

# Firefighters slice Sabres in O.M.H.A. play-offs

Acton Firefighters Bantams continued their drive for an Ontario Championship this week taking a pair of games from Flamboro in the second round of their Ontario Minor Hockey Association play-offs.

Firefighters handled the Sabres from Flamboro rather easily in the first game of the best of five series 6-1 but found the going tough in Flamboro as they needed Mark Duval's goal with only one second remaining to squeak out a 5-4 win.

Firefighters dominated the scoreboard in the first contest as they scored five of their six goals before allowing Flamboro to break goaltender Tim Baker's shut-out with 1:34 remaining to play.

Gord McArthur started things off for the bantams at the midway point of the opening frame as he found the range from Andy Vaivods.

Rob Vermeulen extended that lead before the frame ended with an unassisted effort.

McArthur and Vermeulen combined for the third Acton goal with only 39 seconds remaining in the second frame. McArthur counted the goal with Vermeulen drawing the assist.

Andy Vaivods extended the Acton lead to open the third from Tim Ferguson. Gord McArthur completed the hat trick at the 3:59 mark of the final frame before Flamboro counted their only goal.

Mark Duval wound out the game scoring from McArthur with only 1:16 to play.

Coach Steve Marshall felt his team put forth a good effort "forechecking and controlling the puck."

In the second game of the series Flamboro served notice early that they meant business. Eric Mathews put the Sabres ahead of Acton after only 47 seconds of play.

Rob Vermeulen tied the contest a short time later from Mark Duval and Gord McArthur to give the teams an even keel to start the second frame.

Flamboro managed the only tally of the second stanza setting up a wild and woolly finish.

Tim Evans tied the game to open the third period from Tim Ferguson and Vermeulen only to allow Flamboro to regain the lead.

Evans again tied things up, this time with help from Rick Greenley. For the fourth time in the contest Flamboro took a one goal lead but again Acton tied the game. Mark Duval notched the counter with McArthur and Vermeulen adding assists.

With 1:50 remaining in the contest Firefighters goaltender Tim Baker stopped Flamboro shooter Eric Mathews on a clean cut break-away with what coach Marshall considered "a great poke check". From then on to the finish Acton took control of the puck and "with some great passing," said Marshall, "they set up Duval in the slot and he blasted a perfect slap shot into the net." The goal came with only one second left. It gave Acton the lead for the first time in the game and the win.

# Bray leads Guelph club

Mark Bray, a student at Acton High School, won two gold and four silver medals at a Canadian Amateur Swimming Association meet in Cambridge recently.

Bray is a member of the Guelph Marlins, who were amongst 17 clubs competing at the three day meet.

Bray earned silver medals in the 100 and 200 metre individual medley races, and the 100 and 200 freestyle. In his specialty, the butterfly, Bray earned gold medals in both the 100 and 200 metre events. He added to a successful meet by swimming a fourth place in the 100 metre freestyle.

He narrowly missed earning the high points trophy for the 11 and 12 year old age group. Mark improved his previous best times dramatically setting club records in five events and is now ranked between fifth and seventh in five events nationally.

While the senior Marlin team was at the Cambridge meet their junior team which carries some Acton area swimmers competed in a dual meet with Burlington.

With the help of four first place finishes from Adrienne Kovacs, the junior team outswam their guests by a 497.5 to 336.5 score.

Other fine performances by Acton area swimmers included Peter Bray's four first place finishes, Julia Mullins one second and three thirds, Vicki Curtis' two fifths and a sixth and Michelle Heard's sixth place finish.

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# Lions topped at Stayner

Acton Lions Pee-wees found themselves sitting waiting for an opponent in Ontario Hockey Association play-offs and took the opportunity to travel to Stayner for their first tournament of the season.

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# Lakeview's hopes alive with win over ATW

Heller's chances of making a late surge at a play-off spot came to an abrupt end as a result of 6-3 loss to Blow Press in industrial action this week.

In other games Lakeview Centre kept their hopes alive with a 9-6 upset of Acton Terminal Warehouse while Family Cleaners continued to roll along in first place with a 4-1 topping of Van's Welding.

