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SPORTS

Change coach, but Acton Sabres stay same drop three more, by 4-2; 6-2 and 9-1 scores

The Acton Junior "B" Sabres dropped three more games last week losing 4-2 to Milton, 6-2 to Barrie and 9-1 to Thornhill.

In the Milton and Barrie games Acton out shot both teams and played good aggressive hockey for new coach Glen Murray. Sunday in Thornhill there was no hassle or desire to win.

Wednesday night in Acton the Sabres were defeated 4-2 by Milton at the Community Centre.

There was no scoring in the first 20 minutes with the Sabres outshooting their guest 14-8.

In the second period Milton opened the scoring just 49 seconds into the frame then went ahead 3-0 before Paul Cargill scored for the Sabres at 2:28 on a pass from Mark Syme. Less than a minute later Milton went ahead 4-1. With less than 30 seconds left in the period Denis Kirton lit the light for the Sabres with Bob Boldt picking up the assist. Acton outshot Milton 20-15 in the second frame.

In the third period there was no scoring with Acton having the real good chances. The Sabres outshot the Steamers 14-5 in the final 20 minutes and 48-28 over three periods.

Friday night at the Community Centre the Barrie Colts defeated the Sabres 6-2.

Barrie led 3-0 after the first 20 minutes and outshot the Sabres 18-15.

In the second period Barrie scored to go ahead 3-0 before Cargill lit the light for the Sabres, on a pass from Art Keating. Barrie added one more score to end the second period 4-1. The Sabres outshot the Colts 18-14.

Just 30 seconds into the third frame Barrie scored to go ahead 5-1. At 14:14 Kirton scored for the Sabres with Ken Franklin and Boldt earning aids. Barrie added one more score in the last minute to end the game 6-2. The Sabres outshot Barrie 16-11 in the final 20 minutes and over three frames 49-43.

Sunday night in Thornhill the Thunderbirds scored five first period goals and coasted to an easy 9-1 win over the Sabres.

Franklin scored for the Sabres in the second period with Rick Dodds and Kirton collecting assists.

The Sabres end their regular season this Saturday night at the Community Centre when they host the Oakville Baldeas at 8:30 p.m. Friday night the Sabres are in Milton to meet the Steamers.

Meet the Sabres



Chris Schweitzer, 17, a six foot, 190 pound; right defenceman played for the Toronto Young Nats last year and is wearing number 22 for the Acton Junior "B" Sabres this season.



Acton Junior "B" Sabre goalie Rob Ruffino made this stop in action against Barrie at the Community Centre Friday night with help from defenceman Rick Dodds. Barrie defeated the Sabres 6-2.

Minor hockey roundup

Minor Bants blast Fergus in two straight games 11-1

The Acton Rotary Club Minor Bantams eliminated Fergus in three games in OMHA play-offs. After losing the first game 4-3 the Acton team hammered Fergus 11-1 in the second and third game of the series.

In the second game Steve Wagner led the way for Acton scoring six times. Paul Kilpatrick added two goals and singles were scored by Doug McKnight, Brett Carachi and Mike Baker. Phillip Wedge, Mike Cunningham and Kilpatrick picked up two assists each. Ron Robinson, Wagner, Carachi, Clinton McMillan; Baker and Tom Atherton all earned single aids.

In the third game Wagner and Carachi lit the light three times each for Acton. McMillan added a pair of goals and singles were tallied by Atherton, McKnight, and Wedge. Robinson and Wedge collected three assists each with Atherton, Wagner and Rod Marchand all picking up a pair of aids each. McMillan and Kilpatrick earned single assists.

Acton will now meet Elmira in the next round of the OMHA play-offs.

Pee-Wees eliminate Fergus

by Rick Smith
On Sunday January 30, Acton Lions Major Pee Wees travelled to Fergus for their second playoff game. They trounced their hosts 7-1 to advance to the second round against Flamboro.

The team took two periods to come on track, only playing well enough to keep their lead in the first two periods.

Acton scored two in the first period before Fergus got one. Then Acton got on in the second and closed the door with four in the third. Some excellent passing plays and picture goals as a result of extra effort made Acton a decisive winner. Goal scorers were Carl Yarochak and Craig Cadenhead each with two, Mike Simmons, John Van Dam and Troy Foster with singles. Aids came from Frank Katsilieris, Carl Yarochak and Simmons each with two and Van Dam, Kostas Athanassoulis and Cadenhead with singles. David Hinz recorded the win in the Acton goal.

Earlier in the week, Acton hosted Brantford and although Acton outplayed their visitors, they could not capitalise on their scoring chances and lost 3-2. Acton goals came from Simmons and Cadenhead with Carl Yarochak earning two assists and one from Simmons.

Next game should be tonight (Wednesday) against Flamboro here at 8 p.m. for OMHA play-offs. Then Friday, February 4 against Woodstock in the last of regular season play.

Minor Atoms down one

The Acton Minor Atom Mums were nipped 3-2 by Fergus in the first game of the OMHA play-offs and were shut out 8-0 by Hespeler in Hub League action.

Monday night in Fergus the Hockey Mums lost a close contest with Wayne Bousfield and John McLean scoring for Acton. Derek Johnson, Derek Martin and Mathew Marcoux picked up assists.

Saturday at home to Hespeler the Hockey Mums were blanked 8-0.

Minor Pee-Wee series tied

The Acton Minor Pee-Wee team won one game and dropped two games last week.

