

# McKenzie rink wins Halton-Peel spiel

## Notes and Quotes

from the world of sport

by Denis Gibbons



Organization in the Waterloo-Wellington Minor Hockey league has improved immensely this season.

One happy result for Acton teams is the adequate length of time all will have to complete their first round OMHA playoff series against New Hamburg.

Unlike last season when games were scheduled past the first week of February, the W-W executive wisely drew up a reduced schedule, leaving the week between Christmas and New Year's open for rescheduled games.

A-B novices and New Hamburg have until February 25 to declare a winner to meet either Hagersville or Waterloo. March 4 is the deadline for the juvenile series between the local Lions and the 'burg juves. Winner of that set goes against Niagara-on-the-Lake. The Y's Men's peewee, Firefighter bantam and CFAW midget clubs take on New Hamburg in series to be completed by February 18. Survivors advance to the second round against the Niagara district champs, Beamsville, Merrilton or Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Ancaster and Caledonia, two "B" category powerhouses do not appear on this year's draw sheet and were presumably elevated to the "A" series.

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Bradford Vasey's and the Fergus "Green Machine" drew 1600 fans to the Bradford arena for their first place battle last Wednesday night. Over 600 watched the return game in Fergus Sunday afternoon. Vaseys won 7-3 at home, but lost 7-4 in Fergus, leaving the teams still a point apart.

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Ex-novice manager Murray Scøyne promises the novice, peewee and bantam teams will get a real test, when they travel to Ridgeway to play exhibition games Friday night. Ridgeway teams played here last year.

Son Gary is a member of this year's Ridgeway novice team, which won the "C" division championship at the Silver Slick tournament in Forest over the Christmas holidays. Murray is now publisher of the Ridgeway Dominion.

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"Day of Champions" for the Legion Minor Hockey house leagues is scheduled for the community centre, Saturday, March 31. Championship games in all age groups will be played on the same day for the first time this year. The special event is being introduced partially as a replacement for closing banquets the Legion has been staging annually for the rapidly growing leagues. Players on all teams will be treated to hot dogs and soft drinks.

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Coach Bill Dawkins refuses to abandon hope, although his Sabres have now lost seven straight games and slipped back to sixth place.

"We may use a few midgets and juveniles alternately for the rest of the season," Bill says. "We've only averaged three goals a game and that's not enough for this league."

If history repeats itself this Sunday, the Sabre losing streak could come to an end. The last time Alliston Hornets visited the community centre, Sabres bounced back from a 4-0 deficit to win 5-4 in the final period.

## Peewees gain momentum as playoffs approach

Acton Y's Men's peewees warmed up for the OMHA playoffs by posting identical 3-1 victories over Elmira and New Hamburg on the weekend.

Shane Withers, Bill Manes and Jeff Shields scored in the win over Elmira here Saturday afternoon. Randy Van Fleet, Dave McGilloway, Bert Post and Steve Van Der Eyken earned assists.

Elmira had beaten Acton on two previous occasions this year.

**Dwarfs dent twine**  
The "nickel and dime" (they're small but effective) line of Scott

Malcolm, Dave McGilloway and Wade Vickery shone offensively in Sunday night's game in New Hamburg. Each player scored a goal. McGilloway, Malcolm and Peter Muselius picked up assists.

"We're starting to pick up momentum now. Our lines are settled down," coach Barry Insove said.

The coach was high in praise of the defensive work of goalie Gary Medland and his blueline brigade of Peter Muselius, George Brown, Bill Manes, Randy Van Fleet and Bruce McPhail.



THE MILTON OLDTIMERS are getting in practice these days, to take on the NHL Oldtimers in a retarded children's benefit game at Milton Arena on March 16. The stars of Milton teams from yesteryear may be a little older, but they still do pretty well on skates. Russ Hunt, Gordie Cruickshank, Sonny Townsley and Joe McCann are pictured in action during a Sunday practice. (Photo by J. Dills)

An Orangeville rink skipped by Mel McKenzie captured the handsome Kennedy Ford trophy as first event winners in the annual Halton-Peel bonspiel, which wound up at the Acton Curling Club Saturday night.

Skip McKenzie came through with the pressure on with his final rock to nip the Oakville rink of Don Layfield 6-5. Other members of the McKenzie rink are vice-skip Terry Holtom, second Bill Hutchinson and lead Jim Perryman.

Prizes were awarded to all event winners at a dinner following the final match. Club

president Ted Tyler Jr. welcomed curlers from three counties and Bob Drinkwater was M.C. for the presentations. Second event winner was the Oakville rink of Bud Pattison. Ken Moore's Milton rink took the third event and John Johnson's quartet from Brampton the fourth event.

Winners of each event advance to the Bonspiel of Champions at the K-W Granite Club this weekend.

A total of 80 rinks started off in the week-long bonspiel. Games were played at nine different rinks in Halton, Peel and Dufferin counties.

## First place battle upcoming in AIHL

Nielsen's Clothing and Blow Press will meet Sunday night in a battle for first place in the Acton industrial hockey league.

Blow Press tied the clothiers for top spot by outscoring Lakeview Centre 10-8 Sunday night. Meanwhile, Nielsen's had to score twice in the third period to gain a 5-5 tie with Heller's. Ken's Auto and Unknowns also played to a 5-5 tie in the other game.

