

# Eden Mills takes crown in Eramosa-Puslinch

Thursday night the Eden Mills seniors pulled off another three game streak after being down two games in a best of five series to win the Eramosa-Puslinch senior men's softball championships.

The Mills boys defeated Badenoch 7-3 for the win and winning pitcher was Bill Robinson, who hurled until the closing minutes of the final inning. Tom Roccola nailed two hits, Robinson tabbed three and Inglis garnered two hits.

In the fifth inning Eden Mills grabbed the win by crossing the plate six times from four hits and three Badenoch errors.

Tension built at the bottom of the ninth as Badenoch staked the bases and Jim Barden took over the hurling job from Robinson. Barden struck out a swinger and the third out was thrown out at home plate.

The Eden Mills seniors en-

joyed a good year and in the semi-finals came back after being down two games to Froese's Trucking of Guelph.

In the O.R.S.A. finals, Intermediate "B" classification, they lost out to New Dundee by a single run.

# Minor ball executive

Acton minor baseball executive was recently elected at a meeting at the Acton Library. Bob Paul was elected president of the association, Harold Main (Pop) vice-president, Vera McEachern secretary, and Glen Jackson treasurer. The executive will take on duties for the remainder of this year and organize ball for the '76 season.

The league banquet will be held October 17 at Holy Cross Church in Georgetown.

# Hunters ready

Canada geese, snow geese, blue geese and ducks will be causing much excitement on the tidal flats that surround James Bay.

Some hunters book one year ahead for a reservation in their favorite cove.



**IT WUZ NUTHIN'.** Four year old Christopher Lindsay of Tidey Avenue walked four miles Saturday in the Lion's Olympathon at Prospect Park. A small turnout for the Lion's day to raise funds for Canada's Olympic Athletes.

# Industrial league opens this Sunday

Acton Industrial Hockey League will commence its schedule this Sunday evening at 8:15 p.m. at the Stator Hotel in the first of three games beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Ed Hillier, organizer of the League, is captain of Van's Welding and has Gerry Van Der Eyken, Fred Buchanan, Dave McLane, Bill Lee, Cyril Bass, Floyd Hillier, Bill Fabian, Bruce Cooksley, Paul Murphy and Dave Allen as his crew.

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# Minor hockey officials here adopt a uniform system

Acton minor hockey officials, coaches and team managers have come up with a program which will undoubtedly produce better hockey players here and put a halt to confusing the kids.

A three tier program will divide the divisions into learning classes which will instruct the players as to tactics and strategy of the Acton system. The instruction will be uniform and will aid the players in games by having systems they will eventually learn to the point of reflex reaction.

The three groups, junior, intermediate and senior will house the following teams. In the junior group will be novice, atom and minor atom

players, in the intermediate will be minor peewees, peewees and minor bantams, and in the senior group will be bantams, midgets and juveniles.

Each group will hold one practice session monthly, starting in November. When the group meets on the ice, the coach of the team whose ice time is being used for the session will be deemed head coach for the session.

Hockey student, Denis Gibbons feels "the emphasis for boys under age 12 should be put on the teaching of skills and not necessarily on team tactics, since it's only possible for boys at that age to grasp so much knowledge at a time."

"In the Soviet Union, for example, team tactics are first taught with one degree of regularity, at age 12," Gibbons said.

The advantage is that the players will absorb a system and will not have to coach to coach as the boys moves through the league.

Noel Weir, president of the minor hockey association here said the club is usually mixed up for four months and when he gets the team together down, he moves to another division because of his age. That is why basic defensive and offensive strategies will be made uniform throughout the system and taught to the three groups.



**STRENGTH AND KICK.** Netminders working out at the Sabres practice in preparation for Friday night's opening exhibition game against Alliston Hornets. In three days will be made from the team till after the play Friday. Alliston finished seventh Sabres in the final standings last year, but Sabres have lost a lot of experience over the summer months. 10 players to coverage and two to the Georgetown Gemini's.

