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# Sabres suffer single frame lapses as Chevys and Beehives triumph

Sabres are not doing any better at the job of playing three periods of hockey a game. They gave up five goals in the middle frame to lose 9-2 to Brampton Wednesday and then allowed nine in the second period against Dixie Thursday enroute to a 12-6 defeat.

The Brampton game was a big disappointment, according to coach Bruce Chapman. The Chevys were operating under a new coach who had not even seen them play in practice yet, and the Sabres had hoped to pick up two points in the ensuing confusion.

Unfortunately for them, the Chevys' confusion only served to confuse the Sabres, according to Chapman.

He called the loss the Sabres' "worst hour of the season," including the two losses to Streetsville.

**Flustrated**  
The team has been suffering from the flu and a few injuries. Jim Cartwright has been out sick and just came back Monday, Mike Major is just back from a bout with the flu, and John Bruni suffered a shoulder separation last week to critically undermine the Sabres' defensive corps. The team is back full

strength now and Chapman is "looking for a real change now".

Sabres tied the Chevys 2-2 coming out of the first period

but were unable to hold together for the rest of the game. The Chevys managed to collect four goals when playing shorthanded, some-

thing which should not occur even once.

Art Currie, playing with a broken nose, got the first Acton goal, after the Sabres

had fallen behind 2-0. Dave Chapman and Doug Elliott assisted on the play.

Dave McGilloway tied it up three minutes later from

Chapman and Mark Schinkel to put the Sabres back in the game, although it was just a temporary situation.

Sabres accounted for only 15 minutes in penalties while the Chevys ran up 27 minutes.

**Better game**  
The game against Dixie was a better game, in Bruce Chapman's opinion. The big asset was the return of Rob Millican, back from a suspension. "It shows what a big fellow can do in a physical game."

Because the team was shorthanded, coach Chapman was double shifting Dave Chapman and juggling lines to try to keep Dixie off balance.

It worked for two periods out of three, but the second period sunk the game.

The Sabres fell behind only 1-0 in the first period but gave up six goals in the first half of the second before they got on the scoreboard.

Chapman broke the ice with

a powerplay marker from Scott Malcolm and Peter Wicklum. Art Currie added a second from Chapman and Millican and Wade Vickery pumped one in from Currie and Malcolm to end the Sabres' scoring in the period.

Sabres outscored Dixie 3-2 in the final frame on goals from Vickery, Chapman and Millican. Millican went through four Beehive defenses for his goal. He also assisted on the other two points of the period, both coming on powerplays.

Malcolm also picked up assists on the markers by Vickery and Chapman, while Wicklum and Chapman got assists on Millican's point.

