

HERALD sports

First out: Raiders wade through verbal battles

The problem that has plagued the Raiders all year long cropped up again in the final week of the season and put a damper on the team's late season surge. The Raiders play tough, determined hockey against the league's better teams but seem to let up when facing the loop's weaker sides.

Such was the case in Dunnville last Thursday evening as the Raiders dropped a 3-2 decision in overtime to the lowly Mudcats, doormats of the league. The Raiders led 2-0 at the end of two periods of play and, although the Mudcats scored early in the final stanza, they appeared effectively out of the game until they counted a

last gasp goal at the 19:15 mark. This gave the Mudders a much needed boost and it took them only 45 seconds in the overtime frame to send the Raiders off the ice on the short end of the score.

The Raiders peppered Mudcats goalie Sandy Hale with 46 drives, while Raiders goalie, Keith Pallett, was only forced to face 26 shots.

Paul Burger, a mainstay for the Raiders in their post-Christmas transformation opened the scoring on an unassisted effort at the 15:39 mark of the first frame. Gerry Pearson, from Bob Gendron made it 2-0 at the 3:33 point of the second.

NAME	GP	G	A	PTS
Bob Gendron	34	24	19	43
Gerry Pearson	36	22	19	41
Ray Evans	36	15	26	41
Tom Gilbert	27	17	18	35
Bob Marchildon	30	17	16	33
Paul Burger	20	10	22	32
Frank Hincks	25	16	15	31
Pete Bettiol	15	15	10	25
Neil Cotten	24	6	16	22
John Boyce	31	6	16	22
Brian Hurley	21	9	10	19
Junior Tibbets	15	9	9	18
Bill Currie	17	3	15	18
Bob Larmond	31	3	15	18
Mike Mahoney	10	4	6	10
Jim Blair	21	4	6	10
Bruce Lewis	19	1	7	8
Arl Webster	20	0	6	6
Jerry Whalen	8	2	1	3
Doug Elliott	11	1	2	3
Jerry Walmesley	2	1	0	1
Terry Holmes	1	0	1	1
John Lunn	2	0	1	1
Keith Pallett	23	0	1	1
Bob McCordie	12	0	0	0
John Blair	2	0	0	0

TEAM	G	W	L	T	F	A	PTS
Port Colborne	36	23	12	1	186	154	47
Fort Erie	36	22	14	0	221	216	44
Georgetown	36	20	13	3	185	154	43
Thorold	36	20	16	0	190	170	40
Oakville	34	17	17	0	164	159	34
Dundas	36	11	24	1	149	179	23
Dunnville	34	8	25	1	136	199	17

Two games against Oakville and Dunnville not played as they had no bearing on final league standings.

Georgetown, 7-Port Colborne, 3
Oakville, 11-Fort Erie, 4
Dundas, 5-Thorold, 4 (overtime)
Fort Erie, 9-Dundas, 6
Dunnville, 11-Thorold, 5
Fort Erie, 10-Oakville, 4
Port Colborne, 6-Dundas, 4
Dunnville, 3-Georgetown, 2 (overtime)

NAME-TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
Gerry Roussel - Fort Erie	32	38	61	99
Dave Pay - Thorold	35	25	41	66
Frank Paone - Thorold	29	24	36	60
Bob Green - Fort Erie	28	19	38	57
Ros Romanyk - Fort Erie	24	31	25	56
Mike Green - Ft. Colborne	30	22	33	55
Fred LaSalle - Thorold	35	24	30	53
Gerry Maney - Thorold	34	23	30	53

