A-B novices will be defending their "B" series championship, when they travel to Port Colborne, Friday, March 24 for the annual Port Colborne-

Humberstone tourney. A-B's take on Niagara Falls "B" team in their first game.

Lions entered
Lions juveniles are back in the 14th annual Tri-County Juvenile Tournament in Milton. They meet Woodbridge in the first round, Monday, March 27 at 7. Lions were "C" series finalists last year.

Y's Men's peewees still have hopes of going to Collingwood for a tournament there. Acton is on the standby list now.

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Raider rally puts ex-champs on ropes

Georgetown Raiders have moved to within a game of eliminating the defending O.H.A. Intermediate "A" champion Brantford Foresters from the Niagara District league semifinals.

Raiders won the third and fourth games of the best of seven series 5-4 and 7-1 on home ice Sunday and Monday to grab a 3-1 lead in games. Fifth game will be played in Brantford, Friday night, with the six if necessary, slated for Georgetown arena, Sunday night at 8.

Terry Cooke, Duffy McCarthy, Jim Blair, Al Stitt and Paul "Porky" Robinson were the Georgetown marksmen in

Sunday's game. Raiders bounced back from a 2-0 first period deficit to win.

Cooke, an ex-Waterloo University star, fired four goals in Monday's game. Steve Blundy, Al Rachen and Blake Inglis tallied singles. Keith Pallett was a standout in the Raider nets in both games.

Over 1000 fans jammed the arena for Sunday's game. Poor weather conditions kept Monday's crowd down around the 800 mark.

If Raiders win the series, they'll go directly into the league finals against Dundas, Welland or Dunnville.

Novices tie Eringate 1-1

In one of their most impressive performances this season, Acton A-B novices battled Eringate, a MTHL "B" club, to a 1-1 tie at the community centre Sunday afternoon.

Although they were outweighed five to 10 pounds a man, A-B's enjoyed a slight advantage in the play and outshot the visitors 27-12. The same Eringate team clobbered Acton 10-1 in December.

Steve Wood put Eringate in front 1-0 in the first period on a pass from Stu Hamilton.

Dave McGilloway got the equalizer at 11:15 of the final frame. Randy Van Fleet and Ricky Gibson drew assists on the goal.

Acton captain Scott Malcolm was the real take charge guy, as he led several dangerous rushes into the Eringate end. Chris Swetman played a steady game in the Acton nets.



THE GIANTS AND DWARFS of Eden Mills battled on Acton arena ice Saturday afternoon, when Acton Firefighters and Guelph Lions clashed in an exhibition game. Tiny B. J. Legate, a first year Firefighter, is flanked by two former Acton

players Gary and Gerald Barden, who now form a massive defensive combination for the Guelph club. The twins, both second year bantams, stand 5 feet 10 1/2 inches and weigh in the neighborhood of 190 pounds apiece. —(Staff Photo)

4-towners make finals

Acton Legion 4-town midgets will meet Georgetown, Saturday night in Streetsville for the 4-town midget championship.

Acton earned the right to meet the defending champs by being Streetsville 3-3 in Streetsville last night (Tuesday) and winning the total goals series 5-2.

Paul Daley scored two goals and Chris Tennant added one for Acton. Ken Jordan handled netminding chores.

Gary McEachern and Wayne DeForest are handling the duties of coach and manager for this year's team.

Playoff trail proves rocky

Four of the five teams that eliminated Acton entries in the O.M.H.A. playoffs tasted defeat themselves in the next round of the annual title hunt. Only New Hamburg juveniles, who are now engaged in a provincial semifinal series with Campbellford, have managed to stay alive. The burgers ousted Beamsville in the second round.

New Hamburg novices bowed to Waterloo in the zone semifinals, in a series that went the full limit of games. Pee Wee and midget teams from New Hamburg were sidelined in straight games in the second round, pee wees by Ancaster and midgets by Niagara-on-the-Lake. Ancaster bantams lost to Caledonia in the deciding game of a best of three provincial quarter-final series.

