



ACTON CURLING CLUB'S one game, ten-end bonspiel members competing. From left to right, are Austin Young, Dolores Jordan, Norma Robinson, and Dugald Dick, Boxing Day, saw curlers from outside the club as well as



measuring a rock. Laura Lovell keeps an eye on a rock coming her way as Lois McLean, of the Guelph Curling Club, and



Mel Jordan look on. Sweeping one home in the right hand photo are Lloyd McLachlan, of the Cookstown Curling Club, Mel Jordan and Lois McLean. —(Photos by J. Jennings)

Legion town league tallies

ATOM
Tim Ferguson scored seven goals and assisted on an eighth, as Brampton trounced Dixie 10-1. Paul Phalen added a pair of Brampton goals and Ken Kavanaugh counted a goal and three assists. Terry Nofall also earned an assist.

Tommy Shannon scored the Dixie goal on a pass from Ricky Dodds.

Jeff Sargent set up Scott McLaren for the first goal, then scored the final two himself, as Welland whitewashed Guelph 3-0.

A pair of goals by Mark Duval was all Weston needed to meek past St. Thomas 2-1. Ricky Smith was the lone St. Thomas marksman.

NOVICE
Jim Britton potted a pair of goals for Hamilton, as the Red Wings battled St. Kitts to a 3-3 draw. Wilson Coehne netted the other goal on a pass from Steve Hepburn.

Chris Hudson, Jim Griese and Mike Strong replied for St. Kitts.

First period goals by Martin Daley and Scott Finnamore stood up in a 2-1 Niagara Falls' win over London. Gary Lumbers and Paul Campbell earned assists for the Flyers. Frank Geng scored an unassisted goal for London.

PEEWEE

A hat trick by Nick Humeniuk sparked Tidewater to a 4-1 victory over Cleveland. Doray Mitchell also scored for Tidewater. Steve Trotter picked up a pair of assists and Ferguson notched one.

Allen Rob scored for Cleveland. Ron Guel fired a hat trick and Paul Bowen provided shutout goaltending, as Springfield blanked Rochester 5-0. Steve Tremills and Rick Widmont netted the other Kings' goals. Tom Ryan had two assists for the winners. Single helpers went to Widmont, Simon Wilson, Scott Ingles and Ralph Bowen.

Baltimore downed Richmond 6-2 on the strength of Dave Haverty's hat trick. John Thompson, Rusty Lee and Bill Waites rounded out the Clippers' scoring. Craig Sommerville picked up a pair of assists and Rick McNabb earned one.

Richmond goals were scored by Mike Nichols and Rob Duiker. Martin Oso earned an assist.

BANTAM
Scott Oakley's two goal two-assist effort helped Winnipeg dump Ottawa 4-1. Jamie Ellerby and Charles Griese also scored for the Jets. Ellerby, Kevin Hills and Mark Williamson earned assists.

Tom Haverty scored for Ottawa on a pass from Cliff Britton.

Seven different players shared in the scoring, as Quebec bombed Alberta 7-1. Ron Kulken, George Binden, Al Swanston, Ray Humeniuk, Jim Gentles, Randy Upton and Steve Dalgle were the marksmen. Kulken and Upton also picked up two assists apiece. Binden, Gentles, Calvin Wyga and Gary Pickles had one each.

Carl Gidden scored for Alberta with Gary Campbell assisting.



THE FIRST SHIFT YBC Bantams Christmas turkey roll Saturday morning saw Debbie James, Lynda Knight, Steven MacDonald, Renate Voskamp, Gary Archibald, and Bert Post have the highest double scores with handicap on their teams. YBC Supervisor Sylvia Mages, and friend handed out the gobblers.



Let's Play Bridge

by Bill Coats

The other night I was teaching a class of bridge students about overcalling. I was asked "Do you ever pass holding a hand worth an opening bid?" My answer was yes - many times. Once the opponents open the bidding, the whole picture changes. Bids must take on entirely different meanings and bids are made for different reasons.

