

# Blow Press drops Station 6-5 to take championship in O/T

Blow Press skated its way to the Industrial Hockey League championship Sunday with a 6-5 overtime victory over Station Hotel.

little over a minute remaining, but was greeted with just as much enthusiasm by the champions to be.

third period, before Kavanagh punctured their hopes.

pressmen with an unassisted effort and Lyndon Thompson added another from Hillier to put Press out in front by a 4-1 count.

Station sliced the lead to 4-2 with Jim Hagggett's second period goal. Jim McDonald got the assist.

It was the second game in a row which Station led going into the final minutes, and the second time that the pressmen pulled it out of the fire. Last week, John Mason caused a 4-4 deadlock with his last second breakaway goal to start the overtime.

They took advantage of their opportunity by keeping up the pressure throughout the overtime period and it paid off when Sid Barends fed Bren Irwin the winner and set off an explosion of happiness on the pressmen's bench.

Blow Press opened the scoring when Pete Morrison took a Sid Barends pass and dropped it past Station goalie Dave Allen. They went up 2-0 on Mason's only marker of the game. Assists on the first period goal went to Barends and Morrison.

In the third period Station began making its bid for a comeback victory and the cup when Allan converted a pass from Gerry VanderEyken to close the gap to only a single goal.

Press finished the season in second position behind Van's Welding and eliminated Hellers in semi-final action to reach the finals. Station, who finished fourth in regular season play upset Vans in the semi's for their chance in the finals.

The tying goal was less dramatic this week, coming from John Kavanagh with a

Comeback This week it was Station's turn to come from behind, as they pulled from a 4-1 deficit to take the lead 5-4 late in the

Station got on the scoreboard in the second period when Wayne Allan pulled the trigger from Jim Hagggett and Jim McDonald. Ed Hillier came right back for the

Bill Field tied it all up from Mike McMahon and Bill Severinski and then, with

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PRESSMAN JOHN KAVANAUGH clears the puck in AIHL action Sunday as Mike McMahon shadows him. Press took the game in overtime to win the Industrial League championship.

# Acton hosts Centennial Tourney

## Glanbrook takes top spot, Orangeville consolation champ

by John Bottomley  
Glanbrook atoms took top honours at the third annual Acton Centennial Atom Tournament held this weekend at the arena, defeating Merriton 5-4 for the championship trophy. Orangeville were the consolation champs with a 5-2 win over Bay Ridges.

The Glanbrook squad had eliminated a determined Acton major team in the second round of play by a score of 1-0.

Acton had two teams entered, the major atoms and

the minor atoms, and both played extremely well. Each team won its opening round game but dropped tight decisions in the second.

Major atoms outlasted Streetsville on Friday to take a 3-2 decision in the first game of the tourney. Coach Dave MacEachern said after the game that "the boys played a superb game. They badly wanted to win, having been beaten by Streetsville 8-3 earlier this year."

David Milne had two goals in the first period to lead

Acton out to a 2-0 lead which they never relinquished. Ron VanItem and Steven Raine assisted on the first one and Ricky Dodds fed Milne for the second.

McKendry sharp Streetsville got the only marker of the second frame. Rob Zwicker catching Tim McKendry off guard for one of the very few times in the tourney. Goalie McKendry was sharp throughout the game, keeping the atoms on top with several fine saves.

"Tim McKendry was simply fantastic," said MacEachern.

Jim Richard nailed the winner when he converted a David McKnight pass early in the third frame. Streetsville managed one more point, when Guy Exley broke through for a marker.

Majors met Glanbrook in their next game, and pushed the eventual tourney champions to the limit before bowing 1-0. The defense held Glanbrook scoreless until there were only two and a half minutes remaining in the game when Glanbrook captain Steve Ranger took a pass from Doug Lindley and put it in the net for the winner to eliminate the majors.

The boys played hard both

games, and both games were rough by atoms' standards. The referees called 42 minutes of penalties, 22 of them against Acton, and were generous in not calling several more.