# Sportorial

As Sabres open their exhibition schedule here Friday evening, it will be interesting to watch rookie coach Craig Weldon and the Sabre executive assimilate from the remaining prospects. With 10 experienced Sabres lost to overage and two to the Georgetown Gemini's, there yet remains a nucleus, surprisingly, on which to build a team.

The majority of the players working under Weldon are young and full of spirit. However, they have a tough road ahead if they have designs on the "C" title.

If dryland training is any indication of the team's strength, they can afford to be optimistic about their future. This is the first year any Acton team has engaged in an extensive dryland program. Weldon is taking advantage of the local talent and is employing European and Soviet exercises in the dryland program. It can only help the young club.

Friday night the Sabres will host the Alliston Hornets in the opening game of the exhibition schedule, and their last workout before the contest is tonight, (Wednesday). The workouts are certainly "no social session" as coach Weldon puts it, yelling above the grunts, groans and heavy breathing, players engage in stomach and groin muscle exercises, sprawled in cold, dark Prospect Park over the ground.

Before each exercise, coach Weldon demonstrates and explains to the players the purpose of each routine and what it will do before he has them do it.

Someone from the arena steps, yells something they think is smart, but the players pay no attention and continue to concentrate on their work. The members talk as a team while working out, although some of the utterances are not for the fragile ears. The players are building unity and having "fun".

"Around the barrels" yells Weldon and off they go in a jog. "Around the first barrel and break hard", and the players respond with gusto and enthusiasm. After three minutes they're starting to tire, Weldon encourages them on, and they keep moving. "Don't defeat yourself in your head," Weldon yells, and the team moves on.

# Camera Club

Milton camera enthusiasts will have a chance to get together and compare techniques when a new camera club is formed next week.

# Acton tennis results from club tournament

The final round of the Acton Tennis club tournament was wound up Sunday at the courts behind the community centre, weather permitting members participating to wear their whites and sunglasses.

In this weekend's matches, Sue Bullock volleyed her way to win the Sr. Women's singles and Bernie Kovacs garnered the Sr. Men's singles title.

Karen Bollert won the jun-

ior women's singles and Mar. Morris the junior men's singles.

In the doubles, Stella Bramelle and John Collier won the mixed doubles. In the previous weekend's play, Christine Steer and Stella Bramelle nabbed the women's doubles and the men's doubles were grabbed by Bernie Kovacs and Don Lindsay.

The tennis club will wind up their year's activities with a dance on October 24.

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Young Gary Lumbers set a record for Acton soccer officials by booting nine goals of the 10 scored by Acton mosquitoes when they won the Halton-Peel Rural soccer championships a few weeks ago. Lumbers was also one of the tops in the scoring race.

Rink rats are jumping for joy as the ice went into Acton Community Centre this past weekend. Both Acton Swords and Sabres look advantage of the early facilities and held practices Monday evening. I was told, jokingly I think, that this is the earliest ice in Acton for 100 years. The credit goes to all the Acton sports groups, Figure Skating Association, Sabres, Legion Hockey and persistent pushing from arena manager, Harold Townsley on the Halton Hills Parks and Recreation department, to complete the new roof. The roof in the main reason the ice could be installed at this time of year.

Terry (Moochie) Holmes of the Acton juveniles has signed with the Sabres and will be in the October 10 lineup this Friday to take on the Alliston Hornets at the community centre. Speaking of signings, it was erroneously reported last week that Joe Gardin Jr. had signed with Sabres. Not so, Gardin has signed with the Milton Flyers.

Sabres executive will be holding a meeting Thursday and the team they ice next Wednesday will probably be it, the official lineup of the 1975-76 season. Photos and a full report of the team will grace the sports pages next week.

All-star tryouts, will be held this week. Yesterday, the seniors, bantams, midgets and juveniles had their workouts and this evening at 5 p.m. the atoms will hit the ice, minor peewees at 6:10 p.m. and minor bantams at 7:30 p.m. The next tryouts will be on Saturday beginning with the peewees at 8 a.m. Boys who wish to try out for the team must have first been registered with the minor hockey association here and 50 cents must be paid by each player for the ice time. The \$5

all-star fee will be collected only when the boy has made and signed with the team.

