

Juniors drop two, Seniors hit for two

This past week saw the GDHS Junior Rebels suffer two more defeats, while the Senior Rebels, reverting to their play of weeks past, picked up two victories.

On Friday afternoon, the Juniors were handled by the Perdue Panthers 66-42. James Lawson was the high scorer with 14 points while Brian Adamarek hooped 11. Last Monday the Junior Rebs put up a good struggle for a little over half the game but were finally bested by M. M. Robinson 67-34. James Lawson and Paul Krowchuk each scored eight points. Brian Adamarek signed in with seven.

The Seniors, although they won their tilt, had the kind of a week which causes coaches to grow old before their time and seriously question their career.

On Friday, the Rebels were down by one point with 30 seconds left to go. A steal on the part of the Rebels, allowed Paul Nichol to click for a nice three-point play and when the final buzzer sounded they were the victors 63-58. Coach Jim Costigan singled out the outstanding play of guard Paul Nichol. Nichol hit for 17 points but also pulled down nine rebounds, which is excellent for a guard. Mark Reiss was high man with 22 points, Rick Gourlie added 10.

On Monday, the Senior Rebels again had coach Costigan reaching for his tranquilizers as they eked out a 40-39 win over M. M. Robinson. The game was for second place, which the Rebels now occupy. Their regular season record now stands at 6-1. Mark

Reis had 12 points, as did Rick Gourlie.

This Friday evening the two Rebel contingents host third-place Alderhot in the last home game of the season. For this game, the school will be attempting an experiment. Most games are played in the afternoon but these games, in the hopes of attracting more supporters will be played at night. The Junior clash is scheduled for 6.15 and the Seniors take to the boards at 7.30. In addition to the games, a dance will be held later in the gym.

All three attractions are going for the price of one. Your admission to the games also gains you entry to the dance. Although the Juniors are a bit down on their luck, both teams display an exciting brand of ball and definitely deserve more support than has been shown in the past.

Gymnasts competitive group

The GDHS girls' gymnastic team is rapidly shaping into what coach Joyce Finley hopes will be good enough form to match their success of last year. 1974 saw the team win the East Halton and Halton Championships and place fourth in the Peel-Halton Championships.

Although she wouldn't come out with any definite predictions, coach Finley perhaps gave away her hopes when she admitted that the team, as a whole, was stronger than last year's version and she is looking forward to improving on last year's record. She did hedge her confidence a bit, however, as she feels the team will be up against some stiff competition that undoubtedly will also have improved since last year.

GDHS will be holding a dual meet against Bramalea this coming Thursday and, although it is a bit early to get a true look at how the team will fare this year, at least their capabilities will be able to be more easily assessed. Along with Joyce Finley, Shirley White is helping to bring the team along.

Poor meet

The GDHS swim team had a disappointing day last Thursday at Lord Elgin High School in Burlington. Their final meet before the Halton Championships was scheduled among GDHS, Perdue of Oakville and Milton High School. Milton failed to turn up and Perdue arrived without their Senior team and were missing several of their Junior team members. What was supposed to be a final tune-up disintegrated into exhibition swims with a few races thrown in.

The team is now working towards the Halton championships which will be held at M. M. Robinson High School in Burlington on Thursday, February 20. Coach Bill Balfour is hoping to have some, if not all, his swimmers entered in the Peel-Halton Championships scheduled for the week following the Haltons.

Change minor soccer fees

The Georgetown Minor Soccer Association held a general meeting last Sunday at the Cedarvale Community Centre.

Tough opponent

In high school girls' volleyball play this past week, the GDHS Junior Rebellettes continued their winning ways, taking matches from T. A. Blakelock High and White Oaks High School. The Senior Rebellettes split the week's matches, losing to Blakelock but defeating White Oaks.

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Bantams seven out

Statistics released recently have Georgetown's Minor Bantams finishing fifth in their eight-team league. The local squad wound up only seven points out of first place, behind Milton, Burlington, Chinguacousy and Brampton.

