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Sabres split over weekend, top Milton, bow to Cougars

The hockey left something to be desired but the game was as exciting as they come when the Acton Sabres defeated Milton Flyers last Friday in the arena, by a 4-2 count.

The excitement came from the vigorous if unpolished play and from the close score, which stood at 3-2 Acton with four seconds left to play when Dave Chapman shoved the puck the length of the ice into an empty net for the insurance goal.

Both teams were a little sloppy in their play, especially in the second period. Neither team seemed able to execute plays properly, and neither team could capitalize on the other's errors.

Robin Inscow played in nets again, and turned in another fine performance, as Flyers outshot Sabres 42-35 in the game.

First marksman Wade Vickery was the first

marksman for Acton, opening the first period with a score from Scott Malcolm and Dave McGilloway. The midline line has accounted for 32 points in the first 14 games.

Flyer captain Ron Twiss answered five minutes later from Bruce Ellison to tie the game up. Milton went ahead in the second frame on a marker by Gasper Paul, from Rod Gooding and Rick Jacklin, and it was up to the Sabres to play catch-up hockey from then.

Hat trick Dave Chapman scored three times in the final period to get the win. He tied it up from Brian Walker and Rob Millican early in the period, and added the go-ahead marker with eight minutes left.

Flyers started pressing, but were unable to take advantage of a powerplay opportunity, and pulled their goalie in the last minute. Sabres sent

three shots sliding down the ice towards it, with Chapman finally hitting to guarantee the win.

Acton collected 16 minutes in penalties to Milton's 22. There were no majors and none of the goals came on powerplays.

Close game Sabres went on to drop a close game in Burlington Saturday 8-6. Action was chippy to say the least, with two Sabres, John Bruni and Rob Millican, picking up game misconduct penalties in the third period. In spite of these penalties, the Burlington team's misconduct was far worse, or at least it hurt more, as the Sabres picked up four powerplay goals.

Vickery was again the first scorer in the game, with Malcolm getting an assist on the point. It was the last time in the game the Sabres had a lead as Cougars came back with four more points before the period closed.

The Sabres were outscored by an identical count in the second period, when Robin Inscow took over from Kent Moffatt in nets. Peter Wicklum got the Sabres' second period point, with assists going to Kelly McArthur and Chapman.

Boiled over The game, which had been simmering all day, came to a boil in the third period as Acton counted 31 penalty minutes to a comparable amount for the Cougars.

In the confusion, Acton managed to score four times to put themselves back within range with five minutes left, but were unable to pull the game out.

Chapman scored the first

goal of the period, from McGilloway and Walker, when the two teams were even. A penalty helped the Sabres pick up their fourth point of the game as Vickery scored again, from Millican and Malcolm on a powerplay situation.

The two teams were even again when Kelly McArthur broke through from Chapman, and Malcolm took advantage of another powerplay to get the puck from McGilloway and beat Cougar netminder Todd Pearson for the score.

The last minute drive fizzled after that and the Sabres wound up short. Sabres outshot their rivals 16-5 in the period and 41-34 overall.

Sabres next game is home, Friday when the Georgetown Gemini come to town for round three of the Halton Hills mini-championship. Sabres took the first game 4-3 and many people watching say they should have taken the second game, won by Georgetown 4-2. The cross-town rivalry promises the Sabres will be up for the game. Sabres play in Dixie

ONTARIO CENTRAL/JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	G	W	L	T	Pts
Derbys	15	11	2	2	24
Dixie	15	11	2	2	24
Burlington	15	6	5	4	14
Oakville	15	6	6	3	14
Brampton	17	10	1	7	22
Georgetown	15	5	8	2	12
Milton	15	3	8	4	10
Acton	15	3	10	2	8

GAMES THIS WEEK: Tues. Streetsville 4, Dixie 1, Wed. Dixie 14, Brampton 7, Fri. Acton 4, Milton 2, Burlington 5, Oakville 4, Sat. Georgetown 3, Brampton 1, Burlington 4, Acton 4, Sun. Oakville 4, Brampton 1, Dixie 4, Milton 4.