New Hamburg juveniles are the lone Waterloo-Wellington league team still left in O.M.H.A. playoffs. Fergus pee wees, Elmira bantams and Elmira midgets all reached the quarter-finals in the "A" series, before being sidelined.

A-B's reach league finals

Acton A-B novices wrapped up their Waterloo-Wellington league semi-final series against Elora with a convincing 6-2 win, here last night (Tuesday). Acton won the best of five series in straight games and will now enter the league finals against New Hamburg, Kitchener or Fergus.

Acton built up a 7-0 lead, before Elora even scored in last night's game. Dave McGilloway fired three goals, Scott Malcolm two and Todd McIntyre, Ricky Gibson and Lee-John Bonnell one apiece for the locals. Bonnell and Malcolm both earned four assists. Peter Muselius drew three assists.

Gary Short scored both Elora goals.

Acton Tri-County Minor Hockey Association

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

AND

ACTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Sunday March 26

1:30 p.m.

All interested persons are urged to attend

Oust juves

Orangeville juveniles defeated Acton Lions 5-1 last Wednesday night to eliminate the locals from the Waterloo-Wellington league playoffs. Orangeville won the best of five series in straight games.

Centre Gord Murray scored the only Acton goal, although Lions played their best game of the series.

Lions meet Woodbridge in the first round of the Tri-County Juvenile Tournament, Monday, March 27 at 7.

Exhibition tripleheader was like old home week

Acton gained a split in exhibition games with minor hockey teams from Ridgetown at the community centre Saturday afternoon.

The local A-B novices grabbed a 3-0 first period lead and coasted to a 6-2 victory over the Ridgetown team, which has several first year players.

Ridgetown peewees evened the score, when they nipped Acton Y's Men's peewees 6-5 on a goal by Claire Mallot with only six seconds left in the game. Guelph Lions, a last minute replacement for the Ridgetown bantam team, blanked Acton Firefighters 5-0 in the third exhibition contest of the day. Ridgetown bantams were unable to make the trip because of a tournament commitment.

Old home week
It was like old home week for most of Acton players and officials. The games with Ridgetown were arranged through Murray Scoyne, who left the Acton Free Press last summer to become publisher of the Ridgetown Dominion.

Murray's youngest son Gary played wing for the Ridgetown novices against many of the boys he used to play with here. Acton peewee manager Charlie Harrison and Ridgetown peewee coach Harold Haddock renewed acquaintances for the first time, since they were teammates with the Picton juniors in the early '60's.

Even the nearby Guelph team had a few familiar faces. Gerald and Gary Barden of Eden Mills two gigantic defencemen, who played all their minor hockey in Acton, until this year, were in the Guelph lineup. Lion coach Ugo Bolzon was returning to the rink, where he once teamed up with Firefighter coach Harold Townsley and Jim Casburn to form one of Acton Tanners' highest scoring lines.

Paces attack
Scott Malcolm paced the Acton attack in the novice game with two goals and an assist. Bruce McPhail, Dave McGilloway, Shane Withers and Steve Van Der Eyken added single goals.

McGilloway, Ricky Gibson, George Brown, Todd McIntyre and Wade Vickery earned assists.

John Baldwin and Paul Mahey scored for the spunky Ridgetown team. The lead changed hands three times in the final two minutes of the exciting peewee game. Besides Mallot's game winner, Rick Patterson scored a pair for Ridgetown, while David Brown, Lee Hills and David Hill sniped one apiece.

Ricky Holmes and Joe Gardin both scored twice for Acton. Marvin McNabb added a goal and an assist. Holmes, Billy

Manes and Jeff Shields also drew assists.

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Cunningham wins scoring race

Blow Press winger John Cunningham, a veteran of 10 Acton Industrial Hockey League seasons has captured the league scoring championship for the first time.

