

Sabre executive files intermediate request

The Sabre executive said they don't have the manpower to assist the intermediate team forming in Acton, but all agreed that they would like to see the club in action this year. The intermediate team was the foremost topic for discussion at a Sabre executive meeting at Acton Public Library Thursday.

Acton atoms win Halton Rural title

Acton atoms captured the title of the Halton Rural Softball Association by defeating Glen Williams two straight in a double-header, Monday.

In the first game the atoms edged the Glen 10-9 and in the second drubbed them 4-0.

In the first contest Acton took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first with runs from Rhys Gibb and Chris Hahn.

The win was garnered in the final inning, as atoms rallied for five runs. Gibb, Hahn,

representing the intermediate club at the meeting was organizer Fred Buchanan.

Paul, Paul Cargill, and Ted Lambay made the tallies.

In the second game, which Acton grabbed 4-0, a pair in the opener from Gibb and Ian Paul's home run opened scoring. Another pair in the final by Bruce Haine and Hahn closed the play.

Players on the championship club are Rhys Gibb, Chris Hahn, Ian Paul, Bruce Haine, Bruce Cunary, Paul Cargill, Steve Haine, Alton Higgins, Shane Steves, Scott Hubbard, Danny Wood and Eddie Wilson.

Two new teams face Sabres in '75

Two new teams will play the Sabres this year in the Central Ontario Junior "C" division of the OHA, as Meaford and Orangeville throw their helmets into the ring.

Huntsville and Bracebridge, two of the northern teams that had played in the Junior "C" ring are moving to a Junior "C" northern league. The present eight teams are Acton Sabres, Fergus Green Machine, Bradford Junior Vaseys, Alliston Hornets, Stayner Siskins, Schomberg Cougars, Meaford and Orangeville.

The schedule will be increased to 32 games over the 30 games played last season.

Social card and birth certificate

Children going to register for minor hockey teams this year will have to present a birth certificate and a social insurance number, if they want to play in line with Ontario Minor Hockey Association's new rulings.

The issue of numbers to children down to the novice age is the first step in the government's attempt to have all children given social insurance numbers at birth.

Also at registration, parents are reminded that an equipment exchange will be operated. Children, who have out-grown their equipment can purchase used equipment and sell the other. Parents are asked to tag each piece of equipment with their name and their asking price. Frank Allsup will be operating the exchange at the Community Centre on registration days September 27 and October 4.

New pro for club

Registration for membership in the Acton Figure Skating Club will be held at the arena on Sat., Sept. 6 and Sat., Sept. 13 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The season will begin around mid-October and will end with the annual carnival on Sat., April 3.

The club provides recreation and enjoyment plus an opportunity to learn and improve skating skills. Group lessons are held during pre-school, Junior and Intermediate sessions. Private lessons may be arranged with the instructors.

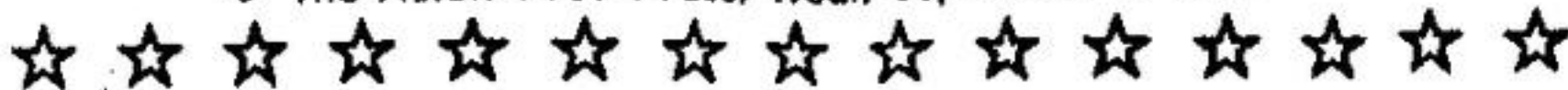
Miss Pat Cranker of Mississauga will be the full-time professional and Mrs. Sally Leatherland and Mrs. Sharon Dwyer will return on a part-time basis, to work with the Intermediates and Seniors.

A full program of NFSA badges and CPFA skating tests will be provided.



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Sabres start training before ice time begins

Acton's Sabres have undergone two training sessions in preparation for the preseason ice training for the coming season. Yesterday (Tuesday) they utilized Lion's pool and the week before they engaged in a rigorous dry land training session.

A total of 16 players attended the dry land session a week ago, which Sabres officials noted as encouraging. Most were from out-of-town. Coach Craig Weldon and executive Gary Saul put the players through various exercises ranging from 30 yard sprints into piggyback to climbing the tire contraption at the creative playground.

