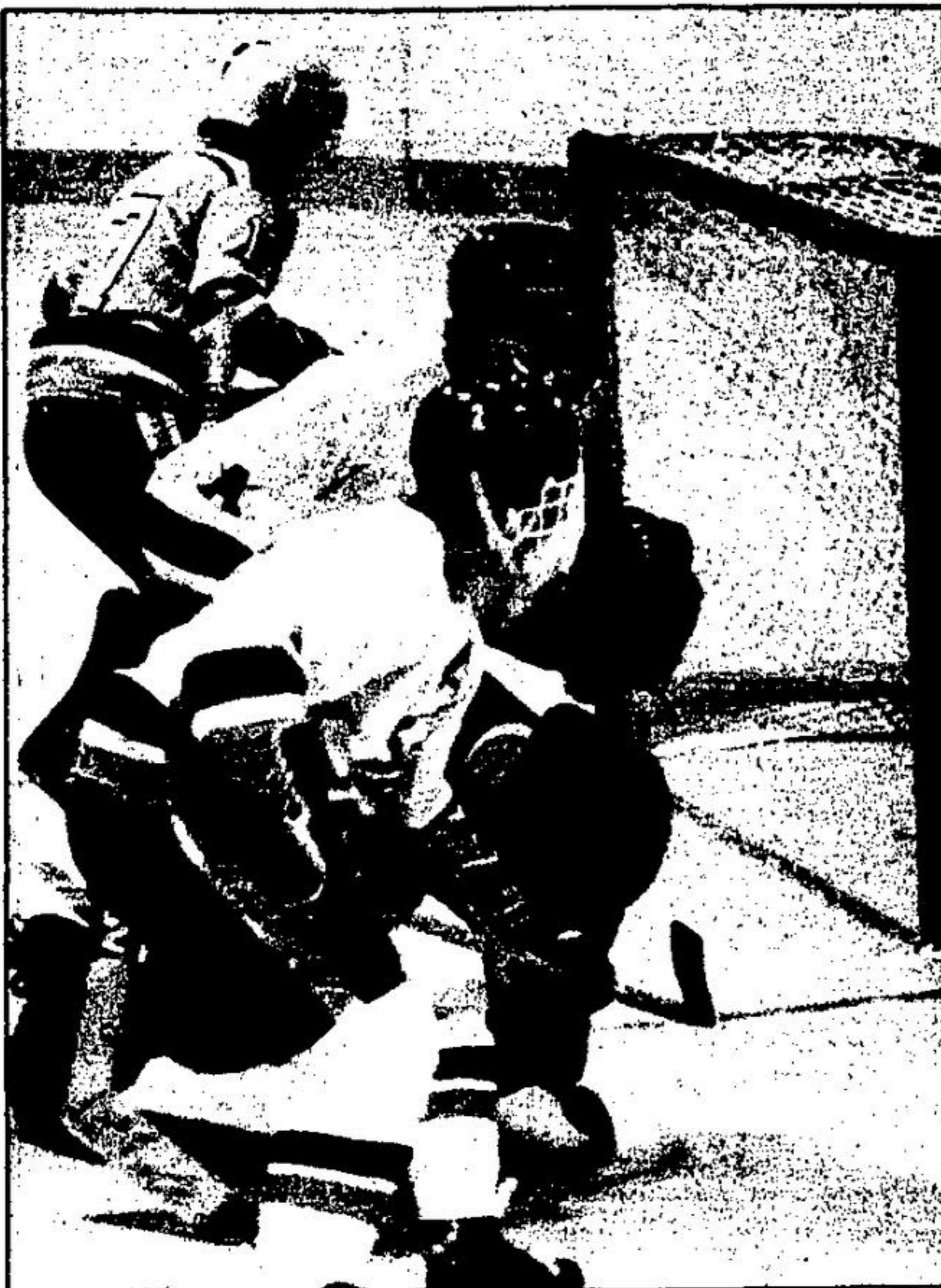


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The Acton Sabres took on the Barrie Colts Friday night dropping the fiercely competitive match to the Colts 6-5. The Sabres also played Saturday night against the Mimico Monarchs winning their first game of the season 4-2.

