



Theresa Dunn of Acton High School Track Team crosses the finish line of the mid-girls relay run during the Rebel Relay meet last week. Fourteen schools from Halton competed in the fourth annual meet, held at Sheridan College in Oakville last Wednesday. Georgetown, who played hosts, also won the overall event. AHS placed well, despite the relatively small team that competed. Today AHS team is running in the preliminary round of the Haltons.

## Industrial league

# Sun shining on Station opener

Ball Season officially got underway Sunday with the crack of the Acton Industrial League bat. And the day was near perfect, as far as Free-dom, Station Hotel and Acton Oldtimers were concerned.

They won their season-openers under sunny hot skies at Prospect Park. Station Hotel overpowered Van's Welding 15-4. Free-dom downed Unsel Construction 6-1 and the Oldtimers nipped Halton Hills Electric 3-0.

In the first match featuring Free-dom and Unsel, Free-dom brought home six runs on 10 hits. The scored a run in the first inning, with Mike McGregor making it safely across the plate.

Unsel caught up at the top of the third with a single by Charlie Harrison. But Free-dom

scored three more runs off five hits. McGregor, Ken Paisley and Randy Jakeda made it home.

Paisley slugged a triple bringing home McGregor, who reached first on a single in the bottom of the fourth.

Bob Little scored in the fifth inning for Free-dom. The rest of the game was no-hit, no-run action.

The Acton Oldtimers had an easy time with Halton Hills Electric. They spread out their three runs in the second, third and fifth innings, cracking nine hits. Halton Hills managed six hits, but failed to score.

A single by Jim James brought Bruce McArthur across the plate in the second inning for a Oldtimers run. Fred Archibald scored the second run in the third inning and

McArthur again came home in the fifth, to make it 3-0.

The Oldtimers slugged three more hits, but failed to bring anyone home.

The game was called at the bottom of the eighth after three quick outs by Halton Hills Electric.

Station Hotel engaged in a slugfest with Van's in their 15-4 victory.

Van's hit the scoreboard first though, with runs by Dale Piper and Bill Brittin.

Stan Kruk and Robin Inscow also connected for hits, but Van's was knocked out with the two left on base.

Station Hotel got it together bringing three hits home in the top of the second inning. James Morris, Murray McNabb and Mike Miller scored. Derrick Neely, who was later

thrown out of the match for using offensive language, hit a single in the bottom of the second, but there was no scoring on the play.

Bill Fabian and Morris scored in the third on three hits: Ron Schmidt, Bob Haslam, Fabian and Morris crossed the plate in the fourth on four hits, and Schmidt scored one run in the fifth.

Van's meanwhile, had scored a run by Derrick Neely in the bottom of the fourth.

Kevin Allibaib brought the Station tally to 11 runs in the sixth inning. Morris increased it to 12 in the seventh, Dave Allen, Schmidt and Fabian finish things off in the top of the eighth with their runs.

Denis Kirton scored for Van's in the eighth, but they only managed three hits in the last four innings.

# Executive turns down amendment

by Diana Waltmann  
Hockey parents in Acton must be satisfied with last year's Minor Hockey Association (AMHA) executive.

No one turned up at the annual general meeting Sunday at the Community Centre to contest this year's slate, which was, except for a few minor adjustments, virtually the same as last season's—when 200 people voted.

Bruce Cargill returns as president, Herb Dodds remains vice-president, Peter Van Dam replaces Lynn Smith as second vice-president, Jackie Phelan takes over as secretary with Fran McKnight stepping down and Joan Yalowica will once again wrestle with the budget as treasurer.

Last year some 100 to 200 people, depending on what story you hear, attended the annual meeting, the largest in the modern history of the Association.

Two slates of executive were in the running, with Cargill and his crew, the original nomination committee's choice winning.

What was contested this year by the 15 people (including the executive) was past president Barry Inscow's amendment to the constitution.

He wanted to see parents banned from coaching, managing, or directing a team that his daughter or son played on.

"I put this (motion) forth because I made some inquiries in Thornhill and at a couple of other tournaments with towns the same size as Acton.

"They found the pressure was taken off the boy when a parent wasn't coaching. Plus the coach has left himself open to criticism of segregation."

Inscow was careful to point out he has seen no case of favoritism in Acton.

Only five voted in favor of the motion, the rest opposed because of the financial strain and the drastic cut into volunteers.

Last year for instance, Cope Smith and Bill Hodgson managed the midgets, while both had sons playing.

For them, or anyone else, to be involved with a team other than the one their son is playing on would mean extra burden of following two teams.

Herb Dodds said, "Fundamentally, no one wants to chase a team around and solve a lot of problems if they haven't got that kind of a link. It's unrealistic."

Lynn Smith, wife of Cope added, "I feel the highlight of the year for my sons (Rick and Randy) was being coached by their father."

