

Disgusted with OMLA ruling midgets hang up sticks

By Denis Gibbons

Acton Rotary midgets have decided to hang up their lacrosse sticks for this season rather than go along with an almost incredible ruling made last week by the Ontario Minor Lacrosse Association. "Our boys have worked all year for the playoffs, but I just don't feel it's right to take them all the way to Ottawa to get clobbered," coach John Goy Jr. told me last night (Tuesday). Needless to report, coach Goy is upset about the OMLA's decision to place Acton, a first year team in its "C" classification,

when Orangeville, a town with a population of over 7,000 and an established team which trounced the locals in all four league games this year, has been allowed to enter the OMLA midget "D" playoffs. **Won four** Rotarians won only four league games against the tough Central minor league teams this season, but the players had not become discouraged, feeling the strong competition would benefit them when it came to playoff time. Their hopes were dimmed when coach Goy received word from the OMLA that Acton's first opponent in the playoffs would

be Owen Sound, a town with a population of close to 30,000 and a minor lacrosse program which has been organized for years. "Luckily we couldn't agree with Owen Sound on playoff dates," coach Goy continued. "Then they politely told us we could play the winner of the Ottawa-Toronto Beaches series. That really was a shocker." Ottawa eliminated the Beaches team and a representative called Goy to suggest a game be played this Saturday night, but the Acton coach declined the offer, explaining reasons to his sympathetic counterpart.

Convener speaks When I contacted OMLA midget convener Jack DeMarco of Mississauga last night (Tuesday), he admitted classification errors have been made before and that it's possible "somebody's been mistaken along the way." However, he absolved the OMLA of responsibility for the decision, claiming classifications are determined on recommendations from the conveners and executive of each specific league. DeMarco said Central minor league secretary Jack Burns of Hamilton made the recommendation to classify Acton "C" by

phone, but added the Central league was not represented at a later meeting when appeals were heard. He said all leagues and all individual teams were invited to attend the meeting. "We pretty well have to accept the conveners' recommendations," DeMarco told me. "There are 61 midget teams in Ontario and I personally have had the chance to see only 12 in action." **Expected same** Goy, who also is contact man for Acton's novice, pee wee and bantam teams said he

was notified by mail that those teams would be in the "D" classification. He said he expected the midget team would be similarly classified. "What really burned me was that the first time I heard about it was the week we were supposed to start playoffs," Goy explained. I was unable to contact either Mr. Burns or Central league convener Cyril Davis for comment before press time. Meanwhile, Goy says the team is definitely through with the OMLA but may play exhibition games if they can be arranged.

Brampton nips Roadrunners

By Rick Ronette

Acton Family Pool Roadrunners were nipped 5-4 by Brampton last Tuesday night in the final game of the regular season Halton County midget "B" baseball schedule. Roadrunners are currently in fourth place ahead of Campbellville, but Campbellville has one game left to play. **Take lead** Acton took a quick 2-0 lead in the first inning when Steve Marshall and Billy Cushman scored on a single by Ian Campbell. In the sixth inning, Brampton scored three runs on three base hits and a walk to take the lead. With one out in the top of the seventh and Acton down one run,

Dave Galbraith singled, then scored on Billy Cushman's triple. Cushman scored himself on a passed ball. However, Brampton bounced back to score two runs off three consecutive base hits in their half of the inning to earn the win. Billy Cushman led Roadrunners' offensive attack with two hits. Danny Allan, Ian Campbell, Dave Allan and "Beano" Bennett had one hit apiece. **ACTON:** Steve Marshall, Billy Cushman, Danny Allan, Dave Allan, Ian Campbell, Glen McKenzie, Jeff Hibble, Rick Bonnette, Roger McEachern, Dave Galbraith, Gary Masters, Rick Baginski, Steve Bennett, Jim McNabb.

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SUMMER VISITORS from West Germany, Christopher Schaffer (left) and Rhinehart Runkehl helped haul in this impressive catch of pike totalling over 40 pounds, while on a fishing trip near Pointe au Baril with their brother-in-law Albert Schupp, R.R. 4 Acton and nephews Harry and Peter Schupp shown in the picture. Largest of the pike weighed in at 15 lbs. How do the holidayers like Canadian Fishing? "We love it here," they said. "At home you have to have a special license to fish." —Photo by D. Gibbons

Junior girls enter finals

Acton junior girls sailed through their Halton rural minor softball league semi-final series in a breeze, walloping Lowville 30-0 in the first game and 28-3 in the second here Thursday night. Thursday's game was close for the first three innings with Acton leading only 8-3. However,

Lowville pitchers ran into control trouble in the fourth when they issued six walks allowing Acton to score 10 more runs. **Big guns** Catcher Karen Barber and first baseman Sherry Spielvogel banged out three hits apiece and also scored three runs each to lead the Acton offense. Debbie Neeley and Valerie Irwin stroked out two hits each and Heather McEachern and

Sherry Ismond had one apiece. For Lowville, Sandy Hoard had two hits and Cheryl Chewka, Lynda Bridgman and Anne Louise Lock one each. Acton now advances to the league finals against the winner of the Glen Williams-Hornby series. **ACTON:** Karen Barber, Valerie Irwin, Heather McEachern, P. Theresa Luty, Sherry Spielvogel, Sherry Ismond, Debbie Neeley, Kim Wood, Kim Jackson.