## Sabres drop close match take season's first win 4-2

by Mark Holmes

The Acton Sabres continued their regular season play over the weekend dropping their first match Friday night to Barrie. But then playing strongly Saturday night, Acton managed to overpower the Mimico Monarchs 4-2 for their first victory.

It was anyone's game Friday night as the Sabres proved fiercely competitive against the Barrie Colts. Unfortunately for the Sabres, Barrie managed to hang on to a one goal lead in the second period to defeat Acton 6-5.

Frank Allsop, the Sabres' general manager, commented, "The boys did really well against Barrie. They played a good clean game and it was just unfortunate that we lost."

"I think we could just have as easily won the game," concluded Allsop.

Barrie opened the scoring at 1:46 of the first period with a quick break through the Sabres' defense.

The Sabres, down one goal less than two minutes into the game, suddenly came alive a moment later. From the disorganization came several well executed plays that ultimately led to a picture perfect goal by Karl Meyer. Assisted by Scott Kennedy, Meyer slipped into the slot, picked up the pass from Kennedy, found his corner of the net and scored.

With the game tied, the Sabres found themselves on a roll. Two minutes after their first goal the Sabres took the lead with another series of passing plays. Mike Yalowica intercepted a pass from Ken Kavanagh, deked around the Barrie goaltender and flipped the puck into the net.

By now the Sabres were running like a well-oiled machine. The Sabres' penalty box seats were getting cold as the Acton team kept all of the dirty plays out of the game.

Although the Sabres were playing a great game it was the sheer determination of a Barrie player that poked the puck past the Acton goalkeeper, Fred Fess, during a scramble in front of the net.

With the game tied up the Sabres became even more determined and at 13:11 Kavanagh, on a power play, broke away from the Colts' defense with a pass from Meyer. Outmanoeuvring the Barrie goaltender, Kavanagh picked out an empty piece of the net and scored.

The Sabres' coach, Gary Hudson, had a trace of a smile as the Sabres took the lead for the second time, but that little smile was soon a grin as Mark Symes, assisted by Dennis Kirton and John Turner, managed to beat the Colts' goaltender.

Unfortunately for the Sabres, their luck ran out. A wildly bouncing puck rebounded off the boards behind the net and coming back out to an unsuspecting goalkeeper, the puck ricocheted off a shin pad and went into the net.

The Sabres' two goal lead was narrowed to one by a fluke and as the Sabres regrouped a vengeful Colts took their toll by scoring another quick goal.

At the end of the first period the game was tied 4-4.

Coming back onto the ice for the second period the Sabres were looking anything but down. The two teams had seemingly come to a standoff as neither one could break through the other's defense.

The Sabres managed to hold off the Colts until the end of the second period when, shorthanded, Barrie eluded the Acton defense and took the lead 5-4.

Going into the third period one goal down didn't discourage the Sabres. However, playing a good game just wasn't enough as the Colts, on a power play, beat Fess to take

a two goal lead. Symes scored Acton's final goal midway into the final period with an assist from Meyer, but it just wasn't enough to overcome the Colts who outshot the Sabres 33-33.

It was a completely different story Saturday as the Sabres took control of the road game against Mimico.

Opening the scoring for the Sabres was Karl Meyer assisted by Paul Barratt. Late in the first period Meyer was able to beat the Monarchs' goalie while shorthanded.

Mimico retaliated early in the second period to tie the game at one goal apiece.

The rest of the second period remained scoreless.

Coming into the third period a roving Monarchs managed to take the lead with a quick goal.

Being a goal behind must have set off the Sabres because a few moments later Randy Overdale, assisted by Rick Dodds and Ken Franklin, blasted the puck past the Mimico goaltender.

