

Junior Sabres get reprieve from AMHA



Dave Innes has been named the Sabres' general manager.

Despite the numerous problems plaguing the Acton Sabres in the past few months, it looks like the Junior B squad will be back in action this coming season.

After a meeting July 5 the Sabres executive had decided to shelve the team after they received no response to a plea for help. The current executive, who have run the team for the past five years, admitted they were tired and some "new blood" had to be injected into the team if it was to continue this season.

As well, a shortage of money had left the team financially crippled, leaving no alternative to the executive but to pull the team out of the league for a year.

Late Sunday night the Sabres president Frank Allsop received a call from Carol Robinson, secretary of the Acton Minor

Hockey Association (AMHA), expressing an interest in taking over the troubled team.

An emergency meeting was called by the Sabres executive at which it was decided the AMHA would assume the position of the Sabres executive.

Robinson stated during the meeting that with both the Juvenile team and the Sabres collecting dust over the winter there would be no place for hockey players graduating the AMHA system to go.

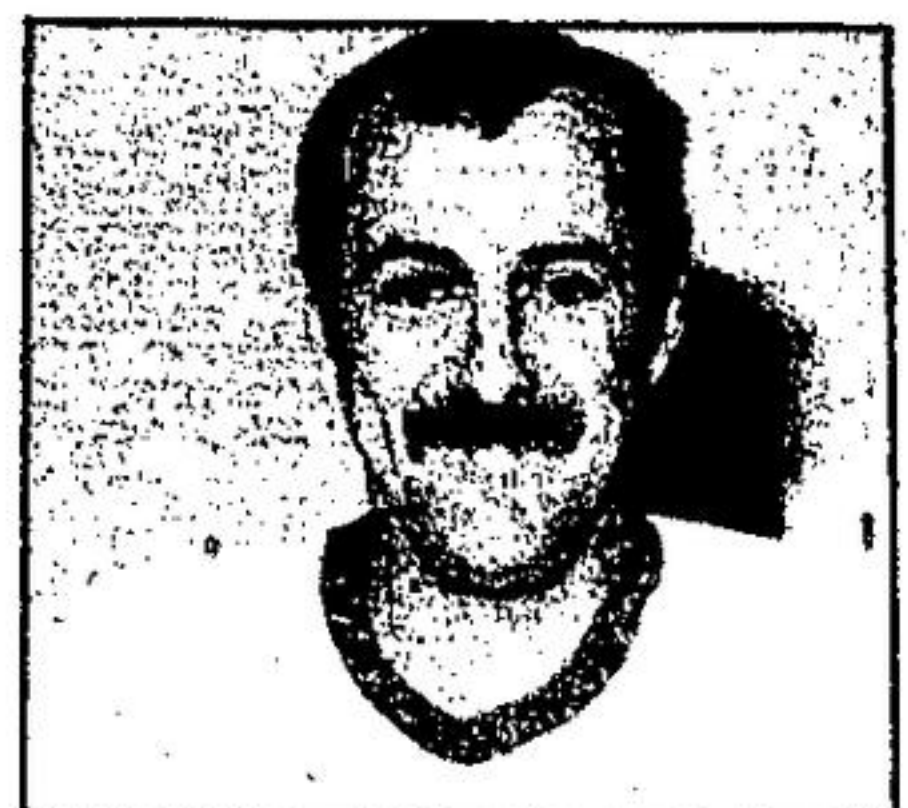
"We aren't sure that we can run the Sabres successfully, but we have to at least give it a try," said Robinson.

Robinson also requested that the members of the present Sabres executive advise the AMHA on procedures of running a Junior B club and said, "We are certainly going to give it (the Sabres) our best shot."

"As far as money goes," said Robinson, "there shouldn't be any real problems, but right now we have to concentrate on getting the Sabres organized for the start of the season which is less than two months away."