# More games for allstar teams

Acton allstar teams will be playing four more games next season as part of the new Hub league. Herb Dodds, vice-president of the Acton Minor Hockey Association (AMHA) and contact man for the now defunct Waterloo-Wellington league, confirmed the decision at the AMHA annual meeting Sunday at the Community Centre.

Acton would be booking into the Mantle Division of the Hub league, along with Woolwich, Hespeler, Fergus, New Hamburg and Elora.

Second teams would be Galt, Brantford, Waterloo with third teams from Kitchener and Guelph.

The need for a change came when the Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) accepted Orangeville's bid into Tri-County. That left a gap in the Waterloo-Wellington league, with Woolwich and Hespeler demanding changes because they were the only remaining "A" level teams.

Acton will be playing 22 games instead of 18 but travelling time should be cut, according to Dodds, with the schedule calling for home and home games.

That means Acton teams will visit each centre only once and each centre will come here once.

Also Dodds explained, the season will hopefully remain the same length of time, since the Ontario Minor Hockey Association

(OMHA) playdowns still start in February. As well, teams will be able to finish out the Hub league playoffs.

Last season the midgets, undisputedly the best team in the league with its undefeated record and first-place finish, reached the semifinals of the OMHA playoffs.

By then it was the end of March and too late

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# Track team relay ready for Haltons

The Acton High School track team warmed up for the preliminary round of the Halton finals, to be held today (Wednesday), with the annual Rebel Relay meet last week.

The relay, hosted by Georgetown District High School was held at Sheridan College in Oakville Wednesday. Teams from 14 schools competed.

The midget boys' teams had the best showing of the day for Acton with a second-place finish in the 4 x 200 metre relay. Queen Elizabeth Park of Oakville came first, breaking a record doing it.

"The midget boys certainly were a pleasant surprise," said Lyn McLaren track

coach and principal of AHS. "We were thin compared to last year, with two injuries, but hopefully we'll qualify in the Halton's for the Peel-Haltons.

"The senior girls should run considerably better when Jane (Trueman) gets back." Even with Trueman out, the senior girls still managed two third place finishes in the 4 x 100 and 4 x 200 metre races. Barb Wilson replace Trueman, although she hadn't been running with the team.

The senior boys disqualified themselves in the 4 x 200 after a nasty spill. They finished third however in the 4 x 100 metre. Acton ran a midget girls team, "just for

experience" McLaren stated. The midget girls had been tied up with gymnastics. There was another novice meet in Burlington last Thursday, and ended 11th out of 12 runners in the 4 x 200.

Georgetown finished first overall with 252 points, for the fourth year in a row, while White Oaks of Oakville was second. McLaren said he wasn't sure where Acton finished.

Although the preliminary heats of the Haltons are being run today at Nelson High School in Burlington, the actual Halton track meet will be held Monday at Centennial Park in Etobicoke.

Earlier the team ran individual races at

a standards meet in London. Instead of racing against each other, competitors race against a standard time for ribbons.

George Gidman was the best Acton competitor with third place finished in the 100 and 200 metre races. He won a bronze and a silver for his efforts.

Midgets Clifford Nibbs and Mike Mooney, won the bronze in the 100 metre, while Gord Springle finished fourth in the 100 metre hurdles.

Neville Porter had the best showing of the senior boys. He qualified for the bronze in the 100 and 200 metre. Steve Springle and Rob Lenizky also ran in senior boys.

Rick Dodds competed in midget shotput and 400 metre. Debbie Clarke competed in the junior girls and Sharon Cook placed in the seniors.

McLaren said the rest of the team also finished in the top half of 40 to 60 entries.

# Girls' soccer sinking

Nancy Voscamp's dreams of a girl's soccer team in the rural league are slowly evaporating, unless several more girls sign up in the next week.

Voscamp, 16, has been trying to form a girl's soccer team from Acton to compete in the rural soccer league along with Georgetown, Milton and Pineview.

A few weeks ago she held registration for girls between the ages of 16 and 18, but only 13 signed up.

That is enough for a team, but some dropped out leaving only seven girls. Voscamp said although the game is played with 11, she needs about 14 to field a team.

Other than getting the necessary bodies, Voscamp had everything else arranged. The team would register with the Acton Soccer

Club, which would supply the uniforms. A playing field was lined-up and the schedule of 11 games would begin in the summer.

Voscamp added girls don't even need experience. All they do need is \$15 for registration.

There was a girls' soccer team two years ago playing in the Georgetown league, but they met with little success.

Voscamp said she has been playing soccer since she was in grade three. "I played all the time in school."

If an Acton team isn't fielded, Voscamp says she will play on a Georgetown squad. But if any more girls are interested she'll gladly return to Acton. For more information call Voscamp at 853-3734.