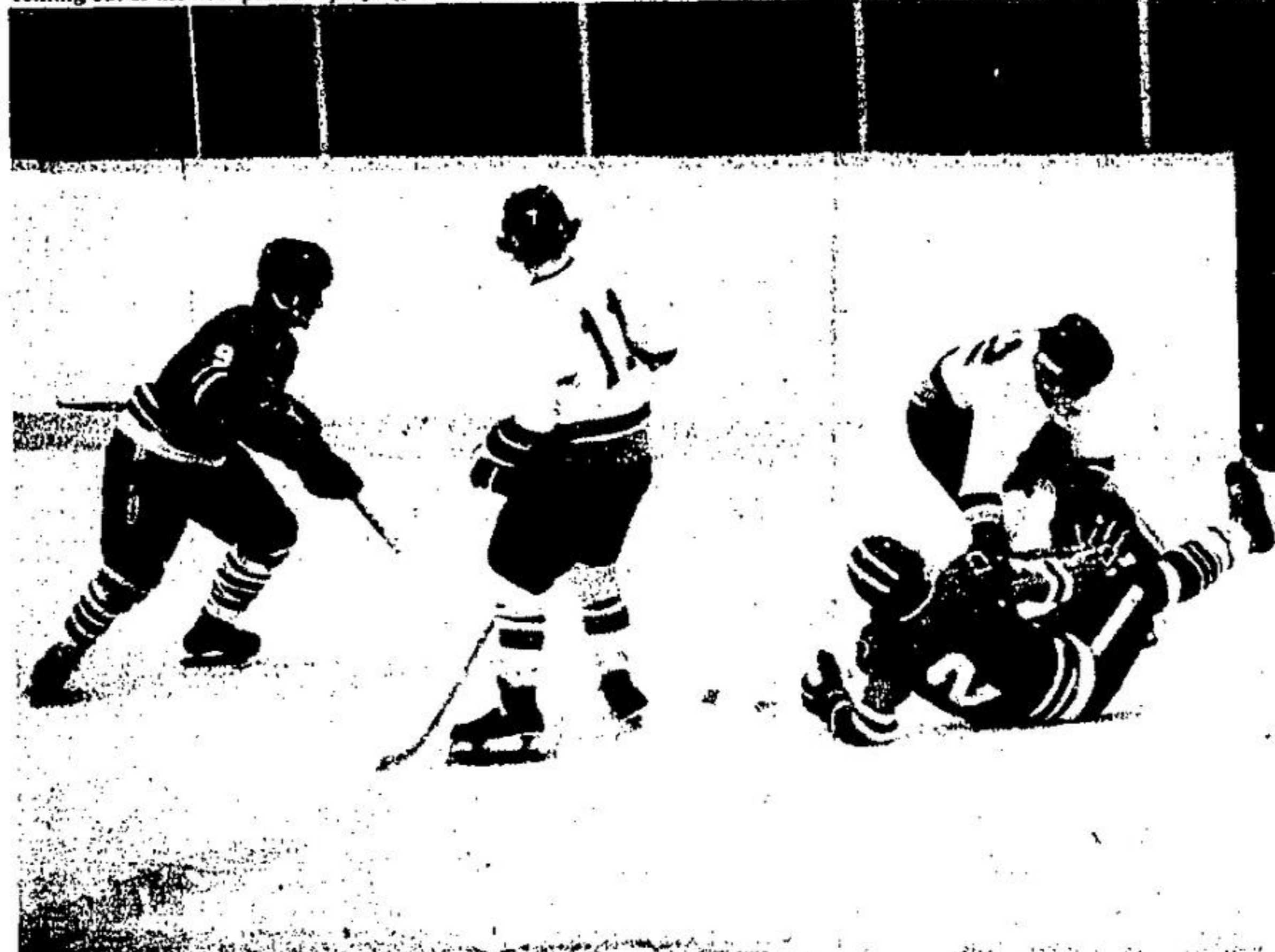
Coach Chapman alternated goalies for the two games, with Dunbar playing the first game and Insoe the second.

Sabres again came out on top in the penalty department, taking 25 minutes to the Beehives' 33.

Sabres have two games this week as they face Burlington away Friday and come home to meet the Oakville Blades Saturday.

### Sabre scoring

|                 | G  | A  | Pts |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|
| Chapman         | 26 | 30 | 56  |
| Malcolm         | 11 | 17 | 23  |
| Wicklum         | 12 | 10 | 22  |
| McGilloway      | 8  | 11 | 19  |
| Vickery         | 9  | 9  | 18  |
| Millican        | 3  | 15 | 18  |
| Schinkel        | 8  | 9  | 17  |
| McArthur        | 4  | 6  | 10  |
| Bruni           | 2  | 8  | 10  |
| Currie (AP)     | 3  | 5  | 8   |
| Cartwright      | 3  | 4  | 7   |
| Elliott         | 1  | 6  | 7   |
| Barnes          | 0  | 5  | 5   |
| Major           | 0  | 3  | 3   |
| Widmont         | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| J. Vickery (AP) | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| Buchanan        | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| Withers (AP)    | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| Weir (AP)       | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| Dunbar (G)      | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| Insoe (G)       | 0  | 0  | 0   |



SABRES PUSHED THEIR Dixie opponents for two of the three periods they played, but let up in the second to allow nine goals through. Scott

Malcolm and Wade Vickery work around the blueline for control of the puck. Both had good games against the Beehives Thursday. Next

## Juves in silver stick after successful series in Sarnia

Acton juveniles qualified for the silver stick tournament through some excellent hockey over the weekend as they topped Sarnia 6-3 Sunday after tying them 4-4 Saturday.