OCL LEADING SCORERS

Player-Team	G	A	Pts
Baker-Derby	15	17	32
Presidge-Derby	12	24	24
Gooding-Milton	14	21	23
Gordon-Milton	15	15	22
Chandler-Derby	15	21	18

Minor bants nail sixth win, still no losses in W-W play

Acton's minor bants picked up their sixth win without a loss Sunday as they shutout New Hamburg 3-0 in an away game. They defeated Fergus 6-1 November 5 and doubled Hespeler in one of their closer games to date, taking a 4-2 decision last Wednesday in the arena.

The New Hamburg contest was scoreless for the first

period, as Rick Greenly was the first to break through for a point, scoring from Rob Vermeulen and Rusty Elliott late in the second frame.

Captain Gord McArthur potted the next point, scoring on passes from Rick Smith and Vermeulen in the third frame. Tim Ferguson closed the scoring from Vermeulen

with three minutes left to play.

Tim Baker was in nets for the shutout. Vermeulen led the scoring with his three assists.

Fergus game The bants' Fergus game was close for the first period, as Acton took a 1-0 lead on a marker by Jeff McNabb, assisted by Tony Sheppard. After that, it was Acton's game all the way as they picked up two more in the second and three in the third for the 6-1 final.

Sheppard and Bob Vermeulen potted the second period points, with Mark Duval assisting on Sheppard's. Duval, Vermeulen and McNabb were the markers in the third frame, while Sheppard picked up an assist.

Sheppard, with his two goals and single assist was the game's high scorer. McNabb, Vermeulen and

Duval each collected two points. Fergus' goal went to Ken Chad.

November 9 the bants doubled Hespeler in the arena. Hespeler took a 1-0 lead out of the first on a point by their captain Todd Ferguson, but Acton came back with two unanswered goals in the second to take the lead.

Hat trick

Gord McArthur tied it up halfway through the period on a pass from Brad Manes, and was followed quickly by Bob Vermeulen who hit from Rick Smith and Greenly.

Jeff Fisher tied it up for Hespeler at the start of the third period, but McArthur nailed the winner twenty seconds later from Tim Ferguson. McArthur netted the insurance goal unassisted to give him three for the night.

tomorrow night. Sabres shorts: Bud Buchanan's knee injury has been diagnosed as a chipped knee-

cap. According to the doctor, playing on it will not make it any worse. Problem with it is there is a piece of ligament

attached to the broken section. The two consecutive wins is a record for the Sabres in junior B play.



EVEN THOUGH HE HAS ALREADY LOST THE PUCK TO a Milton defender, Scott Malcolm's momentum carries him on into the net, which he knocked off its posts on his way past.

Hard play was typical of the Sabres Friday evening as the team seemed especially fired up against Milton Flyers. Drive paid off in a 4-2 win for Sabres.

AHS girls topple O.T. to advance to semis

Acton High School senior girls' basketball team upset Oakville Trafalgar, who topped the league during the season, to take a 51-43 playoff victory Monday. The win moves Acton into the Halton semi-finals as they meet Nelson here today.

Acton finished the season in fourth place with a 5-4 record.

The Acton girls' tight defensive play brought them the win against a taller OT squad. The girls led 14-9 after one period and 23-13 at the half. They slipped badly in the third, coming out of the

period at a 33-35 deficit. "We were on shaky ground for a while," said coach Anne Lepik. They came back strong for the fourth period with a full court press which yielded enough turnovers to turn the game around.

Sue Thomson led the scoring with 24 points, while Lisa Near and Sheila Cook followed with eight each. Karen Chapman netted six points and Pat Nessett connected for five to round out the team's scoring.

If Acton gets past Nelson today they will go into the finals Friday night.

'Burg teams out of non-contact loop

Two Hillsburgh teams have pulled out of the Wellington-Dufferin-Halton non-contact hockey league and president Rick Saul of Hillsburgh has resigned, as a result of disagreements among team reps at a meeting, Friday night.

The league, which is designed to promote exercise, fun, light competition and sportsmanship, has been plagued with rough play,

especially in two games involving the Acton Tigers and Hillsburgh Country Gents. The Acton team walked off the ice in one game and a brawl broke out in the second.

According to Mike Marshall and Gord Kerr, league executive members from Georgetown, the Hillsburgh teams were not happy with the system of splitting ice time costs or with a majority rejection of Saul's proposal, which

would have stiffened league rules in an effort to curb violence.

