



Lucky winners of the IGA bonspiel at the Acton Curling Club on Saturday was a rink skipped by Del Hickling. Rink members front row l. to r. Pat Near, Gord Chapman, Del Hickling and back row Karen Archibald accept the championship trophy from IGA owner Dave Manes.

"1979" ACTON CENTENNIAL ATOM HOCKEY TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE
FIRST NAMED TEAM IS THE HOME TEAM

NO.	DAY	TIME	TEAM	TEAM
1	Fri.	6.30 p.m.	Cambridge	Unionville
2	Fri.	7.35 p.m.	Stouffville	Hespeler
3	Fri.	8.40 p.m.	Stoney Creek	Kitchener
4	Sat.	7.00 a.m.	Acton	Milton
5	Sat.	8.00 a.m.	Orangeville	Beamsville
6	Sat.	9.05 a.m.	Salftleet	Barrie
7	Sat.	10.05 a.m.	Thorold	Bowmanville
8	Sat.	11.10 a.m.	Hanover	Niagara-On-The-Lake
9	Sat.	12.10 p.m.	Loser No. 1	Loser No. 2
10	Sat.	1.15 p.m.	Winner No. 1	Winner No. 2
11	Sat.	2.15 p.m.	Loser No. 3	Loser No. 4
12	Sat.	3.20 p.m.	Winner No. 3	Winner No. 4
13	Sat.	4.30 p.m.	Loser No. 5	Loser No. 6
14	Sat.	5.25 p.m.	Winner No. 5	Winner No. 6
15	Sat.	6.25 p.m.	Loser No. 7	Loser No. 8
16	Sat.	7.30 p.m.	Winner No. 7	Winner No. 8
17	Sun.	9.15 a.m.	Winner No. 9	Winner No. 11
18	Sun.	10.15 a.m.	Winner No. 10	Winner No. 12
19	Sun.	11.20 a.m.	Winner No. 13	Winner No. 15
20	Sun.	12.25 p.m.	Winner No. 14	Winner No. 16
21	Sun.	1.30 p.m.	Winner No. 17	Winner No. 19
22	Sun.	2.40 p.m.	Winner No. 18	Winner No. 20

Centennial tourney slated for weekend

This weekend the Acton Community Centre will be the site of the Acton Centennial Atom Tournament. Teams from Unionville to Beamsville will compete for the crown in the three day tournament with the finals running on Sunday at 1:30 and 2:40 p.m. Acton will meet rival Milton in their first game at 7 a.m. Saturday. Depending on whether they win or lose the atoms will meet Stoney Creek or Kitchener in second round action at 2:15 or 3:20 p.m. Saturday. All players who compete in the tournament will be eligible for a draw with the winner getting a week at the Huronia Hockey Camp.

Hockey Moms nipped by Orangeville atoms

Acton Minor Atom Hockey Moms dropped a close 3-2 decision to Orangeville that eliminated them from contention for the Waterloo-Wellington league honors and setting them up against New Hamburg in consolation play where they topped the 'burg 4-0 in the opening game. The only Acton goal of game two in the Orangeville series came off the stick of Sean Fitzgerald with only 13 seconds remaining. Jason O'Neil earned an assist on the play. The win gave Orangeville the best of three series in straight games but Acton manager Richard Kilpatrick was pleased with his team's performance. "They beat us 5-0 the last time we met in league play," said Kilpatrick. In consolation play the Moms got goals from Gord Taillefer, Paul Kilpatrick, Mike Baker and John Van Dam, as they dominated New Hamburg. The second game of the consolation semi-final series is scheduled for New Hamburg tomorrow night (Thursday).