Neil Downs, spokesman for the OHA (Ontario Hockey Association), said there was some concern over the Sabres being able to return to the league after withdrawing because a tentative schedule had been made up. Barring complications, after formal notification of the change in executive the Sabres should be able to return to the league.

Downs also noted that the league will be increased to ten teams this year with Acton returning and the Vaughan Raiders joining the league for the first season.



Gary Ford has been named the Sabres' head coach.

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Acton claims crowns

The Glen Williams ball park was a beehive over the weekend as several teams competed for tourney honors in 10 different divisions at the annual Glen Minor Ball tourney.

Acton came away the big winner over the two day event walking off with titles in five of the divisions while Milton, Caledon East, Limehouse, Eramosa and the host Glen claimed one title each.

Acton dominated the atom division win-

ning the boys' and girls' titles while the Milton squirt girls and Acton Tri-county team dominated the squirt divisions.

The Glen Williams Pee-wee boys emerged victorious in their age class while Acton won out in the girls' group. In bantam, it was the Acton girls who emerged winners while Eramosa claimed the overall boys' title.

Caledon East captured the midget crown for the boys with Limehouse topping the girls' competition.

New Dundee clips A's

Battling New Dundee to a 3-3 tie in the bottom of the ninth inning the Acton Junior A's lost a heartbreaker 4-3 Friday night.

Roy Spear pitched a fantastic game striking 13 New Dundee batters out but a home run in the eighth frame and a run in the bottom of the ninth ousted the A's.

Dave Wilson put Acton on the scoreboard first after singling to first and then moving into scoring position on a stolen base and a single by Scott Kennedy. A squeeze play by Don Casselman sent Wilson home.

It wasn't until the fourth inning that Acton struck again and this time Gord Scott pounded out a double and stole third to march into scoring position. An error by a New Dundee outfielder left room for Scott to romp across home plate.

Unfortunately, New Dundee had their bats warmed up in the fourth frame as well and by the time the dust had settled Acton's opposition had tied up the game.

However, Casselman returned fire in the top of the fifth to put Acton ahead again. Singling to first Casselman walked to second when Mark Symes was hit by a pitch. A

single by Gord McArthur put Casselman on third and another squeeze play sent him home.

The score remained in Acton's favor until the eighth frame when a New Dundee batter smashed the ball over the fence for a home run.

With the game tied going into the ninth inning New Dundee squeaked by with a final run.

The A's season record is now 11 wins and five losses which puts them in second place in their division.

First place is held by Guelph with 11 wins and three losses and third is maintained by Waterloo with an eight and eight record. Maryhill is fourth with seven wins and eight losses.

This week the A's fans will have ample chance to catch the Juniors at home as Innerkip will be in town at 7 p.m. Saturday night, Baden will take on the A's Sunday at 7 p.m. and Monday Guelph will be pitted against Acton at 8:30 p.m.

All games will be played at Prospect Park.

Firestone tramples league leaders 5-2

The Acton Hillon Hills Firestone Ladies Fastball squad extended their winning streak to six games this week as they overpowered the league leaders 5-2.

Battling against Hillsburgh which is tied for top spot in the league with Erin, the Acton ladies are now firmly in third place.

No runs were tallied in the first four innings of the match until a hit by Natalie Russiani sent Susan Wilson and Clare