Minors Acton minor atoms were the first team on the ice Saturday morning in a match with Caledon that went to overtime before the minors were victorious.

High scoring Mike Hudson was responsible for both Acton goals, getting the tying marker with only one minute remaining in regulation play on a solo effort. Less than a minute into overtime he repeated, from Bruce Raine and Tony VanDam.

Hudson had to put up with a variety of illegal defensive techniques throughout the tourney as he was consistently slashed, held, tripped and otherwise impeded everytime he got the puck. "They should have had about three penalties for hauling him down," said coach Fred Buchanan. Teams usually double and triple cover Mike, because he is such a potent scoring threat for the minors. "He's hard to bring down. It takes two," commented Buchanan. It is a tribute to him that he did not



IT MAY LOOK LIKE A GOAL BUT IT ISN'T, as shot went wide of the net in Acton major atom game Saturday. The action occurred in the 3rd Annual Acton Centennial Atom tournament. Glanbrook, who went on to win the championship, edged Acton 1-0 in their game. Kevin McRae, David McKnight and Jim Richard apply the pressure for Acton, while Myron Krysko and David Reise protect goalie Paul Whidden.

respond in kind during the tourney.

Minors had to play a big, tough Elmira team in the afternoon, and manager Bob Faseruk said "that was the best game these guys have played for us all year." They held the Elmira squad to a 2-1 lead until late in the game, when the strain of playing two games in one day against older teams took its toll. "The minors just skated their legs out from under themselves," and according to Buchanan, "and that's the difference between a minor and a major team."

The boys showed good discipline during the game, sticking closely to the man-to-man coverage that had been agreed upon in the game plan.

Les Berry was the lone marksman for the minors, breaking through early in the opening frame on a pass from Hudson to tie the contest at one all. Elmira scored again in the second period, but the game was a tossup until the final few minutes, when

Elmira scored two quick ones to run the final score to 4-1.

Glanbrook reached the finals with a series of one point wins, beating New Hamburg 3-2, edging Acton majors 1-0 and shading Elmira 3-2 before their big win in the finals.

Orangeville, after dropping their first game to Beamsville by a 2-1 score, went on to their consolation trophy by way of beating Borden 2-1 and Penetang 2-1.

## What makes good tourney

"An awful lot of work previous to the tournament" is the key to a successful tourney, according to Frank Allsop. He should know, having just finished staging the very successful Acton Centennial Atom Tournament last weekend.

About 100 people were working full time on the three days of the tourney, including the parents of the major atoms, who billeted those players from other teams who needed accommodation.

Most of the work goes on before the three day burst of activity during the tourney. The tournament chairman

has to pick the other chairmen he wants, and each of these has to find more volunteers to work on the tourney. "Being able as chairman to assign other chairmen their duties and the others carrying them out" is one of the most important things in the pre-tourney activity, said Mr. Allsop.

He extended his sincere thanks to those who helped him on the tournament.

The chairman has to look after such details as arranging with the St. John Ambulance to be at the games, arranging for the doctor to be on standby call at

the medical centre, getting the tourney sanctioned, program printing and scheduling of the games among his other duties.

Financial statements are not yet in, but there have been a number of good comments about the tourney from visiting coaches. The Glanbrook coach remarked that his team's string of one point victories showed how well matched the teams were.