Plan June road race

by Gord Murray
Acton and area joggers, dust off your runners. There's a big race coming up.
Running season, for all but the most devoted, is just around the corner with the approach of spring.
Spring is an important conditioning period for the long summer jaunts to come.
But this year early conditioning is more important than ever because the Mayor's First Annual Road Race is set for June 24.
The event is being sponsored by the Halton Hills recreation department and Operation Action.
Action's Heather Leslie says the event is designed to further active living and the 5.5 kilometre race is open to Halton Hills residents of all ages. The emphasis will be on participation rather than competition.
The race will begin at 10.30 a.m. at Gordon Alcott Memorial Recreation Complex on Guelph Street, Georgetown. Awards will be presented at 12 noon.
Entrants must be Halton Hills residents and only the first 150 registrants will be allowed to enter.
There are six categories: boys and girls under 12; boys and girls age 13 to 18; men and women's seniors, age 19 to 34 for the guys; masters for men over 40 and women older than 35; and father-son or mother-daughter teams.
The entry fee is cheap, \$1, and entries will be accepted by mail up to Friday, June 22, or can be delivered to the recreation office at Alcott. No telephone entries will be accepted. Forms will be available after April 15 and are to be mailed to Recreation Department, Town of Halton Hills, 36 Main Street South, Georgetown. Cheques should be made payable to Town of Halton Hills.
Medals will go to the first, second and third male and female finishers in each category. Also the youngest competitor to complete the race, the oldest race-completing competitor and the first female and male to complete the race regardless of category will receive awards.
Every entrant who completes the race will receive a certificate as well as finishing time and position details.
The course runs from Alcott, down Guelph to Sinclair Avenue, over to Armstrong Avenue. Then it goes along Armstrong to a drinking station near Mountainview and across some property to Maple Avenue. The route follows Maple to River Road and over to Mountainview Road North. Runners go up Mountainview to Guelph and along Guelph back to the rink.
A few years ago the recreation department planned a road race for running mad Halton Hills which would have been through the Delrex area but police wouldn't approve the route and the event was cancelled. This route has been approved by the police.

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Firefighters even semi-final series with 8-2 victory over Petrolia

Acton Bantam Firefighters hopes for an Ontario Hockey Championship got a huge boost at the Community Centre on Monday night.
After dropping the first game of the best of five semi-final series 5-2 in Petrolia on the weekend the locals rebounded with a convincing 8-2 win on home ice to even the count at one game each.
Acton got on the board first in the game in Petrolia as Tim Evans found the range from Mark Duval on a power-play.
Petrolia, which is much larger man for man, fought back in the second period beating Acton goaltender Tim Baker three times to enable them a two goal lead heading into the final 15 minute period.
Acton pulled to within one early in the final frame as Mark Duval found the net unassisted.
Petrolia counted two over the remaining time as they recorded the 5-2 win and series lead.
Acton coach Steve Marshall was not pleased with his team's performance in game one feeling that they had taken too many silly penalties. Acton took 36 minutes in the game, 16 of those minutes in the second frame while Petrolia was scoring three goals.
Different story
Game two of the semi-final series was an entirely different story. Acton came out flying in the match and had control of a 7-0 lead before Petrolia could beat Tim Baker in the Acton goal.
Gord McArthur got things started for the Firefighters at 6:14 of the opening frame as he scored from Rick Greenley and Tim Evans.
The Firefighters tallied for a second time late in the second period as Rob Vermeulen blasted one home from Mark Duval.
Petrolia had a chance to pull close before the second frame ended. With Rick Smith in the penalty box for Acton, a Petrolia goal would have produced a 2-1 score after two periods and given the visitors time to regroup between periods.
The penalty to Smith worked the reverse for the Firefighters. Two shorthanded goals before the frame had ended gave the locals a 4-0 lead they would extend over the final frame.
Andy Vaivods was credited with the first shorthanded goal for Acton as he poked in a loose puck in front of the Petrolia net. A defensive miscue took a Petrolia defender and the team goaltender out of the play as Vaivods slid the puck into the open net.
The second shorthanded effort came off an individual effort from Mark Duval. Duval picked up a loose puck outmuscled the two Petrolia defencemen and beat goaltender Jeff Simpson with a well placed shot to the glove side.
McArthur restored