Just seconds after the tying goal, Mike Yalowica, assisted by Paul Fraser and Dodds, rocketed through the Mimico defense to score.

The Sabres were definitely hot as just moments later they scored again. Symes received passes from Kavanagh and Yalowica to thwart the Monarchs' goalie a fourth time and the game became the Sabres' first win of the season.

"The boys didn't play as well as they did against Barrie," said Allsop, "but they are definitely blending together."

"If they continue to play as they have been the future for the Sabres looks very promising," said Allsop.

The Sabres' next home game will be Saturday night against Milton. Friday Sabres travel to Burlington.

## Heller's downs Nielsen's 8-6

Leading off Industrial Hockey League action Heller's downed Nielsen's Clothing 8-6 Sunday.

Chris Tennant led the Heller's offensive with four goals while Bill Severinski, Glen McKenzie, Cliff Britton and Joe Gardin tallied one goal apiece.

McKenzie assisted on three of Heller's goals and Tennant and Jamie Vickery assisted twice each. Also assisting were John Ashley, Severinski and Britton.

Henry Toebes scored twice for Nielsen's while Bart Jacobs, John Sykes, Bruce McPhail and George Artem rattled in one goal apiece.

John Sykes, Toebes, Steve Brunelle, Artem, Jim McNabb and McPhail each had one assist to their credit.

Acton Travel nipped ATW 4-3 on Sunday with Lloyd Smallwood having a good night scoring twice for Acton Travel. Bruce McPherson and Terry Winters also scored for Acton Travel.

Assisting for Acton Travel were Bruce McPherson with two, Scott Withers, Todd

McIntyre and Lorne Gordon with one each.

Mike Morris was also having a good night with ATW, scoring twice while Rob Evans banged home the other ATW goal.

Gary Pickles made two assists and Randy McIntyre assisted once.

In the third and final match Family Cleaners doubled Lakeview 5-3.

Family Cleaners goals were scored by Bill Fields and Chris Rowsell, two each and Brad Buchanan and Steve Bennett, one apiece.

The Cleaners assists were made by Gary Moore, three, John Snow and Buchanan with two each.

Bruce Cooksley, Gary Lumbers and Mike Petkoff scored a goal apiece for Lakeview while assists were made by Lumbers and Bill Manes.

Industrial Hockey League action will continue on October 16 when Heller's will take on Acton Travel at 7 p.m., Lakeview will challenge Nielsen's Clothing at 8:20 p.m. and ATW will host Family Cleaners at 9:40 p.m.

## Leathertown soccer team draws 2-2 with Georgetown

The Leathertown Men's Soccer Club treated area residents to a rare home game on October 9 tying a highly contested match against Georgetown 2-2.

It was a fast, entertaining game played under ideal conditions with excellent officiating by local referees.

Leathertown controlled most of the attacking play in the first half but failed to score on several opportunities as Georgetown took the lead 1-0.

Coming back for the second half the young Acton squad of 15 men were in a fighting mood. Scott Malcolm's hustle and John Semenac's midfield play resulted in Striker Dave Entwistle's two well taken goals.

With Acton ahead 2-1 Georgetown came back with another goal to tie the game at two goals apiece.

The Leathertown men continued their race for top spot in the league as they travelled to St. Laurence, Port Credit to take on Atlas of Mississauga.

The young Acton team allowed

themselves to be intimidated by the spilling tactics of a very physical Mississauga team.

Mitch Jeffrey, one of the Leathertown stars, was taken off early in the game with a rib injury while Atlas, despite their rough play, took an early two goal lead.

A penalty kick for Acton closed the gap and at the end of the first half it was Atlas 2, Acton 1.

The first five minutes into the second half saw Atlas catch Acton napping as two quick breakaway goals increased the Mississauga lead to three.