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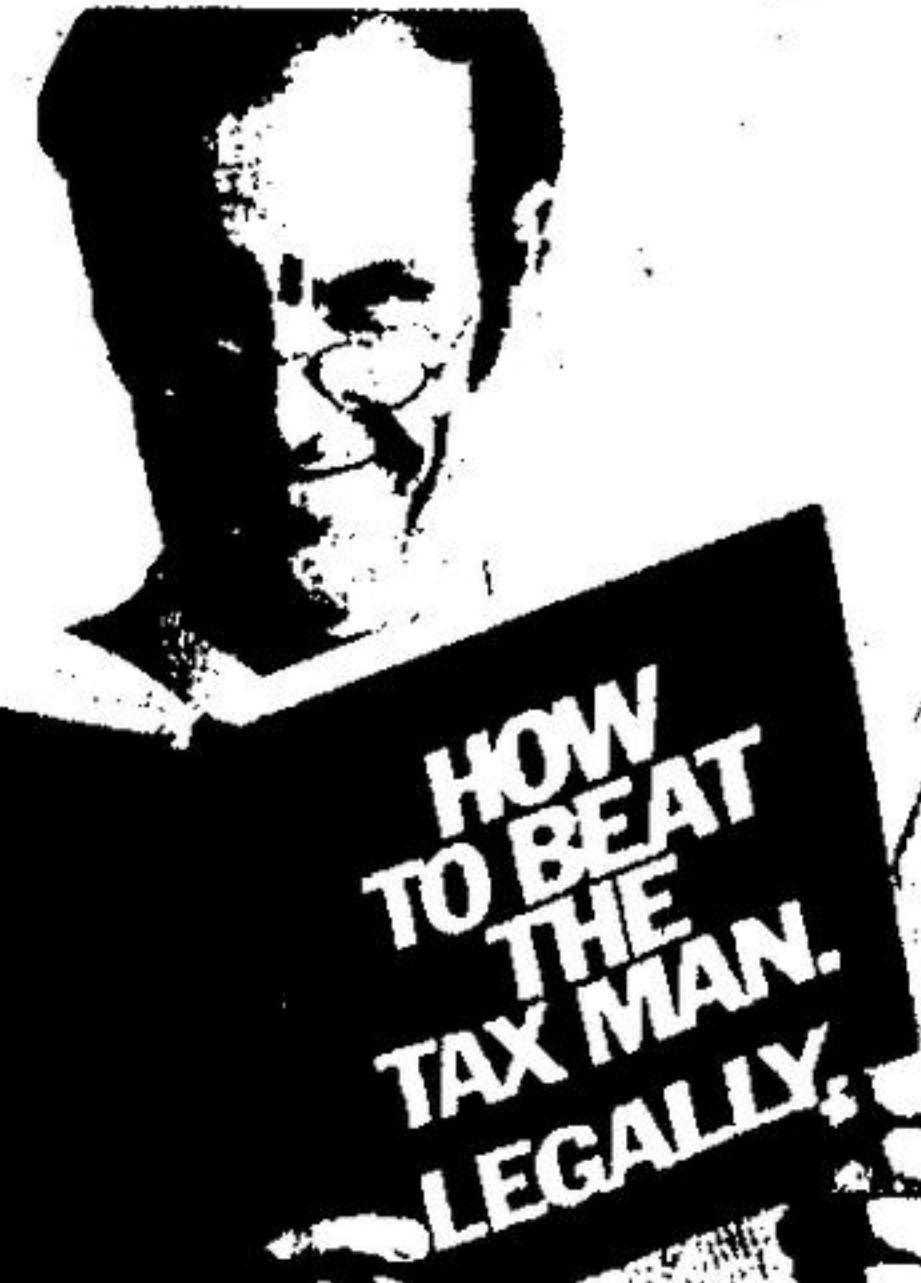
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Ice fishing is beginning

First things first. Once again we have the problem of oil spills in our streams and rivers. This time the disaster area was the Sixteen Mile Creek, again. The refinery settling tanks apparently over-flowed and spilled into the creek. This area was just beginning to come into its own again with some fair fishing being reported and Rainbow Trout taken at the mouth. Prospects were good. Now, who knows?

While fishing the harbor area of Owen Sound on Jan. 11 of this year, I saw and reported thick oil flowing into the river from a sewer that came in to the river from the wall on the west side. This is in front of the ferry Norgoma, in its winter berth. As yet I have no word as to where it was coming from. Somehow we have to stop this terrible and unnecessary pollution.

Every keen fisherman has a list of fish they want to catch sooner or later. This is what dreams are started from and very often the plans for a fishing trip. I am no exception. However, recently I caught several fish that were not on my list. Such fish as Squirrelfish, Pampano, Triggerfish, Butterfish, Sea Trout, Spotted Sea Trout, and Grouper. I was fortunate enough to get in a week in Florida the last week in January and took the time out to do a little fishing and these were the fish that I caught while at this pleasant pastime in 85 degree weather. Nothing big, but plenty of them.

From that to ice fishing. What a difference! But it is all fishing and I enjoy all aspects of it.

Apparently a lot of people decided to take the advice given them and take in the activities at the Credit Valley "Winter Come Along" held at the CVCA area at Terra Cotta. Over 2,000 turned up to enjoy a fine winter day and fun. I almost feel sorry that I was in Florida at the time and had to miss it. Maybe next year...

There is now plenty of snow and aking is good in almost all areas. The ice thickness is getting better. As this is still not a sure thing, check with the MORN or a fish hut operator before venturing out on to the ice. I hope to have a first hand report for you next week on the ice fishing conditions. Huts on Simcoe are usually out by the end of January, but the mild weather has kept them off this year. However they are appearing now and things are looking up.

According to Don DesJardine, biologist in charge of the Lake Simcoe fish assessment unit at Sibald Point Park, it will be a disappointment for him also. His disap-



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Each winter as many as 70,000 anglers fish Lake Simcoe and last year caught over 300,000 fish. A lake worth saving, that one.

Remember that many of the provincial parks are open for winter activities and Sibald Point Park is one of these. Plowed roads and campfires, heated washrooms with hot water, central fuel wood, drinking water, garbage disposal and electrical outlets are aspects of these parks to attract the winter visitor. Of course Sibald Point is convenient for the Lake Simcoe fisherman. The ministry of natural resources has prepared a network of snowmobile trails and, if you must drive the stupid things, I guess that is the place to do it.

Think hypothermia, the dropping of body temperature. In our winters and with the many activities there are available, one must constantly be on the alert for this death dealing condition. Wear sensible clothing, preferably wool. It loses heat slower than cottons. The head should be covered at all times. The back of the neck is also a vulnerable spot. Be prepared for cold wet weather, don't let the dead chill of hypothermia overtake you.

Did you know, "many men go fishing all their lives without knowing it is not the fish they are after."

Next week... Bird boxes and a word about fishing fever.

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