Some of the players were found to be in excellent condition, while others found they weren't in as good shape as they may have thought.

The dry land sessions can only help and the team urges all potential players to participate, as they value ice time beyond the point of conditioning.

Manager Bill Campbell pointed out that the picking of players for this year's team from an ice practice often depends on who is in the best shape and on occasion a potentially better player is cut simply because the person chosen is showing more and is in better condition at that stage.

Attending the first sessions from last year's Sabre lineup were Robin Insoe, Itay Dun-

har, Rick Bonnette, Charlie McTee and Ed Lange. From the 1974 juveniles were Chris Tennant, "Moochie" Holmes, and Don Richards, Jamie Vickery from the midgets and Lee Young, a '74 Sabre.

Three young men from the Caledon midgets, who went to the all-Ontario finals last year, Murray Wilson, Alan Eaglesham, and Alf Behrens are working out for this year's team attending training sessions along with Mike Ferguson of Rockwood, and Jeff Borcham of Arkell.

Bill McGilloway was reported to be in excellent condition, as he has been training all summer for the Guelph "Biltmores" "A" camp. McGilloway was one of the better trained players at this dry land session for the Sabres.

On the ice training sessions will begin September 14 at Georgetown and will operate from eight to 9 p.m.



ACTON SABRES engaged in another workout at Lions' pool following dry land training. This is the first year the team trained off the ice first. Sabres will begin ice workouts in Georgetown.

Brookville girls lose regular season remains

Shirley Thomson's Brookville Selects were edged from the Provincial Women's Softball Union playdowns after their second loss in the best of three final games to Cobourg in Brookville Friday.

The Friday contest saw an error in the ninth which led to the 4-3 Cobourg win. The Selects won their last game, another squeaker 2-1 over

Cobourg, but lost the first contest 8-4 last Tuesday.

The girls are playing good ball, but the hitting is down, said coach Thomson. She said that the girls still have the league playdowns and schedule games to play.

The league playdowns will be held in a one day tournament with the top four teams in the league, Oakville, Burlington, Kitchener and Brantford.

Sportorial

Ram manager Howard Dwyer insists that he is retiring, but told the Free Press sports department that nobody believes him. Dwyer said it was about time that somebody learned to do the job, as there are enough former players who could do it.

He is not giving up lacrosse, certainly not. Dwyer has been around the game too long to do that. In fact, Dwyer was at four games over the past week. The point of his retirement is that he would like to attend games when he wants to and be able to relax and watch the play.

The paper work gets him down, he said. He criticized the bureaucracy that is taking over the OLA.

Dwyer and Alan Hall were responsible for the formation of the Acton Rams and the return of minor lacrosse to town. The pair were awarded the Charlie Thompson Memorial Plaque for outstanding contributions to recreation in Acton by Mayor Les Duby on November 5, 1972. They were the first recipients of the award.

They first had a hand in the forming of a juvenile lacrosse team here in 1968. The team enjoyed minimal success, but blossomed into a real contender, placing second in the six team league.

In 1970 Dwyer and Hall formed the Junior "C" club and used the moniker utilised by Acton's previous boxla club. Although overmatched in the Junior "B" league, Rams quickly became the cause for area boxla fans.

He retired as president of the club a year after Rams won the Blair Cup in 1971.

Intermediates move to organize selves

When the Sabre executive recently put off a proposal by the intermediate club, the proposed Acton Swords, to be taken over and have the Sabre executive run both teams, the intermediates decided to go ahead with the organizing of the club for this year.

Spokesman for the Swords, Fred Buchanan, said they are going to reconsider the issue at their next executive meeting in January when they have more time to deal with the matter. Sabres' executive said they would be pleased if the Swords went ahead and began operations this year.

Mr. Buchanan said that one can't expect them to take over operations of the club in two minutes notice. He said that it will simply mean "a little more work with a few more people." The Swords are now looking for a sponsor and for people to lend a hand in the running of the club. Players haven't been called yet, but those interested are to be ready when the time comes.

The OHA has four teams in the close driving area which to date is the Intermediate "C" homebrew league consisting of Fergus, Alliston, Harriston and Acton.