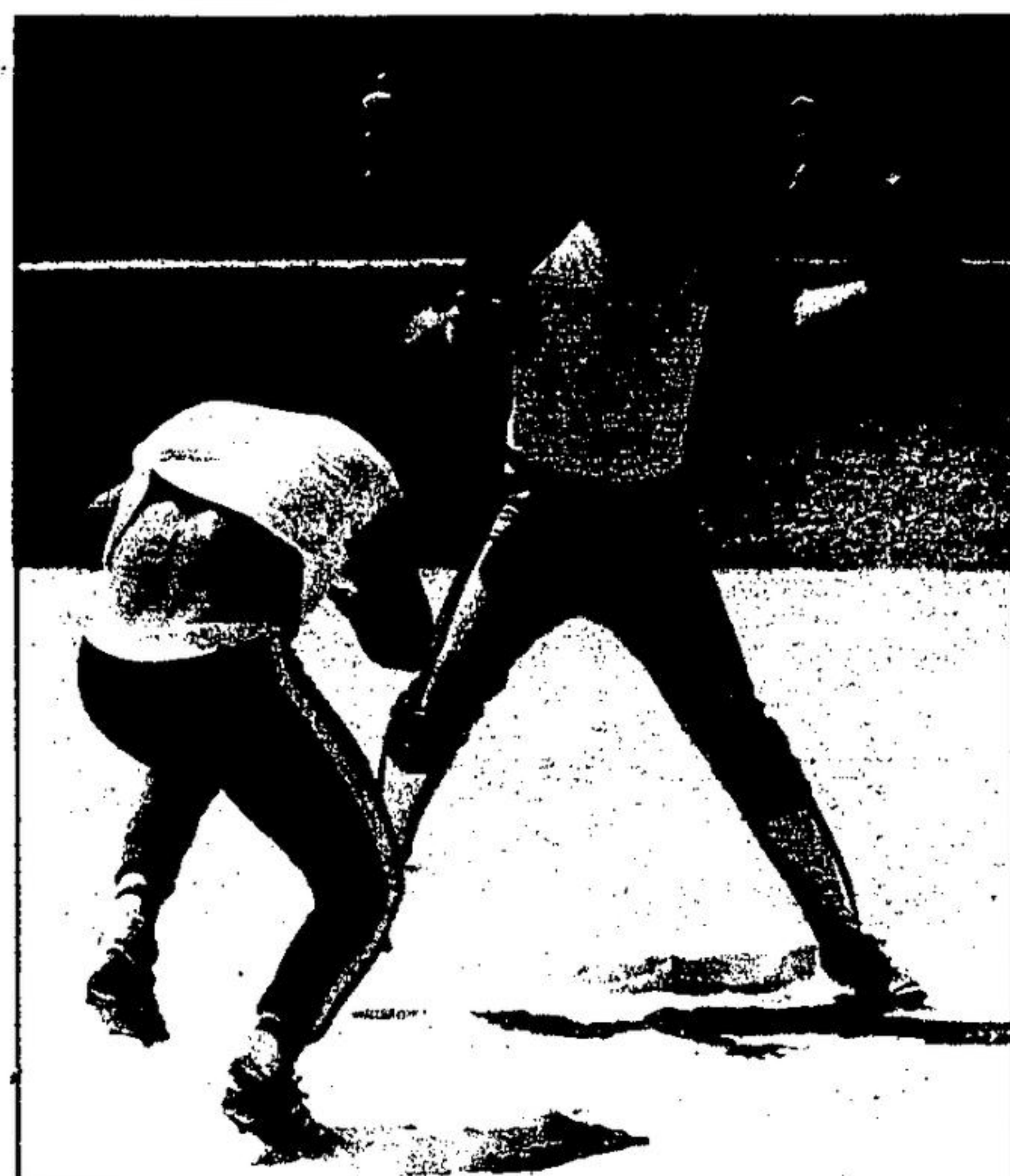
Herrmann around the bases.

Another single, this time from Sally Briggs, added a total of four runs to the tally and Teresa Dunn poked the ball into the field to clinch the game with the fifth run of the day.

Excellent pitching was supplied by Jan Inglis in the seven inning match and Natalie Russiani was named the game's MVP after outstanding play at third base and two for three record at bat.



No one can say the Glen Williams Atom Boys don't back each other up. Three members of the area squad were prepared to nail an Acton base stealer during a first round match. Acton went on to claim five titles in the ten divisions up for grabs at the Glen Minor Ball Tourney on the weekend.



