



Legion feature team



This week's feature team is Montreal. Team members are Richard Calasia, Ron Marchand, Jeff Malby, Mike Cese, Darren Shipman, Greg Kabestra, Don Swinamer, Brian Fife, Phil Pumphrey, Kevin Toal and Scott Nellie. Montreal coaches are Roger Caislie and Ken Slaney.

Toronto goalie Dave Clerk dives on the puck while a team mate tries to clear Montreal's Kevin Toal out of the slot in recent Legion Midget hockey action.



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Patrick Shortill of the Cameros shows his style on the lanes during Saturday morning youth bowling.

It's right up their alley



Teri Petrillo of the Cameros makes sure she follows through.



Darrin Duffield of the Gogotters checks his position relevant to the foul line as he lets the ball go.



Kasey Iredale hopes for a strike as she lets one go. Kasey bowls for the Dee Strikers.



Susanne Deforest concentrates as she throws the ball. Susanne bowls for the Gogotters.

Minor teams winging their way to Norway

By PAM DOUGLAS

Today's the day. Local hockey players bound for the land of the Viking today will be tested six times during their overseas tour and anything can happen, according to Acton Minor Hockey Association president John Rogers.

"We believe their teams (in Norway) are roughly the equivalent of ours," he told the Free Press. "We've been told to expect some older boys on their teams because they have a slightly different system."

But winning and losing is not a factor, he said. The big plus is experience in international play.

"If we're really strong (in comparison) they (Norwegian coaches) will make an attempt to beef up their team to try to keep the teams fairly even," he said. "If they're really strong, we will make the appropriate adjustments."

The teams will practise this Friday and play their first game in Hoenefoss, just outside of Oslo, the next day. This Sunday, they will play again, this time in Asker, another nearby town.

Dec. 31 will be their second and last practice, followed by games Jan. 2 in Jordal, which is within the city of Oslo.

Next they play in Furset, also within the city, Jan. 3. They travel to Asker again for games Jan. 4, Jan. 6 brings them back into the city (an area called Hasle) for their sixth and final game.

All games will be played at noon or 1 p.m.

Two events have been organized for the athlete's non-playing time. A luncheon with the mayor of Asker has been set for Jan. 3 and everyone has been invited to a horse-sledding event being held Jan. 5.

The players are staying with host families and will celebrate New Year's Eve with them.

They leave Oslo Jan. 8 and spend one night in Copenhagen on a stopover.

"We're hoping to see some of Copenhagen, as well," Rogers said.

The OMHA obtained their fund-raising goal before they left on the trip. The bulk of the \$16,000 they raised came from selling cheese. They made approximately \$5,000 from cheese sales. A cake sale, some car washes and two yard sales also added to the pot.

"Norway Night" at Jack Tanner's Table added over \$1,000, Ted Tyler of Tyler Travel donated two free airline tickets and some money and the Acton business community added several thousand dollars. Cheques ranged from \$20 to \$350.

The OMHA is in the process of reimbursing parents who put out money for airline tickets and team jackets. Approximately \$500 will be refunded, possibly a few dollars more, said Rogers.

Rogers said they managed to raise a little more than \$16,000.

The Norwegian teams will be coming to Acton some time later next year (1985), he said. The Association will begin fund-raising to host the visitors when that expense is worked out. The same fund-raising ventures will be undertaken possibly in February.



Ten swimmers performed beautifully in a synchronized swim that delighted the audience at the annual Christmas water Show at the Lion's Pool recently.



Greg Leatherland (3) contributed defense to the Redmen's unsuccessful bid to beat the Georgetown Rebels Tuesday.

Rebels edge Redmen in basketball battles

The basketball rivalry between the Acton Redmen and the Georgetown Rebels heated up in the Acton gym last Tuesday as the midget and junior teams from both centres hit the courts looking for a couple of Halton High School Basketball league wins.

When the final dust cleared it was the Rebels who came away double winners but not without a fight. In the middle match the Georgetown squad claimed their second straight come from behind win as they rallied from a 10-9 Acton halftime lead to score a 32-25 triumph.

In the junior game Georgetown jumped

out in front early, building a 22-10 margin at the half and holding on to that 12 point margin over the final half for a 52-40 win.

In the midget clash Dave Harris led the Georgetown attack with ten points while Dick Jamer added eight and Rob Jickling six. For the Redmen it was Chris Burrell leading the way with nine, Scott Williams chipped in eight in the losing effort.

Alan Scott led the Acton attack in the junior contest firing 14 points but to no avail. Lloyd Newman hit for 11 as the Rebels claimed victory. Rich Lawson and Simon Evans hit for six each for Georgetown.



Despite Evan Haylor's valiant attempts to help the Redmen's cause, the team suffered defeat at the hands of the Georgetown squad. Haylor (22) was surrounded by the opposition, but teammate Greg Leatherland (3) couldn't do much to help.

Holmes plate



By MARK HOLMES

This is my last column before I head to Norway next week and while most of you are reading this, I'll be somewhere between Acton and Norway with a plane-load of hockey players.

Going to Norway is the best Christmas present I've ever had and it's likely the best one I'll ever have. At the risk of

repeating myself, I'm going to say again that the efforts of the AMHA and their supporters has been outstanding and this trip will be the experience of a lifetime.

For those of you that don't know, the fund-raising efforts have met with unqualified success and the \$16,000 goal has been achieved.

I hope to get a little skiing in and see all the tourist attractions within a 50-mile radius of Oslo. No doubt the Free Press will chronicle my travels and I'll be bringing back a truckful of film so everyone can get a taste of Europe.

I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and keep safe and healthy over the holidays.