Heller's were never in their contest with Blow Press as they managed only three goals late in the game.

Russ Van Fleet opened the scoring for Blow Press from Ron Schmidt and Jim Cooney at the five minute mark.

The Pressmen extended their lead in the second frame as Evan Hayter and George McPhail found the mark.

In the final frame Blow Press got a pair of goals from Ron Schmidt and a single by Bruce McPherson before Heller's talked with markers from Pete Morrison, Glen MacKenzie and Floyd Hillier.

In the upset of the day AW and Lakeview traded

a pair of goals over the opening 20 minutes but Lakeview edged into a one goal lead by the end of the second frame. In the third period the teams took turns at scoring sprints. ATW scored first to tie the game and then allowed Lakeview three straight goals before replying with a pair of their own. Lakeview added another pair over the final two minutes to secure the win.

Tim Melnyre was the big shooter for Lakeview scoring five times and assisting on another. Bruce Cooksley added four goals and three

assists for the winners.

Ron Mellon paced the ATW squad with a hat trick. Single counters went to Randy Weldon, George Artem and Henry Toebes.

League Leading Family Cleaners gained revenge for their only loss to date in the season with a 4-1 win over Van's Welding.

The Cleaners took command of the contest at the 13:35 mark of the opening frame and never looked back. Ed Hillier fired the first marker from Rick Henderson.

Family added a pair of goals from Henderson and a single from Dave Paul before allowing Bart Jacobs to score the Welders' only goal from Ted Jowett and Jeff Townsley.

Next week, Acton Terminal Warehouse meets Van's Welding in a game that could decide one of the two remaining play-off positions at 7 p.m. At 8:20 Lakeview gets a chance to keep their play-off hopes alive when they meet Blow Press. At 9:40 p.m. last placed Heller's meets the league leading Family Cleaners.

# Town league tallies

by Derrick Neely

**Novice**  
Douglas Neely led Kitchener to a 3-1 win over Oakville with a goal and two assists. Other shooters for the Kitchener squad included Ricky Phillips and Tim Oakley. Dennis Swinamer picked up the lone Oakville goal.

Troy Foster picked up the hatrick as Dixie skated to an 8-0 win over Guelph. Shawn McFadden fired a pair for the winners with singles going to Bobby Davey, Mike Brower, and Pat Johnson. Kevin Usher picked up the shut-out.

Brampton skated with Weston for the first period as the teams traded a pair of goals but Weston carried on over the final two frames for a 10-2 win. Kevin Harris and Derek Bottomley netted five goals each for the winners while Bill Botetzayas added both for

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8.40 St. Kitts vs. Hamilton

**NOVICE**  
9.55 Oakville vs. Weston  
10.50 Brampton vs. Kitchener  
11.45 Dixie vs. Guelph

**BANTAM**  
12.40 Aeros vs. Oilers  
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3.40 Boston vs. Chicago  
5.00 Detroit vs. Montreal  
6.00 Vancouver vs. Toronto

**Brampton.**  
Atom  
Peter Timmerman led Oshawa to a 5-3 win over Hamilton picking up two goals and an assist. Dwayne Death, Lloyd Neville, and Tom Turtcher picked up singles. Craig Colton, Peter Van der Eyken and Kevin Richie were the Hamilton shooters.

