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Troy Foster



Top scorer — Atom  
Tom Turtcher



Goaltender — Novice  
Philip Laundriault

# Silverware aplenty for Legion talent as 'Day of Champions' ends season

by Robin Incoe  
Acton Legion Minor Hockey brought a successful end to the 1978-79 season on Saturday as they held their annual "Day of Champions."



MIP — Pee-wee  
Bob Watson

Action was furious all day as 26 teams participated with six teams skating away with league titles.

The morning began with consolation games. The first match of the day was a pee wee battle with Tidewater outdoing Baltimore 4-2.

Bill Morrison started things off for Tidewater with an early goal from Ted Lindsay. Ian Paul added a second Tidewater counter from Richard Gardin and Bill Morrison added a third before the period ended while only Doug Bennett could find the net for Baltimore.



Top scorer — Bantam  
Barry McNabb

Nick Fryers added a second period goal for Tidewater to bring their

total to four while Jerry Herrington scored for Baltimore.

In an atom consolation game Oshawa edged London 2-1 with two second period goals (in consolation games the teams played two 15 minute periods).

Chris Hughes got London on the board first with an unassisted effort at 3:25 of the opening frame but that was all his team could manage.

In the second period Oshawa rallied with two goals from Kevin Brown, the last one coming with less than two minutes to play, with Tom Turtcher adding assists on both goals and Lloyd Neville helping on one.



MIP — Bantam  
Danny Waites

A late second period goal by Scott Brown lifted Oakville to a 3-2 win over Brampton in novice consolation.

The two teams exchanged goals in the first period with Bill Botetzayas scoring from Tommy Nolan and Jason Heideman for Brampton and Scott Brown netting one from Brydon Gilliss and Sean Coleman for Oakville.

Each team added another in the early parts of the second stanza with Botetzayas, again, netting the Brampton goal with Dean Lawson and Trevor Prueter assisting. Oakville's goal came off the stick of



Top scorer — Pea-wee  
Bill Morrison

Dennis Swinamer with Brydon Gilliss and Ed Sleep helping.

Scott Brown's goal from Gareth Marks proved to be the winner late in the game.

In another novice consolation game Sean Sears' goal late in the game broke Weston's shut-out as they skated to a 4-1 win over Guelph.

Derek Bottomley scored the game's next two goals with Jason Ash and Jason Petty each picking up an assist to give Weston a 3-0 lead.

Greg Waller fired the last Weston goal from Paul Lantigne before Sears connected with help from Marty McAffee.

In a bantam consolation contest the Cougars came back with three goals in the last five minutes to record a 4-2 win over the Toros.



Top scorer — Midget  
Gord Scott

scoring for the Cougars from Ted Gunn and then sat back and watched as Paul McGinn fired a pair to give the Toros a lead with 7:42 to play. Gordon Springle and Lormer McGinn picked up assists for the Toros.

Malcolm Warhurst gave the Cougars hope with a goal at the 7:21 mark of the second and last frame from Scott Petty and then Warhurst gave the Cougars a lead 35 seconds later, beating Jocko Garton in the Toros' net.



Goaltender — League  
Jocko Garton

Greg Cowan added an insurance marker with only four seconds remaining from Mike Phelan.

Other consolation bantam action saw the Aeros outscore the Oilers in the first period and then hold on over a scoreless second frame for a 3-2 win.

The Oilers got the game's first two goals as Bob Brouillard and Rob Little fired markers less than three minutes into the opening frame. Greg Maltby, and Little drew Aero assists.

The Oilers fought back over the middle part of the period, picking up goals from Ed Ninabar and David Allen to pull even after allowing the Aeros to wrap things up



Pea-wee selects  
Scott Hibbard

Maltby, Danny Waites and Maltby drew Aero assists.

In the final consolation game of the day Vancouver, led by Gord Scott, scored a 3-1 win over Toronto.

Paul Campbell opened the game's scoring from Gord Scott at 12:05 of the opening frame.

Ted James evened the count for Toronto at 6:35 from Bob Brouillard and Lindsay McQueen but it would be the only time that they would put the puck into the Vancouver goal.

A pair of goals by Gord Scott in the second frame clinched the win for Vancouver. Russell Allen picking up an assist for the winners.



MIP — Juvenile  
Rob Boomer

Championship games Kitchener could not hold on to a 1-0 third period lead against Dixie in the novice final as they dropped a close fought 3-2 decision.

Kitchener got on the board first as Douglas Neeley scored from Jason Dodd and Brandon Canary in the first period.

The one goal lead looked as if it may hold up until Dixie exploded for three goals within six minutes to take control of



Top scorer — Juvenile  
Dave McGilloway

the contest. Shawn McFadden fired the first Dixie marker with Tim Briggs and Pat Johnson getting assists.

Michael Brouwer gave the Dixie side their first lead of the game with 8:05 remaining to play with Shawn McFadden and Tim Briggs assisting.

McFadden picked up his third point of the game as he fired the goal that proved to be the winner with just under

eight minutes remaining from Tim Tibbetts.