Van Fleet 5th best in Canada

Acton's Steve Van Fleet established a City of Montreal juvenile javelin record of 213 feet at an all-comers meet in Montreal Friday night, but his outstanding toss came a day too early to earn him second place in the Canadian juvenile championship event. Although he couldn't match his record throw, Steve did place fifth in a field of 22 of Canada's best juveniles in the Saturday championships. His best throw measured 199'9". Winner of the event Frank Dejak of Toronto's York Spartans set a new Canadian record of 215'7-1/2". A teammate of Steve's in the Toronto Striders track club, Bill Daub of Elmira was second with a throw of 211'. This weekend Steve travels to Sudbury, to compete in another juvenile invitational meet. **Virtue has never been as respectable as money.**

Pres. hosts Sabres

Acton Sabres players and executive members enjoyed a pre-season social get-together at the home of president Kerwin McPhail last night (Tuesday). Members of last year's inaugural team were presented with jackets.

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Novices short but long in talent

Although handicapped by the absence of key players who were on vacation, Acton Rotary novices made an excellent showing at the OMLA Novice tournament in Bramalea Saturday. With only eight players in the lineup, Rotarians pushed Streetville to the limit, before losing 7-6 on a last minute goal. In a consolation game Acton defeated Cobourg 5-3. **Played well** "Every one of our players came up with a solid effort, especially our goalie Gareth Turner. He was fabulous," coach Dave Cookley reported. Todd McIntyre fired four goals and Todd Cook and Mike Marshall netted singles in the

Streetsville game. John Toebes set up four of the Acton goals with timely passes. Cook, Marshall and Ted James also earned single assists. Derrick Neeley stole the show in the game against Cobourg, as he scored the first three Acton goals unassisted. Todd McIntyre and Todd Cook added singles and John Toebes picked up his fifth assist in the tournament. **Ruled out** Since OMLA rules state a team must dress at least 11 players for each game, Acton was not allowed to continue in consolation play. **Players, coach Cookley and manager Mike Marcoux were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave**

Neeley for a post-tournament party and swim. Rotarians clinched first place in the White Oaks house league with a 7-2 win at the community centre last Wednesday night. Derrick Neeley, Todd McIntyre and Mike Marshall each bagged a brace of goals and Pete Turkosz scored once. McIntyre and Ted

James collected assists. Novices wind up their regular schedule in Oakville tomorrow (Thursday) night and will likely begin their playoffs early next week. **ACTON:** Gareth Turner, Ted James, Todd McIntyre, Derrick Neeley, Andrew Grant, John Toebes, Mike Marshall, Pete Turkosz, Lance Alton, Todd Cook.

Lowville tourney

Oakville, Acton, Burlington, Streetsville, Lowville and Palerme will be among the eight teams taking part in the Lowville

football tournament Saturday. The first game gets underway at 11 a.m. and the championship contest takes place at 8.30 p.m.