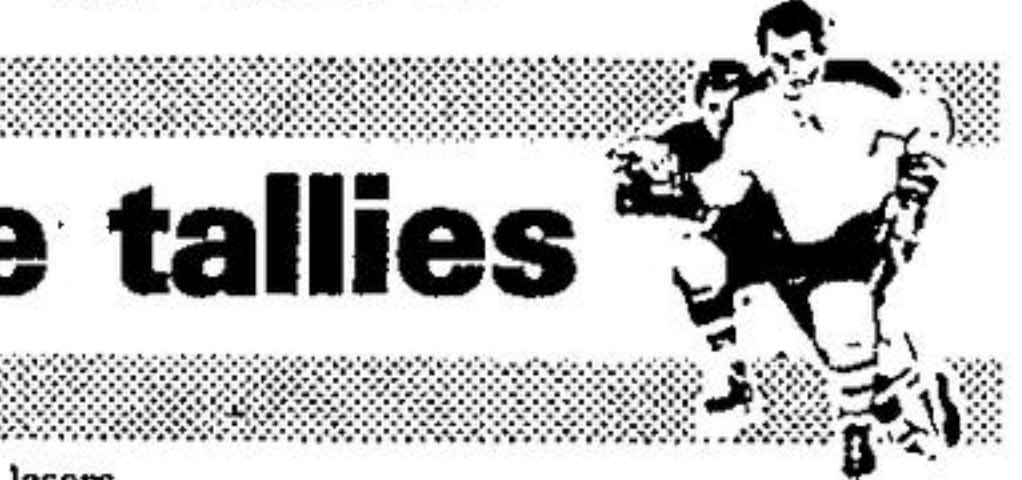
St. Kitts jumped to a 2-1 first period lead on goals by Cyril Nibbs and Chris Stewart and then took a 4-3 win in overtime. Scott Nellis fired the second period marker for St. Kitts and Chris Stewart fired the winner in the overtime period. John Coniglio fired all three London goals.

**Pee Wee**  
Five goals by Bruce Sheppard lifted Cleveland to a 7-4 win over Baltimore. Singles went to Tim Briggs and John Gardner. Brad Youmans netted a pair for the losers with singles going to Matthew Lutzl and Morrisette.

John Towgood scored twice as Rochester skated to a 5-2 win over Tidewater. Singles went to Scott Nowlan, Jamie Taras and Steve McGinn. Ian Paul and Bill Morrison replied for Tidewater.

**Bantam**  
Two goals off the stick of Barry McNabb was not enough for the Oilers as they fell to the Jets 4-2. Dean Hughes, Scott McDonough, Chris Lobsinger and Scott Allonby scored for the winners.

Paul Nolan led the way for the Whalers with a pair of goals as they skated to a 4-2 win over the Cougars. Todd Smith and Gary White added singles for the winners. Rusty Elliot and Mike Scott replied for the



McIntyre and Nick Humnick added the singles for Boston. Dave Johnson and Steve Van der Eyken counted a pair each for the winners with singles going to Tom Ryan, Mike Nichols and Rick McNabb.

**Midget**  
Brent Vickery and Ted James netted the twine for Toronto as they and Detroit played to a 2-2 tie. Dave Mitchell and Rick Lott replied for Detroit.

Two goals by Joe Treccapelli led Vancouver to a 5-3 win over Montreal. Single markers went to Gord Scott, Jim Hunter, and Robert Allen. Derrick Neely picked a pair for the losers with Bill Pinsonneault adding the other.

**Juvenile**  
Three goals and two assists by Dave McGilloy were not enough for his Boston team as they fell 7-5 to Chicago for the second time in as many play-off games. Randy

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This increased rate will take effect with the January power account and we have been advised that the increase to Acton Hydro will be 9.8 per cent.

The Acton Hydro Commissions have assessed the effect that this increase will have upon Acton Hydro's financial position and it is evident that, because of the increase in the wholesale power rate and increases in their own operating costs, there will not be sufficient funds to maintain normal operations in 1979 if the present retail rates are continued.

The Acton Hydro Commission wishes to advise their customers that application has been made to Ontario Hydro to increase retail electric rates effective with all billings on and after February 1, 1979. If approval is obtained from Ontario Hydro, our customers on average will experience a rate increase of approximately 7.4 per cent. This means that the average residential customer's bill for metered energy will become \$17.48 per month in 1979 as compared to \$16.38 per month in 1978, and increase of \$1.10 per month. Residential customers who use less than the average will experience a smaller percentage increase and those who use more than the average will experience a higher percentage increase. In the case of the commercial-industrial class of service, those customers with long hours' use consumption will experience a higher percentage increase than those with shorter hours' use consumption. This pattern has been developing for some years as the fuel required to generate electricity continues to increase in cost.

