Bench strength. Acton High School teachers had plently of participants when they tangled with a team of students in a floor hockey game at 'Sports Nite.' Lyn McLaren, Anne Lepik, Bruce Andrews and Bill Coats cheer fellow teammates on.

Sixty minutes hurting Sabres

The never ending saga of the troubles of the Acton Sabres continue.

Over the past week the Sabres dropped three more Central Ontario Junior 'B' decisions bringing their total number of losses for the season to 19.

The Sabres were topped 8-1 in Dixie on Thursday night and then returned home on Saturday to play 45 minutes of fine hockey outscoring the Oakville Blades 7-4. However, in the final 15 minutes Oakville scored a 6-0 win leaving the Sabres on the losing end of a 10-7 decision to the Blades. On Monday night the Sabres came up with another fine 45 minute performance before dropping a 12-8 decision to Oak Ridges.

The Dixie match was what Acton coach Jules Russiani considered the only time the Sabres have actually been beaten since he took over: "This time we didn't beat ourselves", said Russiani. "They totally outplayed, outskated and outshot us," commented the coach.

Acton's goal scorer for the game was not reported.

In the Oakville contest the Sabres got what Russiani is calling the "third period blues." They can't maintain and hold a lead," said Russiani. "A couple of bad mistakes and penalties cost us.

The game started off with a bang for Acton as they built up a 3-0 first period lead before Oakville could net the twine behind Rob Bremner with a pair in the final four minutes.

In the second stanza the Sabres and the Blades played a scoreless first 15 minutes before Acton was able to regain their three goal margin with a pair of markers within two, minutes of each other.

The Sabres couldn't stand the prosperity of the three goal lead as once again they allowed Oakville two late goals to close the gap to one.

The final frame started out fine for the Sabres as they soon rebuilt their three goal margin but then the roof caved in. Oakville fired six unanswered goals over the final 14 minutes and 25 seconds as they dashed any hopes of the Sabres second win of the year.

Barry Trood and Roy Dollman each fired two goals for the Sabres with Pat Fung, Jamie Vickery and Steve Miller adding singles. Wade Vickery made a successful home debut for the Sabres earning three assists while Neil Anderson and Denis Charbonneau picked up a pair of helpers each.

Pat Fung, Steve Miller, Bob Allsop, Barry Trood, and Mike Rippon added single assists for the locals.

On Monday night in Oak Ridges the Sabres again got the 'third period blues' as they let a 7-7 tie slip away as the Dynes scored a 12-8 win.

Again, the goal scorers were not available but coach Russiani said his team put out a 'real good' two period effort. The Sabres trailed 7-5 heading into the final stanza but two early goals pulled the blue and orange close before they gave way.

"The defence is just not taking their man," says Russiani and it has cost us in the last three or four games."

In action this week the Sabres are in Dixie for their second straight Thursday night battle and then on Saturday entertain the Milton Flyers in an 8:30 p.m. start.

SABRE SHORTS: Look for Russiani and the Sabres to pull out all the stops this weekend when the Milton Flyers are in town. The Sabres are looking to escape the Central League cellar and a win over the Flyers would give them a one point edge. Look for a midget line of Mike Monahan, Gary Lumbers and Denis Kirton to be suited up for the Sabres.

Brad Buchanan and Roy Dollman were unable to make the trip to Oak Ridges on Monday. Both had to work.

Town league tallies

Novice

Brampton 3. Goals: Marty McAffee (3), Jason Ash, Kent Petty. **Assists:** Tim Briggs, Jason Piper. **Guelph 4. Goals:** David Thorpe (2), Dale Kohlsmith, Chris O'Neil. **Assists:** Chris O'Neil.

Dixie 8. Goals: Jason Boose (5), Scott Rowsell. **Assists:** Sean Yamashita, Paul Coverdale, Dean Barkosky. **Weston 1. Goal:** Gareth Marks.

Atom

London 4. Goals: Ken Phillips (2), Scott Brown, Darryl Bartlett. **Assists:** Glen Billington, Darryl Bartlett, Doug Neeley, Rick Phillips. **St. Kitts 4. Goals:** Darryl Johnson, David Paul, Peter Van der Eyken, Kevin Harris. **Assists:** Chris Nibbs, Tim Oakley, David Paul.