John Ford brought Kitchener close with an assist from Douglas Neeley with only 1:17 remaining but Dixie held on for the win and championship trophy.

Hamilton came back from a 1-0 first period deficit to score twice in the second and then hold on over the final 15 minutes to record the 2-1 win from St. Kitts and take top honors in atom action.

Jason Stanbridge put St. Kitts in a lead with 2:36 remaining in the opening frame with Raymond Authier assisting but it was the only time they would put the puck behind Spencer Smith in the Hamilton goal.



Top scorer — Novice  
Kevin Harris

Kevin Ritchie evened the score at 4:06 of the second frame with Philip Wedge assisting. Craig Collison talked what proved to be the winner as the period wound down from Paul Porly.

St. Kitts pulled their goaltender with 1:02 remaining to play but could not beat Smith.

Rochester and Cleveland played even over the first and third periods of the pee wee final on Saturday but three unanswered second frame markers gave Rochester a 5-4 win and the pee wee title.

Chris Stansbury and Eddy Wilson fired first period goals for Cleveland with Wilson, Richard Kilpatrick and Stansbury drawing assists. Rochester fired only one in the opening frame, coming off the stick of Garnet Trowbridge with Craig Bottomley assisting.

The second period belonged to Rochester as they got goals from John Towgood, Sean Heatley and Ted Nessett to take control of the contest.

Ted Nessett added another Rochester goal in the final frame while Eddy Wilson fired two for Cleveland, making the contest interesting until the buzzer sounded signifying that Rochester had won the trophy rights.

Anyone walking in to the Community Centre during the final period of the bantam final would have thought that the Jets were winning the battle but the final outcome saw the Whalers

record a 3-1 win.

The Whalers got on the board first as Paul Nolan found the net from Gary White. Early in the second frame the Jets pulled even as Dave Dunne netted the twin from Dean Hughes but with only three seconds remaining in the middle stanza the Whalers grabbed a lead they would not relinquish as Andy Cunningham scored from Paul Nolan.

The Jets applied constant pressure over the final 15 minutes, missing several good

scoring opportunities.



MIP — Atom  
Chris Stewart

The Whalers got out of their own end once during the final frame, giving them the chance to score the insurance marker as Paul Nolan tallied on a break-a-way.

The midget and juvenile finals were not as closely contested as the younger players' games. Detroit hammered Montreal 8-3 for the midget title while Chicago topped Boston 10-2 in the juvenile game.

Derek Neeley paced Detroit in their midget win with four goals: Les Nadhazi counted three times. Mike Marshall added the other Detroit tally.

Marty Collerton  
MIP — Midget  
Jim Britton

counted twice for the losers while Paul Marchment scored the other.

The juvenile game was a closely contested affair over the opening frame as the teams split four goals but from that point on it was all Chicago.

Dave McGilloway counted four times for the winners with Mike Morris netting three. Rob Boomer, Randy McIntyre and Trefor Gardner added singles.

Dave Johnson and Gary Williams replied for Boston.



Novice house league champs were Dixie. Team members front row 1. to r. Bobby Davey, Dean Barkosky, Kevin Usher, Shawn McFadden, Andy Smith, Back, Tim Briggs, Tim Tibbetts, Mike Brower, Troy Foster, Pat Johnston and coach Herb Dodds.



Chicago captured the first ever house league play-off for juvenile aged players. Team members, front row 1. to r. include Rusty Miller, Dave McGilloway, Steve Mitchell, Randy McIntyre, Trefor Gardner, back row, Terry Winters, Rob Boomer, Rob Rowe, Mike Morris and coach Norm Merrin.



Detroit skated off with the midget house league honors. Team members are front row 1. to r. Dave Mitchell, Mike Marshall, Larry Kee, Derrick Neeley, John Semeneck. Back row, coach Charlie McGinn, Rick Lott, Larry Benville, Neville Porter and Les Nadhazi. Team mascot Gordie Mitchell guards the trophy.



Rochester topped the Legion pee-wee crown. Front row 1. to r. Tim Garton, Sean Heatley, Jamie Taras, John McGrath, Ted Nessett, Scott Nowlan, John Towgood, back, Craig Bottomley, Don McDonald, Mark Armstrong, Garnet Trowbridge, Shawn Taras, Steven McGinn, Craig Johnson, Scott Jeffery and coach Bob Heatley.



The Whalers edged the Jets for the bantam crown. Front row 1. to r. Todd Smith, Mike Cleary, Paul Nolan, Dwayne McCoy, Mark Dawkins, Bob Phillips. Back, team mascot Michelle Pilgrim, coach Ken Pilgrim, Chris Wood, Ray Scott, Rick Papillon, Gary White and Andrew Cunningham.



Hamilton took the atom house league title. Front row 1. to r. Michael Arble, Ron Robinson, Greg Landriault, Kevin Ritchie, Spencer Smith, Mike Nellis, Paul Porly, Darren Robb. Back, manager Tony Smith, Craig Collison, David Slaney, Phillip Wedge, Robbie Leopardi, Ron Woolley, Peter Van der Eyken and coach Ken Slaney.