Similar to 1977, Ontario Hydro realized excess revenues in 1978 due largely to export power sales. These excess revenues are once again to be returned to our customers in the form of a small increase and will be reflected in the bills you receive during 1979. The effect of this rebate will be to minimize the increase in your bills for 1979.

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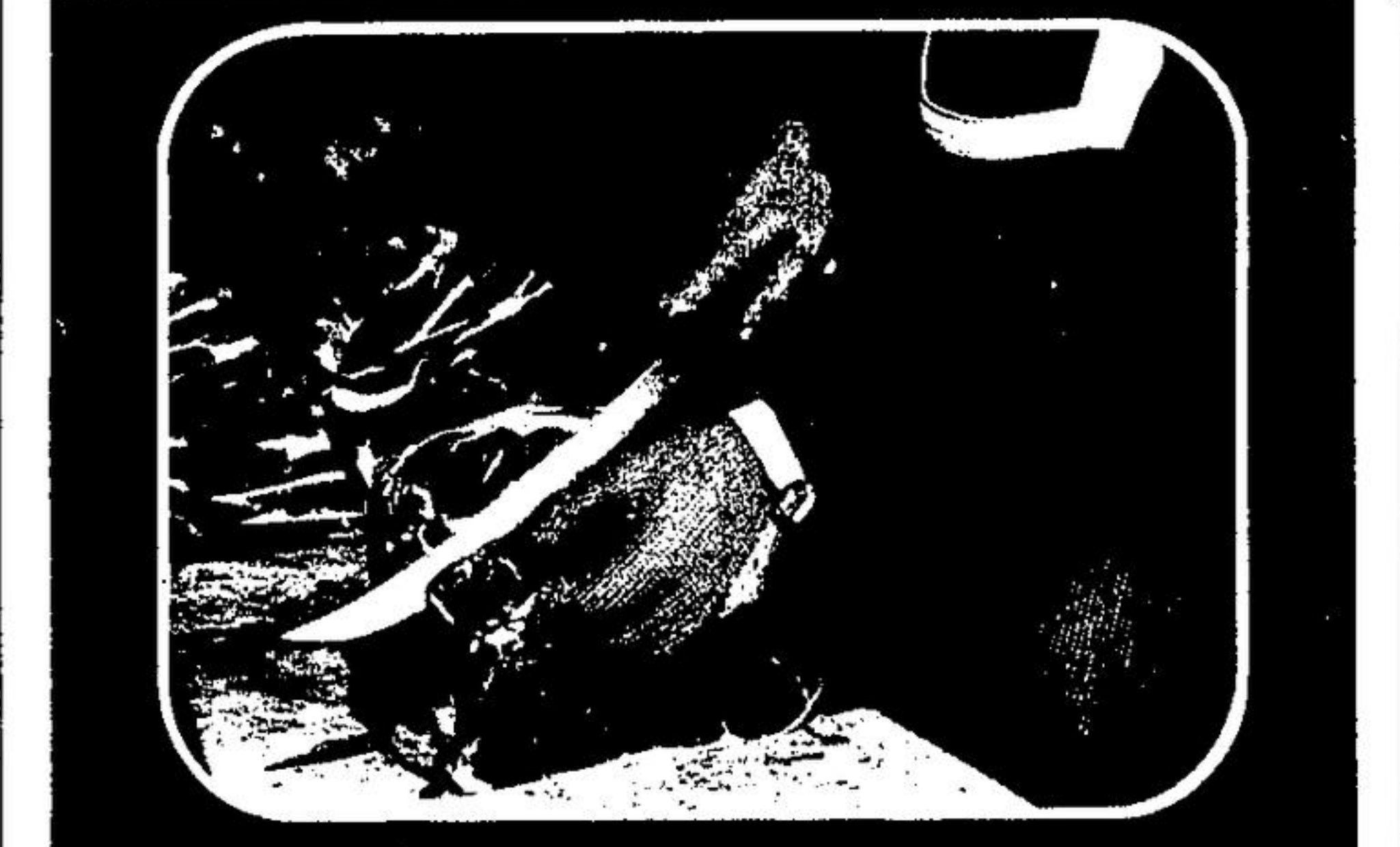
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