The juveniles were playing a two-game exhibition series. The Sarnia team they

played is the team which represents the city in tournament play. Sarnia supports two juvenile teams, one of which plays league games for them.

Sarnia had a 4-2 lead in the third period, but Jeff Shields fired home a penalty shot that

"really lifted the guys" according to manager Mike Kinal. Less than a minute after he connected, Bill Manes popped in the tying point from Art Currie.

Tom Ryan opened the scoring with five minutes left in the first period, getting the

puck from Kevin Weir for the score. Sarnia tied it up before the period ended, and went up by one midway through the second period.

Currie brought the juves back even as he converted passes from Mike Rippon and Bruce McPhail.

Two quick Sarnia goals followed before the period ended, setting the stage for the final period comeback.

Eight different players figured in the scoring in the game for Acton. Acton were penalized for nine minors, while Sarnia was hit for eight.

Acton came out the next day determined not to settle for a tie, and after an initial goal by Sarnia, they put in four unanswered goals in a row to take a commanding lead.

Two of these goals came within a minute and a half of each other at the close of the first period. Kevin Weir netted the first one, with assists from Terry Winters and Shields. Shields put the next one in himself, getting assists from Winters and Jamie Vickery.

The only goal of the second frame went to Currie, from Bill Manes and Randy Van Fleet. McPhail made it 4-1 Acton on a solo effort in the first minute of the third period.

Sarnia added two points to make the game close but Manes and Shields put it out of reach with a pair of goals to close the scoring. Manes got an assist from Rippon and Shields was fed by Kolin Muir.

This was another good team effort by the juves as nine different players were in the scoring column.

### CENTRAL ONTARIO JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

| TEAM         | GP | W  | L  | T | GF  | GA  | Pts |
|--------------|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|-----|
| Streetsville | 31 | 22 | 3  | 6 | 207 | 115 | 53  |
| Dixie        | 30 | 22 | 3  | 5 | 196 | 130 | 47  |
| Burlington   | 30 | 15 | 12 | 3 | 159 | 149 | 33  |
| Milton       | 31 | 13 | 12 | 6 | 183 | 182 | 31  |
| Oakville     | 34 | 14 | 17 | 3 | 179 | 185 | 31  |
| Georgetown   | 29 | 9  | 17 | 4 | 120 | 155 | 22  |
| Brampton     | 31 | 10 | 19 | 1 | 127 | 185 | 22  |
| Acton        | 31 | 3  | 26 | 2 | 106 | 223 | 8   |

### AIHL standings

| TEAM       | W | L | T | Pts | GF | GA |
|------------|---|---|---|-----|----|----|
| Blow Press | 6 | 2 | 1 | 14  | 46 | 32 |
| ATW        | 5 | 3 | 1 | 11  | 51 | 34 |
| Lakesview  | 5 | 4 | 1 | 11  | 47 | 45 |
| Clevers    | 5 | 5 | 1 | 11  | 52 | 45 |
| Vans       | 4 | 6 | 1 | 9   | 41 | 49 |
| Hellers    | 2 | 6 | 3 | 7   | 40 | 61 |



ACTON SABRES JUST couldn't seem to score when they travelled to Brampton last Wednesday. Kelly McArthur tries his luck on the Brampton netminder to no avail as Logan Chevys topped Sabres handily, 9-2.