It seems however, that some more experienced bridge players should learn a lesson as well. Here is a hand from the Acton Bridge Club where no pair could resist bidding just because he held an opening bid.

East dealt with both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S-K 4
H-K Q 9
D-A J 7 3
C-Q J 8 7

WEST
S-9 6 3
H-A 7 3 2
D-4 5 2
C-9 5 2

EAST
S-A J 8 5 2
H-S 4
D-K Q 9
C-A K 8

SOUTH
S-Q 10 7
H-L 10 8 6
D-10 6 4
C-10 4 3

The bidding:
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
1 N.T. Pass Pass 2 N.T.
Pass Pass Dble Pass
Pass 3 H Dble All Pass

Opening lead - eight of diamonds.

Couldn't resist

It seems that no North would resist bidding. Everyone re-entered the bidding. Now I admit that I hate to pass with sixteen high card points. In this case, however, it is the only reasonable thing to do. North is sitting under East. That is, East's high cards. If you interchange the North and South hands, then this hand is worth a double.

In fact one North did double and South took the bid out to two hearts. This was down one, which is better than down two at two no trump. The best North-South

result would be to let East struggle at one no trump. He just might make the hand but it will be close.

No chance
In the actual contract of three hearts doubled, declarer really had no chance. The hand is a no trump hand. The diamond ace was taken at trick one and a spade was led. East won and simply cashed his winner. With East winning five tricks and West taking the heart ace, declarer was down two.

Rather expensive for the privilege of bidding on a 16 point hand.

\$1 Per pound
The average North American automobile weighs close to 4,000 pounds, which means that most of them cost less than \$1 a lb., says the Ontario Safety League.

Four hurt in car-taxi crash

Four Milton and area residents were injured Sunday afternoon when a car and a taxi collided almost head-on, on the Esquesing-Nassagaweya Town Line near 16 Sideroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Currie of 85 Bronie St. Milton were treated for facial and head cuts. Anne Coleman of 212 Main St., Milton, driver of the taxi, also suffered face cuts and a passenger in the taxi, Florence McIsaac of Esquesing suffered a fractured jaw.

Milton OPP investigated and report both vehicles were badly damaged.

Welcome

REV. D. LOWRY

Members of Campbellville's St. David's Presbyterian Church and the Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church have a new minister who is somewhat of a world traveller.

Rev. Douglas Lowry, formerly of Toronto, has taken over the ministerial duties formerly held by Rev. David Nicholson.

Mr. Lowry, his wife Margaret and their two children Kevin, 6, and Sharron, 4, moved into the St. David's Manse last week.

At 34 years of age, Mr. Lowry has a wealth of experience conducting summer and assistant pastorates and operating missions and schools in Africa and the Caribbean.

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Bants come close

Acton Firefighter bantams came up with their best effort of the season, although they bowed 3-1 to Kitchener Friday night. Firefighters had two goals called back by the referee and Steve Buchanan failed to score on three breakaways. Joe Gardin netted the Acton goal with Buchanan and B.J. Legate assisting. Saturday afternoon against the first place Elora team, Firefighters had themselves a 1-1 tie, until Rodgers scored for the visitors in the third period. John McCutcheon wiped out a 1-0 Elora lead when he scored with help from Buchanan and Gardin in the second period.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

May laughter light your way, may your dreams come true and may health and happiness shine on you and your loved ones in the New Year.

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Acton resident in sweep

An Acton resident is one of 52 Canadians holding tickets on the 15 entries in the Sweep Hurdle of the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes being run today (Wednesday) in Leopardstown, Ireland, near Dublin.

The unknown ticket holder, who signed his name Bill Reno, was drawn last Wednesday beside True Luck, a horse rated seventh at 20 to one odds. The local resident is one of

three Canadians with tickets on True Luck.

Three Canadians hold tickets on the heavily favoured entry Bula with four to five odds but in Sweep Hurdle racing luck plays the greatest part.

Top prize in the race is \$50,000 which is worth about \$116,500. Second prize of \$20,000 is equivalent to \$46,500 and the third prize of \$10,000 is worth \$23,000 in Canadian funds.

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