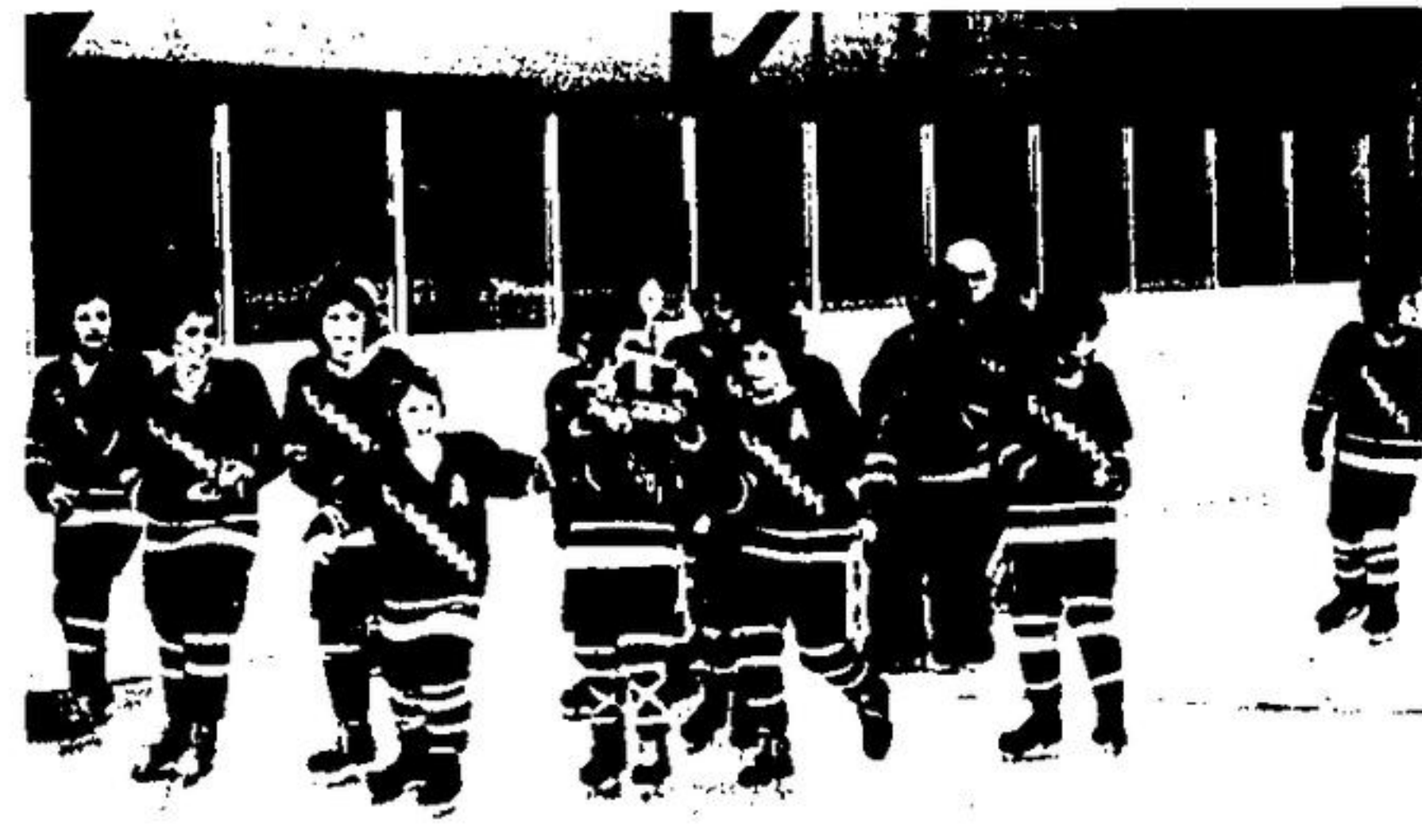
The tournament also ran on time all weekend, which is a very sure sign of a well run tourney. As Mr. Allsop says, "We couldn't have done it without the help of everyone who was involved."



JIM RICHARDS AND DAVE MILNE converge on Streetsville goalie in their opening round game. Acton won 3-2 to move into the second round.



MINOR ATOM'S MIKE HUDSON faced this type of coverage every time he got the puck. Coach Fred Buchanan said that "every team will do it because if they don't he'll murder them."



GLANBROOK WERE the champions in the 3rd annual Acton Centennial Atom Tournament this weekend. They edged Acton major atoms 1-0 in second round play.



ORANGEVILLE TOOK the consolation trophy in the Acton Centennial Atom Tournament this year, beating Bay Ridges 5-2 in the final.



GLANBROOK CAPTAIN Steve Ranger and Goalie Paul Whidden admire their championship trophy.