On Wednesday at home the visiting Woolwich shut out Acton 3-0.

On Saturday in Galt Acton defeated their hosts 4-3 in a well played contest.

Rene Van Kesteren was the big shooter for Acton scoring the hat trick. Mike Williams added a single score. Williams picked up three assists with Chris Graham, Paul Coverdale and Sean Sears earning single aids.

Major Atom goalie Sean Warren was brought up as a back up goalie for the Minor Pee-Wees.

On Sunday in Acton, Hespeler shut out Acton 3-0 to tie the OMHA play-offs at one game each. The third and final game of the series was last night (Tuesday) in Hespeler. The Acton Minor Pee-Wees are at home tonight (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. to host Preston in Hub League action.

Legion hockey Novice

Oakville nipped Brampton 2-1 in Novice action.

Jeremy Marsh and Kenny Jaffray fired singles for Oakville with Ian Reid and James Wirth picking up assists.

Jason Crawford was the lone marksman for Brampton unassisted.

Guelph edged Dixie 2-1 in Novice play. Steven Slaney led the way for Guelph scoring a pair of goals unassisted.

Jim Katsilieris lit the light for Dixie.

Weston defeated Burlington 3-1 in Novice action.

David Patey fired the hat trick for Weston with Steven Stuckless and Ryan Masales earning aids.

Jason McNaught scored Burlington's lone goal assisted by Bryan Hobbaki.

Atom

Oshawa and Hamilton played to a 1-1 tie in Atom play.

Dave Blashuk scored for Oshawa with Sean Van Kesteren picking up the assist.

Sandy Dokis lit the light for Hamilton unassisted.

St. Kitts blanked London 4-0 in Atom action.

Tim Briggs led the way for St. Kitts firing the hat trick. Jesse Forrest added a single score. Briggs picked up one aid.

Pee-Wee

Tidewater defeated Baltimore 5-3 in Pee-Wee play.

Jason Henderson led the way for Tidewater scoring the hat trick. Cesar Hinojosa and Sylvain Aubry added single scores. Andy Scott and Kyle Pickett collected single aids.

Josh Caswell fired a pair of goals for Baltimore with Derek Bottomley adding a single score. Phillip Landriault picked up two assists and Kevin Blakeman earned one aid.

Cleveland beat Rochester 5-3 in Pee-Wee action.

Gareth Marks led the way for Cleveland scoring a pair of goals. Paul Campbell, Margie Parker and Todd Lazenby all scored singles. Carrie Gallant and Lazenby picked up a pair of assists each.

John Beaulieu scored a pair of goals for Rochester with Phillip Pumphrey adding a single score. Steve Henderson and Beaulieu earned single aids.

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Heller's goalie Charlie Payne kicked this shot out in Industrial action Sunday night against Nielsen's Clothing. Heller's Scott Withers moves in to clear the loose puck. Heller's nipped Nielsen's Clothing 6-5.

Industrial hockey

Nielsen's, Cleaners, Heller's chase 4th spot

The battle for the last playoff spot in Industrial hockey is heating up between Nielsen's Family Cleaners and Heller's.

Lakeview Centre hammered Family Cleaners 7-3 Sunday night in Industrial action.

Henry Toebes led the way for Lakeview Centre scoring the hat trick. Bruce Cooksley added a pair of goals with Tim McIntyre and Russ Van Fleet adding single scores. Jeff Townsley picked up three assists with Cooksley, Toebes and Cliff Britton earning two aids each. Tim McIntyre and Bren Irwin both earned single assists.

Chris Rowsell fired a pair of goals for Family Cleaners with Don Brouillard adding a single score. Gary Pickles collected two aids with single assists going to Brouillard, Wayne DeForest and John Ashley.

A.T.W. defeated Acton Travel 7-5 in Industrial action on Sunday night at the Community Centre.

Todd McIntyre fired the hat trick for A.T.W. with John Snow adding a pair of goals. Claire Snow and Mike Petkoff lit the light with single scores each. Claire Snow, John Snow and Terry Winters all earned two

assists each. Mike Nicholls, Bruce McPherson and Mike Mitchell all collected single aids.

Bart Jacobs scored a pair of goals for Acton Travel with Glen McKenzie, Jim Cooney and Bill Hanes adding single markers. McKenzie earned two assists and single aids went to Jacobs, Mabea, Steve Brunelle, Jamie Vickery and John Sykes.

Heller's nipped Nielsen's Clothing 6-5 on Sunday night in Industrial action at the Community Centre.

Chris Tennant led the way for Heller's scoring four goals. Dave Morris and Bill Severinski added single scores. Scott Withers picked up two assists with Ken Owen, Morris and Severinski all earning single aids.

Don Richards scored a pair of goals for Nielsen's Clothing with Steve McIntyre, Jim McNabb and Brad Buchanan all scoring singles. Ken Slaney, Steve Bennett, Jim Hagggett and Buchanan all earned two assists.

Schedule for Sunday February 6: at 7 p.m. Heller's plays Acton Travel; at 8:30 p.m. Lakeview Centre hosts Nielsen's Clothing and at 9:40 p.m. A.T.W. meets Family Cleaners.



Acton Rotary Club Minor Bantam Paul Kilpatrick just missed this scoring opportunity in OMHA play-off action against Fergus. Acton blasted Fergus 11-1 in the final two games to eliminate them from the play-offs.