"Cutty" collected a pair of goals and an assist in the final game of the regular schedule to nose out Ron Mellon of Heller's by a single point. This is the third year in a row Mellon has been runner-up.

Lakoview's John Mason led the league in goals scored with 33. Four players tied for the lead in assists with 29. They were, Ron Mellon and Jim McDonald of

Heller's, Harv Hillier of Blow Press and Stu McDonald of Nielsen's Clothing.

Last year's scoring champ Harv Hillier placed fifth with 51 points.

Three brother combinations were among the top 10 scorers. John and Gord Mason, Stu and Jim McDonald and Harv and Ed Hillier all made the top 10.

Complete scoring statistics are listed below:

G	A	PTS
John Cunningham, B	29	28 57
Ron Mellon, H	27	29 56
John Mason, L	33	22 55
Stu McDonald, N	23	29 52
Harv Hillier, B	22	29 51
Gary Ritchie, H	30	15 45
Gord Mason, N	21	22 43
Jim McDonald, H	14	29 43
Cecil Stuckless, H	17	25 42
Dave Papillon, N	19	17 36
Ed Hillier, H	18	29 36
Dave Ryder, B	14	20 34
Gary Tallefer, H	15	18 33
Ron Schmidt, B	13	19 32
Gerry Van Der Eyken, L	12	19 31
Ron Steller, H	8	23 31
Russ Masales, L	11	19 30
Lloyd Smalwood, L	18	10 28
Gary Kelley, B	18	9 27
Lorne Gordon, B	11	18 27
Fred Buchanan, H	11	18 27
Bill Coon, N	10	18 26

Jeff Gov, L	8	16 25
Dave Cookley, L	8	17 25
Gus Holmes, L	7	18 25
Ray Stull, N	8	15 23
Steve Goy, N	10	12 22
John Ravannah, N	10	11 21
Bill Cook, L	4	16 20
Kevin Hall, B	10	8 18
Eric Walker, L	7	9 16
Mike Miller, H	5	8 13
Cliff Nelson, B	4	7 11
Bob Waller, N	4	8 10
Ken Messiac, N	2	8 10
Woody Fabian, B	3	7 10
Alan Hall, B	3	6 9
Ron McClintock, N	3	6 9
Gary Masales, L	7	2 8
Larry Forte, L	3	5 8
Hobbe Townsend, H	3	5 8
John McNabb, B	1	7 8
Steve Townsley, N	3	5 8
Bob Andrews, L	2	4 6
Andy Berry, H	2	3 5
Jim Bullough, H	0	3 3
John Leatherland, L	0	1 1
Al Nickle, N	0	1 1

Erin lose

Erin Lions juveniles were eliminated from the O.M.H.A. Juvenile "DD" playoffs in the second round by Keswick. Erin ousted St. George in the first round.



JOHN CUNNINGHAM

Hornets stage comeback

Fergus "Green Machine" and Alliston Hornets will clash in the South Central O.H.A. Junior "D" league finals.

Fergus knocked off Bradford Vasey's 6-2 and 7-3 last week to win their best of five series three games to one with a game tied. After dropping the first two games of their series to the Schomberg Cougars, Alliston bounced back to win three games in four days and earn the right to play Fergus.

First game of the final series will probably be played Friday night, but the site has not been decided.

Simcoe and Caledonia are now tied 3-3 in the best of seven Southern Counties league final.

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MINOR SOCCER REGISTRATIONS

Saturday, March 11 and March 18

The Acton Minor Soccer Association will be holding registration sessions on Saturday, March 11 and on the following Saturday, March 18. Registration for boys aged 5-16 years will be held at the arena hall from 9 a.m. until 12 noon and at the Legion Hall from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on both days.

Registration fee for one boy \$4. (Other boys from the same family \$3 each).

Anybody wishing to play or coach soccer this year and unable to attend on these days should contact Iain Galbraith 853-0783.

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