# Rebel relay results

School	Time	4 x 200 midget girls	4 x 100 midget boys
A.B. Pearson	1:53	1:53	1:53
W.O.	1:53	1:53	1:53
Blatlock	1:53	1:53	1:53
Lord Elgin	1:53	1:53	1:53
GDHS	1:53	1:53	1:53
Acton	1:53	1:53	1:53
Pearson	1:53	1:53	1:53
White Oaks	1:53	1:53	1:53
Aldershot	1:53	1:53	1:53
Milton	1:53	1:53	1:53
4 x 100 metre senior girls	2:02	2:02	2:02
White Oaks	2:02	2:02	2:02
GDHS	2:02	2:02	2:02
Acton	2:02	2:02	2:02
4 x 100 metre senior boys	2:02	2:02	2:02
Bishop Ryan	2:02	2:02	2:02
White Oaks	2:02	2:02	2:02
GDHS	2:02	2:02	2:02
ACTON	2:02	2:02	2:02
M.M. Robinson	2:02	2:02	2:02
4 x 400 midget boys	2:02	2:02	2:02
Bishop Ryan	2:02	2:02	2:02
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GDHS	2:02	2:02	2:02
W.O.	2:02	2:02	2:02
Aldershot	2:02	2:02	2:02
Senior girls 4 x 600	2:02	2:02	2:02
W.O.	2:02	2:02	2:02
Lord Elgin	2:02	2:02	2:02
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# Word games, free lunches and Porsches make my day

by Diana Waltmann

Hello.

I am not what you would call a feminist or women's libber or even a 1980ish career girl. Anybody who wants to open doors for me is more than welcome, especially when my hands are full.

However since I'm on the soapbox anyway, I feel compelled to get in a few shots at the Acton Hockey Association for racism.

(Aren't women a separate race after all?)

In Mr. Inscow's amendment to the constitution he stressed no parent can coach, manage, direct etc. his son or daughter (his italics).

Well. Since when does the word parent mean male?

The amendment should have read no parent should coach, manage, direct, etc. his or her son or daughter (my italics).

Then there was a discussion on whether the word daughter should be included in the amendment at all, with too many headaches in the financial department among the reasons.

The heck with that.

If a girl wants to compete in hockey allstar or otherwise, let her. But I don't think she should receive any special treatment. I've been in a few men's dressing rooms and it's no big deal. Of course it's up to the girl involved to decide whether she wants to share the dressing room along with the benefits of competition in allstar hockey.

Enough of women's rights and on to more interesting things.

I had lunch with Terry Metcalf the other day, and a few Argos and some other media types and Robin Inscow, your for-

mer sportswriter.

Not that it has anything to do with Acton, but a free lunch on my budget is not to be ignored.

Actually I went to see Metcalf's car which is a chocolate brown Porsche Targa. Only he had the audacity to come to Guelph by bus. With my paycheque, eyeing other peoples' Porsches is as close as I'll ever come.

With the change of leagues in allstar hockey, there is some doubt as to where the juvenile team will compete. As of yet there is no juvenile loop in the Hub league.

But Herb Dodds assures everyone involved the juvenile team will be iced. If the Hub league doesn't take them under its wing then Dodds said, the OMHA will find another league who will.

The juveniles had a successful season last year in contrast to the problems experienced the year before. Dodds predicts a fantastic year for the team, especially if the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) votes to raise the age limit to 19. That will allow several over-aged players to still compete.

Even if the age does remain at 18, Dodds said the juvenile team would have merely a great year.

The higher-ups are also deliberating on a new form of awarding points in the juvenile league. Instead of the regular two point win—one point tie, points would be awarded on how many goals are scored over the minimum.

This system has been used on a trial basis in other hockey centres and sup-

posedly found to reduce fighting. The players would be concentrating on getting more goals to get more points.

Dodds said in his opinion the OMHA had nothing to worry about because Acton's juveniles were well-behaved anyway.

He added it's not going to stop kids from fighting because a team will still see they're down five goals and drop the gloves.

The CAHA will also be voting on banning bodily contact below the pee-wee level at their convention later this month. Although the Ontario Association had turned the motion down, the CAHA has precedence over them.

Therefore if the CAHA votes affirmative, the AMHA has no choice but to adopt the policy.

The feeling is coaches and kids will concentrate on the more basic hockey skills like skating, stickhandling and shooting during the season rather than checking and boxing.

And finally a word to those involved in the Acton Figure Skating Club. Stop sending me hate mail. It's depressing. I'm sorry I'm not Boris Spremo and Arthur Haley all wrapped up into one.

And I am not, as one person said, covering hockey more than figure skating because it's a man's sport. That is an absurd accusation to make considering the circumstances.

Hockey gets as much coverage as it does because there is 10 times more of it happening year-round than any other sport.



He shoots, he scores

The Rams Oldtimers started off their new season with a 17-2 victory over Toronto Beaches last night. Prior to the game, the Rams held scrimmages in the community Centre. Setting up a goal is Ron Turkosz, far right, along with Craig Weldon, centre and George Artem left. Minding the nets is goalie Jon DeCourcy.