Firefighters seemed determined to show Petrolia that the lead they had obtained was no fluke. At only 44 seconds of the final frame Acton struck again. Duval was credited with the marker as Vermeulen and Gord McArthur drew assists.
Gord McArthur added his second goal of the game a short time later from Tim Evans and Vermeulen and Vermeulen made it 7-0 from Duval and Andy Vaivods before Petrolia got on the scoresheet.
McArthur restored



There wasn't much room in front of the Petrolia net during game two of the Ontario Minor Hockey "BB" bantam play-off but Gordie McArthur (arms extended) found enough daylight to slip the puck through for his third goal of the game as the Firefighters won an 8-2 decision to even the semi-final series at one game each. Petrolia won the first contest 5-2 in Petrolia. Game three of the series is scheduled for tonight (Wednesday) in Petrolia with game four in Milton at Thompson Road arena on Friday night at 8 p.m.

Minors near crown

Acton Beardmore Union Minor Pee-wees are only one point away from the Waterloo-Wellington league title.
Mike Hudson replied with a pair for Acton with Jamie Lawson assisting on the first. Goodall, again, went to work notching a pair to tie the score before Hudson's third of the game from Lawson gave Acton the game and series lead.
In the second game of their series, a 2-2 tie, the outline was much the same, only with less scoring.
Fergus jumped to a 2-0 lead in this contest and Acton was forced to tie the count with two goals in the last two minutes of the contest. Mike Hudson and Jamie Lawson fired the Acton goals with

Hudson, Les Berry, Tony Van Dam and David Thomas drawing assists.
In game three, a 5-3 Acton win, the locals came out firing as they scored three times early before allowing Fergus on the board with three of their own. Acton came back with a pair to record the win.
Jamie Lawson, Bruce Raine and Les Berry gave Acton the early lead in the contest with Berry, Lawson and Mike Hudson earning assists.
Fergus fought back over the middle part of the game to even the score only to have Les Berry and Mike Hudson add Acton goals to give them the win and a commanding series lead.

Summer '79 is just around the corner

by Robin Incoe
The Toronto Bluejays and Toronto Blizzards are making preparations for their up and coming season and so are many of the Acton sports groups.
Summer '79 is just around the corner and all systems seem to be go for another season of good fun and exercise on the sports and recreation front.
Along with baseball and soccer there are many other things offered to the people of Acton including lacrosse, swimming, the Halton Hills recreation programs, basketball, and roller skating.
Acton Minor Soccer has started early in preparation for 1979. They began a pre-season training session at McKenzie-Smith Middle School and M. Z. Bennett Public School on February 20 in hopes that their players would be in a better condition than any others in the area when it came time for their seasons to begin.
Any boys who are interested in playing soccer this year have been invited to attend the work-outs and register for the year.
Each Wednesday from 6.15 to 7.15 the seven and eight year olds will meet at the M. Z. Bennett gym. The nine and ten-year-olds will get in shape at the McKenzie-Smith gymnasium on Thursday evenings from 6.15 till 7.45 p.m. At 8.15 on Tuesday nights the 11 to 14 year olds go through training procedures at M. Z. Bennett followed by the 15 years through seniors at 9.30 p.m.
Acton Minor Baseball has also begun preparations for the new year, earlier than in the past.
With two registration dates already past, the ball group has another such event slated for Saturday, March 31.
Baseball will provide fun for young from the ages 6 to 19 provided there is interest at registration.
Minor ball executive member Bill Shannon said that there is a possibility of two bantam teams being entered in leagues this year.
At the end of last season there was speculation that the strong bantam team may enter a northern league to draw tougher competition and prepare them for Ontario playdowns. If this happens it is apparent they will enter another team in the Halton Rural League.
Acton Minor Lacrosse organizer Bob Turkosz said that registration would determine how many teams there are in Acton but he feels that there will be at least pee-wee and bantams.
At present Turkosz doesn't know what league

