

Junior cagers undefeated in league

Acton Junior Girls basketball team is making a name for themselves around the Halton County School league and the tournament circuit.

The Acton team is hosting a three game unbeaten record in league play, tying them for first place with T.A. Blacklock of Oakville.

In tournament play the Acton team has found their first round opponents tough but after that it has been easy sailing to two consolation championships in as many tries. The two first round losses at the tournaments came to Collingwood (in overtime) and last weekend to Grey Highlands 20-17.

The Redmen have not been hard pressed in their league play. After destroying Queen Elizabeth Park last week the

Redmen have recorded wins against Perdue High School 60-21 and White Oaks 45-19.

In the Saugeen Junior Girls Basketball Tournament in Port Elgin the girls took the consolation with a 27-15 win over Collingwood and a 42-11 victory over Georgian Bay after their loss to Grey Highlands.

Both league games were out of town for the Redmen this week but home court had no advantage to the other clubs.

The Redmen whitewashed the Perdue team in the first quarter of that game building up a 17-0 first quarter lead to take control. The Acton team maintained the lead over the second period to hold a 29-8 lead at the half. A big third quarter built the Acton lead to 47-10 before Perdue could

double their score producing a 61-20 final.

Linda Osso and Deb Clarke carried the Acton scores with 12 points each while Dayle Robinson and Teresa Dunn contributed eight apiece. Top rebounders for the local team were Marion Case and Dayle Robinson.

Their second league match of the week was closer than the first with Acton scoring a 45-19 win. Again the Acton team was not hard pressed.

Acton counted 17 points in the first quarter on their way to a 17-4 lead and extended the margin to 26-9 by the half.

A single third quarter point was all the White Oaks offence could manage in the third period while Acton bounced in another 15.

Kelly White and Linda

Oso led the Acton scorers. White picked up 14 points and Oso 13. Kelly White was the top rebounder of the game for Acton while Barb Wilson and Deb Clarke received praise from coaches Anne Lepik and Lyn McLaren for their offense.

McLaren was especially pleased with the team's rookies. The newcomers to the squad received at least half the floor time in their two league wins this week and according to McLaren "held their own".

In the Saugeen tournament on the weekend the Acton contingent had total control of their first round match holding a 16-10 lead in the third quarter of their opening match but managed only a single point in the

fourth period as Grey Highlands came back for a 20-17 win relegating Acton to consolation play.

Linda Osso netted nine points for Acton in the contest with Mardie Phillips counting four. Kelly White was the top rebounder for Acton with Barb Wilson playing tough defense.

In the consolation semi-final Acton disposed of Collingwood with a 27-15 victory. Acton had trouble getting their bearings in the first half of the match trailing by one at the half. Acton shut the door on any Collingwood baskets in the third quarter and allowed only three fourth period points as they came back for the win.

Linda Osso provided over half the Acton offense, netting 14 points

while Mardie Phillips and Kelly White counted four each. Dayle Robinson and Kelly White were the top rebounders while Barb Wilson and Mardie Phillips were the toughest on defense.

In the consolation final Acton had little trouble in disposing of Georgian Bay 42-11. The Acton defense was stingy in the contest allowing the opposition only one point in the first half and two in the final period. Eight Bay points came in the third period.

The offense was well spread out for Acton with four players, Linda Osso, Mardie Phillips, Lori DeBruyn and Deb Clarke counting six points each.

Coaches McLaren and Lepik pointed out Deb Clarke and Sandra Brundie for their fine play.



It's the start of a long season. Long time hockey great "Sonny" Townsley, second left, and Acton Minor Hockey Association President Bruce Cargill drop the first puck of the rep hockey season

Saturday afternoon. Taking the first face-off are novice level captains, Rene Van Kesteren, left, for Acton and Ronny Waters for Woolwich. Acton lost the game.

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It was a different story when the Acton Sabres met the Streetsville Derbys at the Community Centre on Friday night. The first time the clubs met, the Acton Defense left goaltender Rob Bremner unprotected to handle sometimes three and four Derbys alone. They lost that game 10-3. Friday the defense

protected the netminder and the Sabres, despite losing stayed close to the defending Ontario champs falling 5-4. Here, defencemen Jamie Vickery and Mike Rippon make sure the Derbys stay away as Bremner keeps a close eye on his pad and the puck. Photo by ERIC ELSTON

Sabres show improvement earn 7-7 tie with Oak Ridges

Acton Sabres doubled their previous season goal total on the weekend picking up a tie in Oak Ridges Monday evening 7-7.

The week was not a productive one (point-wise) for the Sabres, who lost two and tied one in three games, but it showed a marked improvement for the local club that had been out-classed almost each time they hit the ice earlier in the year.