Hillsburgh teams pay only \$62 for game ice time at the Hillsburgh Arena, while the league entry from Meadowvale must pay \$100 for the same amount of ice time in its home arena. Because of the difference in rates, teams had been splitting costs, so that visitors to Hillsburgh paid \$31 and visitors to Meadowvale

554. The Hillsburgh teams apparently wanted the system changed so that the home team paid total ice rental costs for each game. Their proposal was voted down.

Saul, who also plays for the Hillsburgh Town Gents, made a proposal which included a six game suspension for fighting, a change in league age regulations and a system of fines for certain infractions. He says league reps didn't

even grant him the courtesy of voting on the proposal and, when they didn't, he resigned.

"There was too much violence in the league," Saul conceded "but the only way to settle it down was to put in stiffer penalties, even fines." Saul said he was also upset that one of the referees of the second Acton-Hillsburgh Country Gents game revealed the comments he had written on the game report sheet to the Acton Free Press and that the Free Press printed them before the sheet reached the convenor's hands.

He said the Country Gents are not to blame for the rough play in the league. He blamed the referees for letting games get out of control.

"The general feeling of other team reps was that the

present rules were adequate, if they were just enforced," Kerr said. "We felt Rick's proposal wouldn't cut down on the stickwork which was leading to fighting."

League rules excluded anyone under the age of 20 from playing. Saul proposed that the limit be lowered to 18 since both Hillsburgh teams are sponsored by the Gentlemen's Club of Hillsburgh, which has members as young as 18.

The two Hillsburgh teams hope to be part of a new four team league, which would also include Erin, presently a member of the WHD loop. The Erin team has no quarrel with the league, but may prefer to play against Hillsburgh because of its geographical proximity.

"The teams would like to come back into the WHD League next year if the proposals I made or stiffer ones are put into the rules," Saul said.

Meanwhile, reps from the remaining 9 or 10 WHD teams were to meet last night (Tuesday) to revise their schedule and elect a new president.

Besides Georgetown's two entries, Patterson Insulation and Halton Hills Clean Machine, the league also includes two teams from Orangeville and single entries from Acton, Grand Valley, Cedar Valley, Meadowdale, Milton and maybe Erin. Reps from all teams, except Grand Valley and the two Orangeville entries, attended Friday's meeting.

Tigers trounce Pirie 9-3, game 'a pleasure': Lalonde

Acton Tigers topped the Orangeville Pirie 9-3 last Tuesday in a non-contact hockey game which was, according to coach Mike Lalonde, "a real pleasure to play".

There was only one penalty called in the game, a high sticking charge against Adrian Farnworth of the Tigers.

Acton fell behind by a 2-1 count early in the second period as Willy Ceelen was the only Tiger to crack the nets in the first period. He was assisted by Glen Ferguson and Brian Weber on his goal.

Ceelen repeated in the second from Buddy Thomas to tie the game up and John McAllister put the Tigers on top to stay from Dave Bausfield. Adrian Farnworth added another goal which proved to be the margin of victory, netting the marker from high scoring Wayne Munro and Thomas.

Munro is currently leading the Halton-Wellington-Dufferin league in scoring with five goals and 16 assists for 21 points. Teammate Randy Coulson is right behind with 15 points on nine goals and six assists.

Orangeville scored a third goal to end scoring in the period and send the Tigers into the third period nursing a narrow 4-3 lead. Tigers took off from there, counting five

unanswered goals in the final period. Thomas, Sandy Tonon, Coulson and McAllister all scored in the frame, with Coulson netting two. Thomas and Munro each collected two assists, while McAllister, Carl Reed, Farnworth, Ceelen and Glen Ferguson each picked up single assists.

Coach Lalonde said he is signing Dave Blashuk, just graduated from policeman's college, to help shore up the defence.

There were 10 Acton members on the team originally, and their number has grown to 16. According to Lalonde, they are hoping to play in Acton next year.

This year, because they cannot get a suitable ice time, they are playing out of Meadowdale.