However, the local team refused to quit and with persistent attacks the determined Acton team managed to narrow the gap a second time with a goal by John Semenac.

Mike Masson, the Acton goal tender, played a great game foiling several breakaways.

The Leathertown men will take on the Toronto Aces at St. Laurence on Sunday October 16, at 12:30 p.m.



Several members of the Acton Midget Girls' cross-country team do some warm up stretches in preparation for a 2.2 mile run up and down the slopes of the Chicopee Ski Club. The Redmen placed 19th overall in competition against 58 schools.

## Redmen run 19th out of 58 teams

The Redmen travelled to Kitchener on Friday, October 7 to place 19th out of 58 schools in the meet.

In a gruelling race up and down the slopes of the Chicopee Ski Club, Marla Brillinger made a commendable showing placing 25th in a field of 178 girls in the Midget competition.

The Midget and Junior boys placed 17th overall with Darryl Bartlett placing 17th in a field of 257 midget boys and John Gardiner placed 67th out of 257 runners in the Junior boys competition.

"All in all the teams did really well in the largest competition of the year," said Dave Jones, coach of the Redmen cross-country team.

### VOLLEYBALL

The Acton Redmen journeyed to Milton on October 3 for a triple header, dropping two out of three games.

A strong Milton team took the initiative in the first game defeating the Acton Juniors 15-3.

It was a different story, however, in game two as the Redmen came back to nip Milton 15-10. In game three the faltering Acton team lost by a close margin, 15-13.

The Senior boys couldn't break the Juniors' trend as they also dropped two out of three games.

Milton took the first game 16-14 in a highly contested match. Game two was Acton's all the way as the Redmen downed Milton 15-11 and in game three Milton came back to overpower the opposition a second time, 16-14.

On October 5 the Junior and Senior boys' volleyball teams continued their regular season play in Oakville, dropping two out of

three games each. The junior boys kept close tabs on T. A. Blakelock losing the first game 16-14.

The Junior Redmen returned fire in game two, upsetting Blakelock 15-11, and in game three Acton repeated their first game's score, losing 16-14.

The Senior boys followed, dropping game one to a powerful Oakville team 15-13 and in game two the Redmen lost 15-13.

However, in game three Acton showed a lot of stamina coming back to defeat Blakelock 15-7.

### BASKETBALL

In high school basketball action the Redmen girls travelled to Georgetown on

October 4, losing both the senior and the junior matches.

Kelly White played a strong game for the Senior girls, scoring eight points in a closely contested game that saw Georgetown overpower the Redmen 31-25.

The Junior girls were also having their troubles as they lost out to Georgetown 32-28.

Boo Tufford led the Junior girls' assault with a respectable 17 points.

The Senior girls returned to Milton on October 6 taking revenge on the opposition 34-24.

Marion Case played an excellent game scoring 12 out of 34 Redmen points.

## Free Curling offered as season opens

The local curling season is about to begin as the ice and paint are being applied at the Acton Curling Club.

Scheduled for the first week, October 17 to 23, the local club will be sponsoring free curling for anyone interested.

Dave Dunn, a member of the curling club's board of directors, said the first week of curling is weather dependent. If the warm weather continues the ice may not be ready, but hopefully everything will proceed according to schedule, he said.

As it stands, said Dunn, Monday nights there will be two draws. Both draws will be

mixed teams starting at 7 and 9 p.m.

On Tuesdays there will be a ladies' draw from 1-3 p.m. and a men's draw from 7-9 p.m.

Wednesdays will see the junior club curling from 4:30 until 6 p.m. a ladies' night from 7-9 p.m.

From 9-11 p.m. there will be a men's draw Thursday nights.

On Fridays there will be mixed curling from 7-9 p.m.

There will be a wine and cheese party for members and interested people October 28 to wrap up the free week of curling, said Dunn.



A Leathertown soccer player outmaneuvers a Georgetown player in the men's league finals on Sunday.