Collision course! The action was fast and furious at the Georgetown Fairgrounds on the weekend as 16 teams did battle in the Allison Cornhuskers Fastball Tourney. Jerry Paul of Acton's Canadian Tire crossed paths with Limehouse's Brad Deforest of the Indiana Expos. Scarborough Royals claimed the tourney crown defeating Red Stop of Milton in the final while the 84'w' Ball Roadrunners of Acton claimed the consolation title.

Oldtimers over Glen Williams 8-7

Competing against teams from Glen Williams and Bramalea, the Acton Oldtimers have come out of their last three games with a two-win, one-loss record.

June 29, the local team clipped Glen Williams 8-7, then July 12 they defeated Bramalea 4-2. In a return engagement, the Oldtimers succumbed to Bramalea 4-0.

Playing against the Glen, Bruce MacPherson, Wes Kutasienski and Bob MacKay connected in the top of the opening frame to take control of the match 3-0.

Following in the second inning with runs were Kutasienski, Barry Cuthbert and Ray Graham establishing a 6-0 lead.

The Acton squad continued to shut out the Glen until the fifth inning and then their opponents began to return fire.

Scoring once in the fifth, three times in the sixth and three times in the seventh, the Glen had the game in hand.

Fortunately for Acton, Grant Usher pounded out a triple in the seventh inning

Foodland feasts on Puslinch

The A B Foodland Tri County Atoms took their third win this week, pounding Puslinch Green 25-1.

In other Tri County action for Foodland the local squad took a match against Eramosa White by default and, again by default, Foodland won against Puslinch White.

In their most recent match against Puslinch Green, David Deforest, Kenny Jaffray, Michael Scheil, Jason Dunn and Duane Piper led the Foodland assault with three runs each.

and tied the game on a single by Bruce MacPherson.

Clinching the game for Acton was Bob MacKay with a two-base hit, who was sent home on a double by Avery.

In their battle against Bramalea it was Bramalea's turn to take the first lead in the game, shutting out Acton until the seventh frame.

At that point, with Bramalea leading 2-0, Bob MacKay and Bob Jarrett rounded the

bases to tie the match. In the following inning Wes Kutasienski and MacKay tallied another two runs to capture their second win in as many games.

However, the Oldtimers' winning streak was ended after two when Bramalea came back to blank Acton.

Scoring once in the first and fifth innings and twice in the sixth Bramalea never lost control of the game despite several good efforts from Acton.

Nellis notches four wins

The Nellis Construction Atoms are proving to be a tough team to beat as they've swamped their opponents in their last four matches.

June 26 Nellis bombed Limehouse 15-1 and June 28 the local squad pounded Glen Williams 12-2. Also in Atom action Acton blanked Glen Williams 2-0 in a return engagement July 10. July 3 they doubled Hornby 8-4.

Brett Wilson went two for two at the plate to score two runs, including a home run against Limehouse and Ryan Masales and Brad Hayter added two runs each. Also scoring for Nellis with one run each were Dwayne Sankey, Chris Hayter, Jeremy

Cooney, Mark Hachey, Ryan Lowrie, Kevin Argudin, Johnathon Coe, Jason Vidler, Shane Corkum and Don Haynes.

Sankey, Brad Hayter, Chris Hayter and Brett Wilson swung the big bats for Acton against Glen Williams June 28 and Cooney, Corkum and Brian McCallum rounded out the score with a single each.

In the July 3 game Acton started off with a five run rally in the opening frame of the game to grab a three run lead and then single runs in the second, third and fourth inning clinched the match.

Scoring for Nellis were Masales with two runs and Sankey, Brad and Chris Hayter, Wilson, Cooney and Corkum, with a home run, added singles.

Wedco matches Atlas Copco 4-4

In the only Condo League game this week, Wedco matched Atlas Copco 4-4.

Ray Williams started off the Wedco drive with a home run and adding a final tally in the seventh frame Williams kept Copco alive with a tie.

Also notching a run each for Wedco were Steve Waring and D. McLean.

Recording runs for Atlas were Ron, Gus, Fred and John. (No last names were available for Atlas winners.)