The Sabres were in Barrie on Thursday night and despite an 8-1 setback played well enough to win, according to the team's coach, Fred Buchanan. The Sabres hit hot goaltending at the

Colts end of the ice while Bremner was left unprotected at the Sabre end. Acton outshot Barrie 48 to 25 in the losing effort.

The following night the Sabres served notice to the powerful Streetsville Derbys that they would no longer be a pushover. The Sabres held the Derbys close for half the contest the first time they met but the Derbys moved ahead in the final 30 minutes for a 10-3 win. This time the Sabres made the Streetsville team scramble to score a 5-4 edge.

On Monday the Sabres trailed 5-1 in Oak Ridges but a fight at the midpoint of the second period brought the locals to life

as they fought back to a 7-7 tie. Glenn Murray paced the Acton attack with three goals.

In Barrie last Thursday the Sabres took a period to get rolling and by then it was too late. Barrie fired four first period goals and added an early second period tally before Glenn Murray netted the (twice from Greg Hartman and Bob Ailsop on a power-play to give Acton what would be their only marker.

Buchanan was impressed with Colts' goaltender Dunc Brownell in the match. "He was out of this world," stated Buchanan.

On Friday night at home to Streetsville the Sabres started rookie netminder Steve Kruk to give veteran Rob Bremner a rest but by the 12 minute mark of first period Bremner was back between the pipes stopping rubber.

The Sabres almost pulled a point out of the match with a goal with less than three minutes remaining but a referee's call nullified the goal and it still has coach Buchanan fuming. Buchanan said that Lance Dexter fired the puck into the net after Sabres' Barry Trood and a Streetsville defender slid into the net.

"It was a bad call by the referee" said

Buchanan. "He ruled that our players went into the net on his own but the Derby was still sitting on top of him when Lance (Dexter) put the puck in the net."

Nevertheless the Sabres showed admirably in the contest. Trailing 4-1 in the third period they did the unusual, came from behind.

Glenn Murray picked up three points for Acton with a goal and two assists while Bob Ailsop added one of each. The Sabres fell behind 2-0 early in the first but pulled close on Lance Dexter's goal from Ailsop and Murray before the period ended. Streetsville extended their lead to 3-1 in the second and 4-1 early in the final frame before Acton struck again.

Murray pulled the Sabres to within two with Brad Buchanan's assist but the Derbys regained their three goal margin a short time later.

The Sabres didn't quit as Pat Fung and Bob Ailsop countered to pull the Sabres within one. Murray and Lance Dexter drew assists.

The Sabres fought hard over the final minutes looking for the equalizer and thought they had it until the goal was disallowed.

Buchanan was exceptionally pleased with his team's performance in

the game. "It was a super game and a super effort. We put it together," said the coach. "If we continue to improve we'll be heard from."

Heard from they were Monday in Oak Ridges as they battled the Dynes to a 7-7 tie. The Sabres overcame a 5-1 second period deficit scoring with 2:29 remaining to earn the draw.

The powerplay was Acton's mainstay in the game as they potted four goals while Oak Ridges had a player in the penalty box.

Glenn Murray fired three Acton markers with Pat Fung, Denis Carboneau, Shawn Doyle and Rob Jeffries adding the others. Brad Buchanan and Barry Trood picked up a pair of assists each for Acton with Steve Miller, Pat Fung and John York helping with singles.

The Sabres didn't seem to be in the contest according to coach Buchanan until a fight involving Sabre Mike Hippon broke out at the 15 minute mark of second frame. At that point the Sabres trailed 5-2.

This week the Sabres are in Brampton for a Thursday contest, are home to Thornhill on Saturday night at 8:30 p.m. and then play a return match with the Thunderbirds next Tuesday, October 30.

Midgets remain unbeaten top Fergus in W-W opener

Acton's Ed's-In-n-out Midgets kept their unbeaten string alive over the past week as they finished off their exhibition season with a 3-1 win before opening their Waterloo-Wellington league schedule with an impressive 11-3 win over Fergus.

In their final exhibition game of the year the In-n-outers met a much improved team over the squad they had played a week earlier.

Caledon scored the game's first goal of the penalty filled match at the midpoint of the second period and it looked as if the lone tally was going to be enough for the win until Acton tallied three unanswered goals in the final frame.

Denis Kirton fired the first Acton marker from Gord McArthur and Mike Monahan at the period's midpoint to even the count and then two minutes later it was Kirton again, this time from Monahan and Derek Hodgson, to give Acton their first lead of the contest.

Mark Duval put the icing on the cake for Acton as he netted the twine from Gary Lumbers only 20 seconds after Kirton had given them the lead.

Acton took a total of 36 minutes in the penalty filled game while Caledon picked up 34 minutes.

The In-n-outers showed their scoring punch against the Green Machine from Fergus on Monday evening as they pounded home 11 markers in major midget action.

Acton took three minutes to get rolling in the contest but once they began they rarely let up outshooting Fergus 43-22.