It's team work

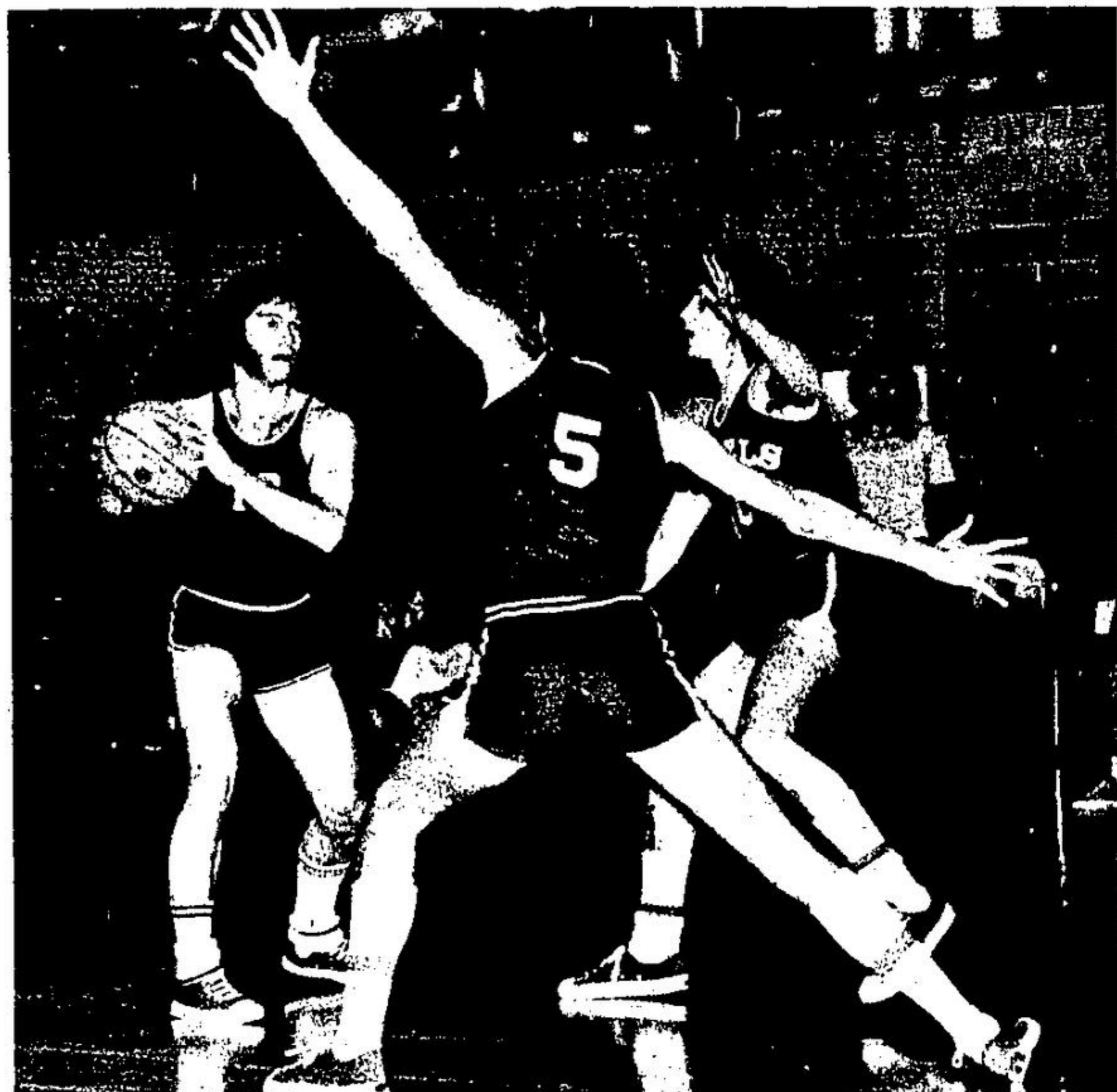
It was brought to our attention this past week that a unique exhibition hockey game was staged recently. Some people associated with house league hockey wondered how a team made up of bantam house leaguers would fare against a Bantam Four-Town team, the Four-Towners being all-stars. A team of house-leaguers was chosen and named the Selects. They were coached by Gord English and the game was played in Mayfield. With nary a practice, the Selects soundly defeated the Four-Town Bantams 12-3.