A new ruling by the O.M.H.A. is that all goaltenders playing under their jurisdiction must wear a helmet approved by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA).

HOUSE LEAGUE HOCKEY will commence on October 18. More details in sports shorts next week.

It was recommended to the minor hockey coaches and team managers that they form some sort of an association in which they can air their beefs and communicate on players and situations. Georgetown coaches and managers meet monthly and it was suggested by the executive that the Acton group follow suit.

It'll cost you more for less. Teams who don't show to play their scheduled games under the O.M.H.A. will be subject to a fine of \$30 this year instead of the \$20 fine handed down previously. The money goes to the sponsor club to pay for the referees who showed to officiate the game. Coaches and managers were told that they must give 48 hours notice minimum, if they plan to cancel or cannot make an engagement.

The annual banquet for Acton Meadows Golf Club members to close the year's activities will be November 8 at the club house west of Acton.

Rockwood seniors ball club were ushered from the Intercountry playdowns last Wednesday evening as they fell to Cambridge Sports 1-0 to give Cambridge the four games to three win for the championship title.

According to the GOLDEN HORSESHOE CIRCUIT weekend round-up, flawless races were turned in by "Leader Haw Leo", who won the first division in the third race with Ron Waples of Rockwood driving. The son of High Level, owned by Haw Leo Stud Farms, Marilyn Costin, John Rockwell, and A.W.E. Clark of Campbellville, was in front of the nine horse field at all calls, trotting the mile in 2:11 for his second win in eight starts.

# Brookville 16-under garner tri-county win

Brookville's 16 and under girls captured the tri-county softball championship by defeating Eramosa 7-1 in the fifth and deciding ball game, Sunday, September 28.

LaTr, Lori Dent, and Penny McMillan, followed by Laurie McDonald's double and home runs by Laurie Kennedy and Tammy Henderson.

Eramosa's Jackie Roche opened the scoring in the second inning with a home run but Brookville's Donna Dennis retaliated with a home run in the third inning.

Tammy Henderson's out standing pitching suppressed all efforts by Eramosa to enter any additional runs on the scoreboard. Brookville's batting power was unleashed in the fifth inning with singles by Donna Dennis, Margaret

Brookville finished their runs in the sixth inning with another home run by Donna Dennis and a double by Susan Davies.

Other members of the Brookville team who helped in the win were Lynn Christie, Cathy Glasgow and Cheryl Buchanan.

Brookville finished a fine season not only by winning the tri-county championship, but also the Glen Williams tournament and the Ontario Rural championship.

# THANKSGIVING OPENING SUNDAY AT MOHAWK

On Sunday, October 12, Mohawk Raceway opens its gates for the start of the exciting fall harness racing meet. Enjoy the thrill of ten big races from the comfortable, climate-controlled grandstand. There's harness racing every Friday through Tuesday night, including Sundays at Mohawk. It's the friendly country track just outside of town.

**Post time is 7:45.**

Join us for our Thanksgiving opening Sunday night. It's a great way to spend the long weekend.



# SENIOR CITIZENS NIGHT: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14



Tuesday is a very special night for some very special people at Mohawk Raceway. It's Senior Citizens Night with lots and lots of treats for the Golden Agers. Like free admission with proof of age, a free program, a free raceway journal, a free beverage at any refreshment booth, free parking for any senior driving, a special VIP seating section and a race named in their honour. And as a special treat, there's the good old time, toe tapping music of Vince Mountford, the "Dean of Fiddleville" and his group of fiddlers, guitarists and drummers. Vince will emcee the show at the grandstand and will be at the gate to greet all the seniors. Joining him will be Anna Redmond, the Ontario Step Dancing Champion from Shelburne. All this at Mohawk, October 14. Plus ten big races for everyone to enjoy.

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