Orangeville Raceway

- THURSDAY, August 24, 1972**
POST TIME 8:00 P.M.
- FIRST RACE—1 mile pace—\$350**
3 KEHO—S. Henderson
4 DUNDALK RIDDELL—N. Bayne
5 ROMAN GABRIEL—C. Lawson
6 Sterling Bomber—E. Butler
7 Lila Capri—W. Wilson
8 Becky Monroe—O. Annerud
9 Miss Jean Derby—M. Schaeffer
10 Nan's Comet—L. Tolhurst
AE—Nashinobi Chief—W. Troy
- SECOND RACE—1 mile trot—\$450**
3 BAR DAY—N. Cochrane
4 AT—C. Pollard
5 BLAZE AGAIN—J. Pollard
1 Speedy Flo
2 Cindy A. Margaret—T. MacKenzie
3 Dear Worthing—W. Troy
4 Who Lillmar—T. Wilson
5 Arawana Avanti—R. Given
AE—Famous Earl—No Rider
- THIRD RACE—1 mile pace—\$350**
3 COLLINGWOOD DUKE—C. Lockhart
6 SOAP STONE—A. Nickle
7 GRAND BYRD—R. Rossi
1 Pat G.—J. Woodland
2 Mr. S. Attorney—J. McClure
3 Zing C. Song—D. Brenner
4 Miss Gels—C. Lawson
5 Lenawee Time—A. Avery
AE—Golden Harvest—E. Langen
- FOURTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$400**
2 KEITH—J. Hayes Jr.
3 MAMIE'S DREAM—W. Troy
1 JACKY PARKER—J. Geisel Jr.
4 Miss James Mac—G. Wain
3 Overdue Lou—J. Thompson
4 Rene Rick—G. Wain
6 Wee Chelle—C. Lockhart
- FIFTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$400**
2 THE LITTLE KID—A. Rogers
3 KEY AGENT—R. Harper
6 SCOTT'S DOMINION—L. Tolhurst
1 Select Freight—W. Troy
3 Rannymede Deacon—H. Stead
4 Dick Ringo—C. Bennett
7 Big Al—L. Dixon
8 Tar Gate—D. Dowsey
- SIXTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$450**
1 ONLOOKER—C. Lawson
7 MADAM KWIK—J. Wray
8 BAE STATE JAN—R. Rossi
2 Zephyr Billy—L. Dixon
3 Repulse—R. Moffatt
4 Will Lor Cathy—A. Nickle
5 Steady Nelly—M. Schaeffer
6 Queen MacGregor—P. Kerr
- SEVENTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$400**
3 FRISCO CLEN—J. Wray
7 TEDDY DARES—H. Stead
6 TYPHOON YANKEE—J. Geisel Jr.
1 Indian Phyllis—P. Kerr
2 Mighty Maynard—C. Lawson
4 Ann Landers—G. Zirnig
5 Selsay Bay—W. Troy
- EIGHTH RACE—1 mile trot—\$1,200**
5 CELTIC SABER—A. Rogers
4 PROSECTOR DONLEDO—C. Lawson
3 CHESTER HARM ACE—L. Brown
1 Cye Demoo—R. Speller
- 2 Feather Mir—D. Llewelyn**
8 Kimberly Blue—R. Moffatt
7 Ricade—N. Cochrane
8 Night Blaze—G. Zirnig
- NINTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$1,200**
2 PAT P. PROLOGUE—M. Kerluke
5 ARMBRO LOUISE—C. Lawson
4 CHOCOLATE ECLAIR—J. Geisel Jr.
1 Ron Parker—J. Thompson
3 Sun Cruiser—P. Kerr
6 Rob Ron Ray—W. Troy
7 Sir Marvin—L. Tolhurst
- TENTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$350**
8 B. THOUGHTFUL—J. Geisel Jr.
2 CHARLEY'S PAPOOSE—H. Varcos
6 AVALANE—B. Richardson
2 Dazzle Dandy—R. Harper
3 Jaylin—O. Annerud
4 Harfrim's Ace—L. Brown
3 Watson E. Frisco—J. Duck
7 Worhy Flemington—R. Given
AE—Argyle Royal—W. Norris
- SUNDAY, August 27, 1972**
POST TIME 2:00 P.M.
- FIRST RACE—1 mile pace—\$350**
3 MISS SHELL—T. Onema
6 MISS GREEN GAIL—W. Mawson
8 MARY ANN TODD—J. Powell
1 Belle Gay Brenda—D. Goodale
2 Ellis McKinney—D. Shadlock
3 Dosit Easy—T. Longille
4 Jeannie Clay—G. Larush
7 Gratworthy—E. Shering
AE—Mel's Walter—T. Langille
- SECOND RACE—1 mile trot—\$450**
4 TOUCH STUFF—H. McLean
7 BELWOOD BOY—H. McLean
3 JOE STADT—R. Moreau
1 Demore's Milk Maid—J. Lee
2 Meadowbrook C.—B. Richardson
3 Claybrook Marie—B. Nickle
6 Charmante Winson—M. Herbert
8 Charmona—W. Norris
AE—Kelly Todd—C. Sheppard
- THIRD RACE—1 mile pace—\$500**
4 HUGH'S HAT—H. McLean
5 VICKY A. ADIOS—G. Feagan
2 MASTERPIECE—W. Sinton
1 Bosworth—G. Wain
3 Argyle Royal—W. Norris
8 Buster's Mabel—L. Dixon
6 Chrystal Bill—H. Stead
7 Camilla Adios—R. Colvin
- FOURTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$2,075**
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1 Frisky Wall—D. Wall
3 Atom—J. Lester
2 Norm's Boy—E. Hahn
6 Cary Lee—J. Flanagan
8 Carroll Davy—C. Lawson
- FIFTH RACE—1 mile pace—\$2,117**
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