## Bants win two more, top Elora and Fergus

Acton minor bantams continued to dominate Wellington Waterloo play with a pair of wins this week, tripling Elora 3-1 and edging Fergus 1-0.

Elora took a 1-0 lead out of the first period of their January 8 game, played at the arena, but that was the last goal netted by Tim Baker let through as the

bants tied it in the second and won the game in the final frame.

Tim Ferguson blasted one in to knot the score in the middle frame, getting the puck from Rick Greenly and Tim Evans for the point. Evans netted the winner early in the third period from Greenly.

Ferguson poured in his second of the game from Mark Duval and Tony Sheppard for the clincher. He took advantage of a game misconduct penalty which

left Elora shorthanded for much of the third period.

The Fergus goalie was responsible for keeping the score close in the Acton-Fergus contest played the next day as Acton controlled the play most of the game.

Tim Baker was again in nets for Acton, turning aside all Fergus efforts for the shutout. The game was a 0-0 tie until there were only three minutes left to play, when Mark Duval powered in an unassisted marker.

## Gold Dance medal for Cindy McGilloway, 17

For the first time, Acton has a figure skating Gold Dance medalist. Cindy McGilloway, 17, passed her last Gold Dance Saturday.

She has now passed five Gold Dances.

On the same day her brother David, 16, passed his last two Silver Dances, so he is a senior Silver Dance Medallist. This success means

they can now compete together in pairs competitions in dancing.

The High Test Day was held in Guelph. Cindy and David skate with the Guelph club as well as with Acton.

Cindy has now gone as far as she can go in dancing, but she's continuing work on her free skating and figures.



CINDY MCGILLOWAY AND Sue Kinal practice dance routine in figure skating practice. Sue will be representing Acton in an interclub meet January 22, while Cindy is a sectional competitor.



## Jock Tock

By John Bottomley

Foul winter begone,

bring back baseball season

Relax, sports fans, all this cold weather is just a front. Baseball season is actually underway, which means this weather will not last forever.

Industrial softball has begun to plan, and the Acton Merchants, who were representing Acton in tourneys around the area last year, intend to join a Georgetown league. Their own tourney, which had such bad luck last year, is being scheduled for June this year. This should help them avoid the biggest problems they faced which were, in order, the weather and the fall fair.

Acton Merchants home games will be played Monday nights under the lights at Prospect Park.

Scheduling work has begun for the Acton Minor Baseball Association. Pop Main reports that coaches and managers are being asked to reserve time on the diamonds already.

Even the Blue Jays are getting ready for summer again.

### Hespeler major bantams

should clean up their act

Major bantams have played their third fiasco of a hockey game this year with Hespeler, and feeling on the team is running high. Manager Bob Leopardi told me he would really like to see the Hespeler team out of minor hockey.

If his report of the game is accurate, then I have to wonder if maybe he isn't right. The Hespeler team and fans seem to have taken entirely the wrong view of minor hockey. Any parent who can harass a boy in the penalty box and encourage their own sons to do the same as Hespeler parents were doing should not be able to face himself in the mirror the next morning.

This is the third time the Hespeler team has played Acton, and all three games have been excellent examples of how not to play a game. All three went to nearly two hours to complete, thanks to the number of penalties and the attitude of the Hespeler team on the ice.

It is not the players' fault the games turn out the way they do. It is the minor hockey system that nurtured them that is to blame. If the men and women running the system think so much of winning they will ignore the OMHA's objectives of sportsmanship and good competition, then it is no wonder the players come out the same.

What a contrast that game provides to the juveniles' exhibition series in Sarnia. The two teams got together after the games and went to a restaurant and partied together on Saturday night. At the arena, organizers of the series handed out jacket patches with the words "Good sports today, good citizens tomorrow". The only unpleasant part of the weekend was the drive home.

It sounds as if Hespeler could learn a lot from their counterparts in Sarnia.