Hamilton 4. Goals: Kevin Ritchie (2), Mike Arbic, Duane Avery. **Assists:** Kevin Ritchie. **Oshawa 2. Goals:** Emanuel Kritikos, Dwayne Death. **Assists:** Emanuel Kritikos, Dwayne Death, Jason Dodd, Duff McGillivray.

Pee Wee

Baltimore 8. Goals: Kevin Brown (3), John Haddon, Warren Blain, Dan Wood, Mathew Lutzi, Tom Turtscher. **Assists:** Andrew Ferguson (2), Warren Blain, Kevin Brown. **Rochester 2. Goals:** Shawn Taras, Randy McIntyre.

Cleveland 2. Goals: Chris Stewart, Jack Ninabar. **Assists:** Stephen Harkins. **Tidewater 2. Goals:** Raymond Authier, Tom Van der Eyken. **Assists:** Rick Ripley, Gary Coverdale.

Bantam

Aeros 4. Goals: Mike McNabb (3), Matt Wakelin. **Oilers 1. Goals:** Gord Springle. **Assist:** Rick Chapman.

Rockies 2. Goals: Chris Hisaki (2). **Whalers 2. Goals:** Gary White (2).

Cougars 3. Goals: Clayton Oakley (2), Jerry Herrington (2), Mike Dunham. **Assists:** Mike Chapman, Jerry Herrington, Clayton Oakley. **Jets. 4. Goals:** Jamie Taras (3), Bill Gordon. **Assists:** Scott McDonough (3), Chris Lobsinger.

Juveniles

Chicago 3. Goals: Dave Johnson (3), Les Nadhazi (3), Gord Scott, Rob Boomer. **Assists:** Gord Scott (3), Russ Allen (2), Les Nadhazi, Rob Boomer, Jim Allooby, Peter Wetklo. **Boston 2. Goals:** Derrick Neeley, Mike Nichols. **Assists:** Tom Davies (2).

Legion dates

Legion Minor Hockey Schedule

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PeeWee

6:00 Rochester vs. Cleveland

7:00 Tidewater vs. Baltimore

Atom

8:10 Oshawa vs. St. Kitts

9:10 London vs. Hamilton

Novice:

10:20 Brampton vs. Dixie

11:20 Guelph vs. Weston

Bantam

12:30 Jets vs. Rockies

6:00 Whalers vs. Aeros

7:00 Cougers vs. Oilers

Sunday Dec 9

Juvenile

Chicago vs. Boston

Midgets

Buffalo vs. Toronto

Vancouver vs. Montreal

Junior Redmen double Rebels

Acton Junior 'Boys' Basketball team remained among the ranks of the undefeated last week taking games from arch rival Georgetown and J.A. Turner. The Redmen doubled the Goergetown Rebels 48-24 while nipping Turner 36-32.

The Redmen split eight points with the Turner Trojans in the first quarter of their match but built up a 18-14 lead by the half. The Redmen continued their fine play over the third period, extending their lead to 33-22, before coasting to a 36-32 win.

Rob Faber netted eight points for the Acton team while Dave Entwhistle counted seven.

Faber was also the top shooter against Georgetown netting 14 points while Glen Van Rijk and Chris Lysholm also turned up good offensive games. Acton coach Rick McArthur pointed out Lysholm for his outstanding defensive play.

The Senior Redmen held on to win a squeaker in their only game of the week nipping Georgetown 51-50, leaving them with only two losses in preseason play. Both losses came to a powerful Milton team.

Martin Osso was the top offensive player for the Redmen hitting for 14 points while coach McArthur pointed out *Bob McClure for his* tough defense.

500 Club

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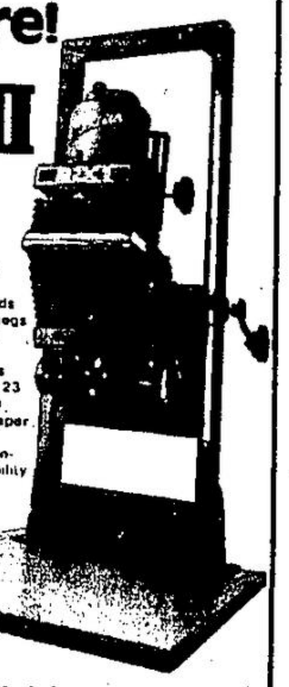

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