the Acton teams would play in but speculates they will try to gain permission to compete in a league with Fergus and Elora. "The Golden Horseshoe League the Ramblers competed in last season has made no move to operate again" said Turkosz. Arthur, which played in the league with Acton, is also expected to apply to the other league.
Last year, for the first time, Acton High School teacher Rick McArthur offered a recreational basketball season to the high school students and other interested parties.
The event was a huge success with over 100 people taking part. This year McArthur has had enquiries from many other people, both from Acton and other areas, asking if they could possibly get into the league. McArthur feels that if all register who have shown interest, the program

may have to be expanded to two nights.
Anybody interested in participating in the league need not be worried about their ability. The league is divided into three divisions according to ability, not age.
The Halton Hills recreation program is another popular item on the list of summer activities.
The 'playground' idea has vanished and in its place appears that individual centres will be offered.
Acton will have three centres open to the kids. A Sports Centre which will house all different kinds of recreational and interesting games, or a MAD Centre in which children can go and get involved in programs of Music, Art and Drama. Neither of the two activities have been assigned a definite location as of yet according to Acton recreation co-ordinator Jennifer Linton but a Camp and Outdoor Education Centre will be offered at Prospect Park. The course will offer camping, canoeing and nature trips and is open to all ages.
The three centres combined make up what used to be playground but the dividing of the subjects give the children a choice as to what they would like to do.
Registration for the recreation department's summer activities will not take place until June but the search for instructors and staff has already begun.
The summer swimming program at Lions' Pool will be much the same as last year's, according to pool supervisor Glen Campbell, swimming lessons, diving, synchronized swimming, and public and free swimming is all on the summer agenda.
In industrial baseball there are three leagues in town. The Acton Industrial League is made up of six local teams with sponsorship of local businesses. The league plays three games each Sunday and another on Monday evenings. Registration for the league is scheduled for April 1 and 8 with last year's players getting preference over newcomers.
The opening weekend of play will be May 6 with the usual Sunday afternoon tripleheader. Only change in the league this season will be Acton umpires working the games. They replace the Georgetown Umpires' Association.
The second industrial league with a representative in town is the Acton Merchants. The Merchants tangle in the Georgetown Industrial league with nine other area teams. The Merchants begin their season early with indoor workouts before taking to the field for league encounters beginning May 5 weekend.
Team coach Ray Graham is hoping to make some line-up changes for this season and use mainly Acton players on the team. Last year the Merchants went out of town looking for talent. "The only position that we may need outside help with" said Graham, "is the pitching."
Anyone who feels they are solid ball players and wish a chance to play with the Merchants can contact Ray Graham at J and T Sports. Home games are expected to be Thursday nights.
Third league of industrial stature is what is known as the Condominium league. This is purely a recreational league where the players get together and have a good time.
There were six men's teams and six women's teams in this league last year with the umpires coming from teams that weren't playing.
In ladies' fastball, Acton will have an entry in the Halton Ladies' fastball league competing with teams from Georgetown, Milton, Glen Williams and Surrounding areas.
The team is hoping to play its home games at Prospect Park on Tuesday nights but is, at present, in desperate need of a coach. Any ladies who are interested in playing competitive ball, or coaching, can call Susan Poulson at 853-2851.
One other recreational activity that will be offered to the public this summer is roller skating at the Community Centre.
Arena manager Harold Townsley said that roller skating will definitely be on the summer agenda but may be offered on Tuesday and Thursdays instead of Tuesdays and Fridays.
Along with all the organized activities there are still recreation areas that are open to the public. Tennis and golf both give one an opportunity to play by membership or on a once-in-a-while basis.
Another summer activity becoming more and more popular is jogging.
With all the activities offered to the people of Acton, young and old alike, it is hard to believe when people say, "there is nothing to do in this town." The Sports and Recreation sure has a full slate for the Summer of '79. Let's get rid of the rest of the snow and play ball, lacrosse, golf, basketball, soccer, etc.