**Effort nullified**

A five goal effort by newcomer Lloyd "Joey" Smallwood of the Lakeview team was almost nullified singlehandedly by pressman John Goy, who fired four goals, three of them in less than three minutes.

Dave Papillon added a hat trick to the Blow Press totals. Single goals went to Jim McDonald, Cyril Rees and Butch Rees. Dave

Garrett, Steve Goy and Gary Ritchie rounded out the Lakeview scoring.

Steve Garrett's third goal of the night at 18:32 of the final frame was the tying marker for Nielsen's. John Roberts and Ron Meillon also scored.

Ed Hiller fired a hat trick and Bill Cook and Dave Ryder added singles for the leatherworkers.

**Point blast**

Defenceman Phil Marzo blasted home a shot from the point with Unknowns short-handed late in the third period of the first game. Gary Kelley and Dan Kavanaugh with two goals apiece and Bob Andrews with four assists also shone offensively for Ken's Auto.

Five players, Cecil Stuckless, John Kavanaugh, Dave Sproston, Eric Stone and Denis Gibbons shared the Unknowns' goals.



CLIMAX OF AN exciting week of curling in the Kennedy Ford Halton-Peel bonspiel came at the Acton Curling Club Saturday night, when Mel McKenzie, skip of the victorious Orangeville rink hit and rolled for two with his last rock to gain a 6-5 win over Don Layfield's Oakville rink. Second Bill Hutchinson and lead Jim Perryman followed the rock down, as vice-skip Terry Holtom watched closely. (D. Gibbons photo)

Members of the AMBA working executive include Arnold Rosenburg, Dave Allan, Don Ford, Nelson Hepburn, Fred Buchanan, Lorne Walters, Jim Robison, Mike Moore, John Upton, Mrs. J. Upton, Gary DeBruyn, Glen Jackson, Ed Wood, Bill Campbell, Wes Jones, Mel Sheppard, Bruce McArthur, George Fitzer, Harold Speaker, Elmer White, Harold Deforest, Wayne Deforest, Larry Taillefer, Russ Matthews, Tom Bousfield, June (Busfield) Roy Swan, Mrs. H. Swan, Jim Ismond, Mrs. J. Ismond, Verna McEachern, Bill Shannon, Harold "Pop" Main, Walter Kowal, Clarence Harding, Harry Lawson, Mrs. Harry Lawson, Harry Lawson Jr., Jim Mitchell, Mrs. J. Mitchell, Jack Tatton and Mrs. G. Fitzer.

## Accept Acton entries in HCBA "B" loop

Acton peewee, bantam and midget teams were accepted into the Halton County Baseball Association "B" league once again for the 1973 season at the HCBA annual meeting in Milton Sunday. Acton may also enter a juvenile team.

The "B" league operated for the first time last summer with five midget teams, four bantam squads and three peewee clubs.

**Pres. pleased**

Newly-elected Acton Minor Baseball Association president Jim Ismond is looking forward to a fine season for Acton teams and is pleased with the response Acton area baseballers have shown at off-season meetings.

## Robert Little

tops Fairview

Robert Little school boys' basketball team defeated Fairview of Burlington 17-8 in their first North Halton league game last week.

Matt Spehar scored 10 of the 14 points. Brian Larsen hooped five and Delphin Roach two.

The RL cagers went undefeated in four pre-season exhibition games.

James Kavanaugh is coaching the team, which also includes Rick Van Fleet, Marvin McNabb, Dan Webster, Jim Matthews, Scott Withers, Tim Taylor, John Nesset, Paul Bowen and Scott Oakley.

## Nassagaweya Council Briefs

During their inaugural meeting on Monday, members of Nassagaweya Township Council:

—Set the interim tax levy at 34 mills (up two from last year) and set the due dates at Feb. 28 and April 30.

—Agreed to draft a resolution to the Task Force on Policing, complaining that the OPP which patrol the township cannot enforce township by-laws.

—Discussed the possibility of an official opening for the new township garage this spring.



JIM ISMOND  
Minor ball president



A. B. HELLER  
Formerly of McArthur - Walkwell Shoes

## ANNOUNCES

That he has opened his own store in downtown Guelph, below the Square.

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FIRST EVENT winner in the Kennedy Ford Halton-Peel bonspiel was the Orangeville rink skipped by Mel McKenzie. Shown with the handsome championship trophy are front row skip Mel McKenzie and second Bill Hutchinson. Back row l. to r., vice-skip Terry Holtom, Kennedy Ford representative George Stockfish and lead Jim Perryman. (D. Gibbons photo)

## 4th ANNUAL Y's MEN'S SNOWMOBILE WEEKEND RALLY

**Sat. Feb. 3**  
CROSS COUNTRY RACE  
Starts 1 p.m.  
\$4.00 Entry Fee  
Entries from 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.  
TROPHIES AND PRIZE MONEY

**Sun. Feb. 4**  
OVAL TRACK RACING  
ENTRIES 11 A.M. TO 12.45 P.M.  
17 races to M.A.S.R.A. rules  
\$4.00 per race entry fee  
—races on Fairy Lake  
TROPHIES AND PRIZE MONEY

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Y's MEN'S SNOWMOBILE STOMP

Sat. Feb. 3

Bar and Buffet

At the

ACTON BAND HALL

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9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

(casual dress)

MUSIC BY ACTON'S OWN

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\$6.00 per couple

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