Limehouse finals

Limehouse bantam boys advanced to the ORSA Bantam "C" finals by eliminating Fisherville in two straight games last week.

Brian Moore and Brad DeForest combined to pitch Limehouse to an 11-9 victory in the series clincher played by Acton park Thursday night.

Steve Campbell paced Limehouse hitters at the plate with a perfect five for five performance. Brian Moore had three hits in three at bats and Joe Scott walloped the only home run of the game. F. Roth and D. Schaeffer both hit safely four times in five trips to the plate for Fisherville.



Sport shorts

Frank Houston has already begun training for cross country with a few fellow runners this past week, as they paced through eight miles of mud and bush around Centennial Stadium in Etobicoke. Houston is leaving for the University of Western Ontario shortly. He'll be actively participating in the running game there.

Acton Sabres have opened training camp under coach Craig Weldon. Weldon has run the Sabres through a European style camp, utilizing dry land training and the Lion's Pool. Pool swimming will be useful in building up the oxygen intake of the players. Also in the training of this year's Sabres, coach Weldon has requested the services of Dennis Gibbons. Gibbons has attended hockey seminars in the Soviet Union and in Europe as an observer through a program offered by Loyola University of Montreal.

At the request of the Ontario Lacrosse Association, Ron McKnight was announcer at the OLA Junior "C" tournament at the Ontario Games in London over the weekend. Mississauga, winning team of the Central league in which Rams played, won the championship over Point Edward of the west division 10-5. Cornwall and Wallaceburg were the other two teams.

Intermediate "C" homebrew, Acton Swords are now looking for people interested in organizing and managing the club. Until Sabre executives get time to discuss taking the new club under their wing. If the homebrews want to operate, they will have to prove they can handle the task of running themselves before they have Sabres do the work for them. The way things stand now, they'll have the best of both worlds. They will operate independently until the Sabre executive has finished its business and then the two will get together over the table.

Men's recreational softball game was called Sunday evening after 1 1/2 innings with the score tied at 5-5. They will try to make up the lost second game of the finals Thursday. Monday evening the ground and field was deemed too wet for play.

Acton Chicks will take on the Rams this Sunday afternoon at the community centre. The girls will be aided in net by Gary Turkosz and Doug Taylor of the Rams will be playing on the floor.

Retired Ram manager, Howard Dwyer, recalled one contest with the Chicks in 1973 when he scored the winning goal after being hit by Ann Luty. After the hit he hung up his lacrosse sticks, and was off his feet for a couple of days.

Playing for the Chicks are Marueen Gerth, Joanne Berry, Joanne Ancker, Gail, Donna and Kathy McClure, Joyce Denny, Susan Sommerville, Beverly Gray, Brenda Bigelow, Joanne DeShates, Colleen and Debbie Spielvogel and Della Gaskill.

The game gets underway at 1:30.

Rockwood ball teams well into playdowns

Eramosa 16 and under girls beat Hillsburg out of the semi-final Tri-County playdowns 2-6 Friday in Hillsburg. Eramosa won the first game 14-12 and now advances to the finals against Brookville 16 and under girls for the finals. The first game is scheduled for Monday in Brookville.

Hillsburg peewees beat Eramosa peewees out of the playoffs Wednesday in Hillsburg.

Eramosa atoms have

received a bye into the finals of their Tri-county championships. The juveniles beat out Lowville to take the semi-finals of their division and await the winner of the Hornby-Aberfoyle series to continue into the finals.

Rockwood seniors have to make up five rained out games before the end of the season. They won the Eden Mills tournament a week ago and are presently in third place in the Intercounty Fastball League.

Inscoe-Shannon win Kevin Hall tourney

Judy Shannon and Barry Inscoe took top honors with a net score of 54 in the third annual Kevin Hall Memorial Golf Tournament. The 18 hole tournament was closely contested, as Ilsa McDonald and Ken Fryer placed second with a net score of 57 and a three-way tie was made for third place.

The three tying third place teams were Cy and Joan Collins, Mary Ranney and Fred Darbv, and Karen Collins and Keith Ranney.

This year's tournament was to be played on August 4, but inclement weather forced a postponement to Sunday.

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