Mike Monahan started the Acton scoring parade with his first of three goals. Fergus came back to even the count but it was as close as the host club came.

Gary Lumbers was the top Acton point-getter over the game picking up a goal and four assists while Denis Kirton found

the target on four different occasions. Tim Ferguson added a pair of Acton goals while Rob Vermeulen, and Gord McArthur added singles. Rick Miller earned

500 Club

The Acton Waterloo-Wellington Minor Hockey Association began its 500 Club draws recently with 15 winners of \$30 already being named.

For the week of October 6 winners included Ron Swackhammer 348, Louise Clark 447, Jim Lindsay 7, Claude Couture 192, and A. Winters 402.

For the week of October 13 winners included Fran Gibson 253, J. McNabb 38, Carl Costello 307, Bill Cook 380, and George Athanasulis 168.

Winners for the week of October 20 were Wayne Allan 24, Shirley Turkosz 185, John Pink 337, Gwen Last 286 and Ray Kempel 47.

Atoms score shutout

The Waterloo-Wellington league schedule began on the weekend at the Acton Community Centre with the Acton Major Atoms scoring an impressive 10-0 shut-out win over Elora.

The Acton team started slow in the match but were in high gear in the final frame as they pounded home six of their ten markers. A lone first period goal and three second period tallies gave the Atoms a 4-0 lead before they came to life. Sean Fitzgerald and

Paul Kilpatrick paced the Acton attack with two goals each while Paul Cargill collected three assists.

Coach Dan McGilloway was pleased with the way his team skates. "They played a well-positioned hockey for the first game of the year," said McGilloway. "The passing and shooting were good and the scoring was well spread out over the three lines."

Gord Taillefer, David Haynes, Dean Cote and

Mike Baker each counted a goal and an assist for Acton with Chris Rogers and Jason O'Neil firing solo goals. Tom Atherton and John Moran also hit the score sheet for the Acton side, earning a pair of assists each.

Doug McKnight and Troy Nolan shared the shut-out for the Major Atoms.

The team is idle until next Tuesday evening when they travel to Orangeville for a 7 p.m. match.



Karen Brill battles for position with other competitors during the midget girls' race at the Halton County High School Championships at Kelso last Wednesday. Georgetown runners had little trouble in capturing the event. For details see page B2.

West scores big wins over Acton pee-wees

The name Terry West will long be remembered to members of the Acton Major Pee-wee Hockey team as the player who spoiled their opening weekend of the 1979-80

Waterloo-Wellington season. West fired 11 goals and assisted on two others over two games as Elora took a pair from the former Acton Atom Zone

Champions on the weekend.

Elora, or West, scored a 9-6 win in the league opener in Acton on Saturday and when the two teams returned to Elora on Monday the Elora squad posted a 7-1 victory.

To say West played a big part in the first game would be an understatement. The young Elora puckster netted eight of the teams nine goals while assisting on the other tally.

The teams played even for the first two periods of the contest in Acton with Mike Hudson firing a pair of goals for Acton with Heath Norton assisting on both.

In the second stanza the teams traded three goals, Hudson fired another pair for Acton with Grant Smith adding the other. Terry Danagher and Brad O'Neill picked up assists for Acton in the period.

In the final frame Elora's West went on a rampage scoring four

times, three unassisted while Danagher was the only local to light the lamp from Tony Van Dam and Sandy Waites.

In the second meeting between the two teams it looked as if it would be a completely opposite affair to the first game as Acton netted the twine for the games first goal in the second period. The goal, netted by Hudson with Van Dam assisting, stood up until the final minute of the second stanza when two quick Elora goals gave them the lead.

Elora didn't quit over the final frame as they blasted five more goals home to give them the sweep of the opening weekend of play.

Acton coach Barry Insoe is pleased with the way new team players Brad O'Neill and Ted Morrisette are fitting in with the outfit in their first season. Insoe added that the Elora goaltending they faced in Elora was the best pee-wee netminding he had seen in some time.

Weather hampers arena conditions

The recent warm weather hampered activities at Acton Community Centre on the weekend causing a thick fog on the ice. It became so thick Sunday public skating and Acton Industrial Hockey League action had to be postponed. Public skating lasted only about ten minutes, according to arena manager Harold Townsley, who put a halt to the activities. Later, on the same evening the industrial action lasted ten minutes before officials and referees called the match.

The industrial games cancelled are being

rescheduled for the week between Christmas and New Year's a league organizer said, if it can be arranged between all teams.

In industrial action this week Family Cleaners meets Acton Terminal Warehouse in a 7 p.m. match, Lakeview and Hillers square off at 8:20 p.m. and Blow Press tangles with Van's Welding in a 9:40 p.m. contest.

Saturday's Waterloo-Wellington League openers were also marred by the fog but the day was completed after several delays.