Tiger scoring

Player	G	A	Pts
Wayne Munro	5	16	21
Randy Coulson	9	8	15
Willy Ceelen	5	4	9
Buddy Thomas	1	6	7
Carl Reed	0	5	5
Glen Ferguson	1	3	4
Brian Weber	0	4	4
Sandy Tonon	3	0	3
John McAllister	2	1	3
Don Silk	1	2	3
Dave Bausfield	3	0	3
Adrian Farnworth	1	1	2
Joel Sawyers	0	2	2
John Connor	0	2	2
Tom Dickinson	0	2	2
Rick Smith	1	0	1

Bryon Gennings	1	0	1	Wayne McAndrew	0	0	0
Phil Bailey	0	1	1	Kevin Kenalty	0	0	0

A.T.W. dumps Hellers 10-4, only undefeated team left

Acton Terminal Warehouse became the only team in the industrial hockey league without a loss Sunday as they whopped Hellers 10-4 to take a firm hold of first place. In other industrial action, Lakeview got into the win column with a 5-2 victory over Vans and Family Cleaners made it two in a row with a 4-3 squeaker over Blow Press.

John Ashley scored the winner for Lakeview's first ever victory as he took passes from Steve McIntyre and Bob Jarrett early in the second period to beat Van's netminder Dave Allen.

The two teams took a 2-2 tie out of the first period as Gerry VanDer Eyken netted one for Vans from Bruce McPherson to open the scoring. Tom Dickinson answered for Lakeview from McIntyre and Bill Fields, and George McPhail put them in the lead from Tim McIntyre

and Ashley. McPherson equalized for Vans to end the period.

Ashley put Lakeview in front to stay with his second period marker, and Dickinson added an insurance margin from Fields and Steve McIntyre before the period ended. McPhail connected from Tim McIntyre to end scoring in the game in the third period.

Second win Family Cleaners managed their second win in a row as they edged Blow Press, scoring four in the third for the win. The winner was scored with just four seconds showing as Harry Lawson connected from Dan Hillier and Ernie Waller for the score.

Blow Press scored two unanswered goals in the first to take their early lead. Mike McMahon started it off with a marker from Evan Hayter

and Sid Baren and Baren connected for the second effort. Slaney's goal came from Ron Mellon.

The game was marked by penalties as the refs called a total of 42 minutes, including a 10 minute misconduct and game penalty to the Pressman's Ed Hillier.

There was no scoring until the third period when Family Cleaners tied it up. Ernie Waller and Floyd Hillier scored, getting assists from Lawson and Gary Colton on their efforts. Ken Owens scored unassisted for Blow Press but the Cleaners came back with two more in a row to get the win. Ted Jowett tied it up from Bart Jacobs and Floyd Hillier, setting the stage for Lawson's winner.

No contest

Except for the first period, the ATW vs. Hellers game was no contest. In the opening frame Ken Slaney started Hellers off with a lead which

was eliminated by Peter Morrison on an unassisted effort. Slaney's goal came from Ron Mellon.

Henry Toebes gave ATW the lead permanently with the final goal of the period, taking passes from Bruce Cooksley and Bren Irwin to put ATW in front 2-1.

ATW took command in the second with two points. Steve Bennett and Pete Morrison fed Irwin for the first and Bennett took a Morrison pass for the second, giving ATW a 4-1 lead in the period.

Cecil Stuckless potted the winner early in the third period, from Cooksley, before ATW broke through for their second point. Ron Mellon got the point unassisted.

Morrison connected again from Irwin and Bill Severinski and Bennett connected unassisted to put any hopes of an Hellers comeback on the shelf.

Henry Toebes, Bennett and Cecil Stuckless got the rest of the ATW goals, Stuckless and Bennett trading assists. Ron Mellon completed his hat trick by netting the next two Hellers points, getting assists from Glen McKenzie and Russ Van Fleet on the first and taking the second one in unassisted.

The fight for second place tightened up as four teams are in line for a share by next week. Hellers, Vans, Blow Press and Family Cleaners are all within striking range. ATW has taken a three point lead in first, while Lakeview is still in the cellar with their lone win.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
ATW	2	1	6	22	17	11
Hellers	1	2	6	22	24	11
Vans	2	3	5	20	24	11
Blow Press	1	2	4	18	11	11
Cleaners	2	3	0	22	7	7
Lakeview	1	4	0	2	18	22



SUE THOMSON LED Acton scorers with 24 points Monday as Acton knocked Oakville Trafalgar out of the running for the Halton championships. Acton High School won the contest by a 51-43 count despite a shaky third period.