

Town overlooks many sports awards recipients

by Gord Murray

Thursday, Halton Hills councillors presented awards to members of four teams and 11 individuals, who brought honor and recognition to the town in athletics for 1977 and 1978 but ended overlooking more than 10 teams and individuals from the area who were equally deserving.

Following is a list of those, some believe, who meet the criteria to receive an award from the municipality.

1) Kris Barber of Glen Williams, who in 1978 represented this country at the World Junior Figure Skating Championship in France and with

partner Kelly Johnson won a silver medal.

2) Kevin Parker of Campbellville represented Canada in Senior Figure Skating competitions in France and Germany in 1978.

3) Ian Clark of Georgetown captured the 1978 Canadian Junior Men's Cross-Country Championship.

4) Georgetown Chrysler Raiders won the 1976-77 OHA Intermediate "A" hockey championship and were Eastern Canadian Hardy Cup champions.

5) Acton Major Atoms captured the Ontario zone "A" title in the 1977-78 season disposing of

Milton in the final.

6) Peter Fournier won a gold medal at the OFFSA wrestling championships in 1978.

7) Georgetown's bantam girls' bowling team of Tereza Mastack, Lori Brading, Suzanne Carpenter, and Kelly McCorry and Julie McCorry won the world championship in 1978.

8) Bob Daniell of Georgetown won the Ontario Master cross-country championships in 1978.

9) Stacey Hurley of Georgetown, with her partner Tory Thomas, won the Ontario Junior Open Girls' Under 14 doubles tennis cham-

ampionship.

10) Kevin Frank, Kirk Warnock and Chris Manhire won gold medals at the Ontario pre-junior olympic wrestling championships.

11) Frank, Mike Wroblewski, Ken Ward, Mike Taylor, Bill Davis and Manhire were members of the Canadian team which placed second at the 12-nation World Schoolboy Freestyle Wrestling Championships in 1978.

12) Wrestler Clive Llewellyn represented Canada at the Commonwealth Games in 1978.

13) In 1977, Rick Ridges won the Canadian Open Wrestling championship.

Mayor Peter Pomeroy when questioned after Thursday's ceremony, admitted the town had overlooked a number of worthy recipients in the sports field.

He explained only those nominated by the public are considered for the awards.

Pomeroy suggested people of such local prominence as Barber and Clark were overlooked because everyone expected they'd be nominated.

He agreed the town's recreation director, Glen Gray, should know who the top athletes are and if they should have been chosen for awards.

Pomeroy, who wondered

aloud why Gray wasn't on hand for the awards night, said he thought Gray or someone in the recreation department could have submitted names of those overlooked even though the public didn't submit them.

"We are going to have to catch up," he said, adding those who were overlooked will likely be invited to a council meeting later this year and presented with awards.

Area recreation coordinator Anne Pickering, who was at the awards ceremony and received recognition for her accomplishments in swimming, said the recreation department encourages the public to submit names. "I don't know where theonus is," she said, referring to who

Baseball begins

Industrial baseball shifts into full swing this week.

Sunday afternoon Acton Industrial matches have Unisal Construction tangling with Family Cleaners at 4 p.m. At 6 p.m. Halton Hills Electric meets J and T Sports and in the night-cap Station Hotel swings into gear with Vans' Welding Team lists were published in the April 18 issue of the Acton Free Press.

The Merchants get ready to open their regular season this weekend but as a final tune-up will battle with the Rockwood juniors at Prospect Park tonight (Wednesday) at 8 p.m.

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Sabres may lose Milton as rivals in loop facelift

by Gord Murray

Georgetown Gemini and Acton Sabres could be losing one of their best rivalries if Milton Flyers are moved to another Junior "B" loop.

Georgetown Gemini president Bob Girdwood attended Saturday's OHA meetings and came back with word the face of the Central Junior "B" could be drastically changed next year.

would put Gems and Sabres in the same league as Brampton Chevys, Bramalea Blues, Dixie Beehives and Streetsville Derbys.

Milton and Burlington Cougars would shift over to a Hamilton area based loop. Barrie Colts, Thornhill Thunderbirds, Orillia Travelways and Oak Ridges Dynes would shift to a Toronto based.

Toronto area league and Orillia would join some northern teams.

The fifth plan sees the 12 team Central Junior "B" remaining intact but with the possible addition of Owen Sound to make 13, Girdwood said. He explained Owen Sound has applied for a Junior "B" franchise but it hasn't been accepted as yet.

He said the team has already reached agreement with Tri-County to move its Sunday games to Saturday so the Junior "B" can have Alcott for Sunday nights and this desire has been passed on to arena manager Don Gosling.

If Gems move to Sunday they'll be playing more Tuesday games than ever before. Brampton and Orillia already have first and second call on Sunday nights.

This proposal is favored by Vern Gooding, owner of the Milton Flyers hockey club.

Sabres mentor Fred Buchanan feels that this is the best proposal put forward of the five proposed since it would cut down on travelling but it would lose the strong gate attraction with Milton, Oakville and Burlington.

Proposal four would bring Milton back in with Acton and Georgetown. Joining the three North Halton teams would be Barrie, Burlington, Hamilton, Oak Ridges and Thornhill, Oakville Blades, Brampton, Streetsville and Dixie would move into a

proposal for one or two sponsors after receiving word that SB McLaughlin Associates won't sponsor them again.

Georgetown president Girdwood reiterated his previous pledge the Gems will operate a fifth season.

It is also reported that rumors continue to circulate that Thornhill will drop back to Junior "C" but in talks with Thunderbird officials he said he didn't manage to get a confession.

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Acton swimmers help Guelph team

Guelph Marlin Aquatic Club hosted and beat some young members of the St. Catharines Swim Club at a dual GRAA meet.

The Guelph nine and ten year old girls, with the help of Acton's Adrienne Kovacs shut-out the St. Catharines team, taking all six places in each of their four events.

Miss Kovacs, who changed age groups in April earned two six place finishes in freestyle and breaststroke, a fifth in backstroke, and a second in fly.

Peter Bray, who also changed age groups in April, helped the Guelph nine and ten-year-olds with a second place finish in fly, fourths in freestyle and backstroke and a sixth place standing in breast.

Mark Bray finished the meet with a total of 19 points second on the boys' team for total points contribution.

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