The Raiders, in a convincing manner, sunk the Middle 7-3. This marked the first time this year that the Raiders have taken the measure of the team from Port Colborne and this should give the team quite a shot in the arm as playoff time rolls around. The first period ended in a 3-3 tie. Tom Gilbert, Bill Currie and Paul Burger scored for the Raiders while Mike Green, Ted DeRuiter and Steve Latnovich replied for Port Colborne. The score is not really indicative of the game though, as the Raiders had a definite edge in play and only some superb work by the Port Colborne goalie Rob Stewart kept the game from turning into a rout at this early point. Keith Pallett, in the Raider nets did not look that effective in the opening period and appeared shaky on one goal in particular. His play improved in the second and third frames and he blanked the Port Colborne shooters the rest of the way. This was an important contest for Pallett as he was

within striking distance of Rob Stewart, the Sailor's cage keeper for the league leadership in allowing the fewest goals against. This could have accounted for his initial nervousness. As it turned out, Pallett and Stewart did tie for the best goals against average, both teams being scored on 154 times. It should be pointed out, however, that Pallett's own goals against average is superior to that of Stewart's. The Raiders took the lead in the game for good at the 11:02 mark of the second when Pete Bettiol hit for the first of his two goals for the encounter. Paul Burger assisted on the go-ahead goal. Within the space of a little

over a minute in the third period, the Raiders put the game out of reach. Bob Gendron from John Lunn and Tom Gilbert scored at the 7:00 mark and Ray Evans from Gerry Pearson at the 8:33 mark squelched the Sailor's hopes effectively. Pete Bettiol picked up his second goal of the game and an insurance marker at the 18:35 mark. Paul Burger, hit for a three-point performance for the night, and John Boyce assisted on this final counter. The Raiders officially finished in third place in the league standings, but from here the picture becomes murky with regards to the playoffs. The league was supposed to meet last Sunday to set up a playoff schedule, but in the interim, Port Colborne had lodged a protest against the Raiders, charging them with playing an improperly signed player. The Raiders in turn filed a counter protest against the Sailors and these will have to be ironed out before the playoffs can get underway. If the Raiders are shown to be in the wrong, they could be relegated to seventh place and find themselves finished for the season. This would be quite a blow to the team as they stand a good chance of making it four Hardy Cup wins in a row. According to sources close to the Raiders, a meeting will be taking place shortly and the situation will be cleared up, hopefully before week's end.

Senior Rebels coach Jim Coitigan obviously knows his team's capabilities as well as its limitations. Before Friday's contest with Aldershot he commented that the Rebels should win by five but, that they would be seriously hampered should anyone get into foul trouble. The Rebels defeated Aldershot by seven points, 47-40, but almost gave the game away in the first half as they were obviously shying away from taking good fouls and Aldershot was quick to take advantage. The Rebels had to be a bit leery of taking too many fouls as they had only two reserves. The score at the half was 18-16, Aldershot. Coach Coitigan must have reminded the boys that a certain amount of physical contact is part of the game as the second half saw the Rebels play with a lot more confidence, especially in their rebounding. Georgetown took the lead 28-24 at the three-minute mark of the third



SENIOR REBELS Grady Leneki (5) and Paul Nichol throw up a defensive screen on an Aldershot ball-handler. The Rebels, behind 18-16 at half-time, came back to win the game 47-40.

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quarter and never looked back. With five minutes to go, the team suffered a slight lull as Aldershot crept to within four points. But the Rebels wanted this win and pulled away on some nice outside shooting. Mark Reles played a fine game and obviously his layoff didn't affect his shooting. He hit for 23 points and was rebounding with a vengeance. Mike Stankovits added ten points for the Rebels. The team's record now stands at 7-1 and they appear to be firmly entrenched in second place. Junior coach, Murray Hall, must have thought that he had witnessed two separate games when his team left the floor. The Junior Rebels were ahead of Aldershot 20-12 at the half and appeared to have the game well in hand. Then the roof caved in. With a mere three minutes gone in the third quarter, Aldershot managed to tie the score 22-22. Erratic ball-handling and poor shooting highlighted the



THINGS GOT SLIGHTLY OUT OF HAND in last Thursday's contest between Georgetown's Sunny Acres Major Midgets and Dundas. Georgetown won the game 5-2 and thus advanced to the first round of OMHA playdowns. The flare-up was the result of sheer frustration on the part of the Dundas team.

Up the playoff ladder

Tri-County Round Robin Playoffs
This Round Robin Series is a playoff series for those teams not currently involved in OMHA playoffs and is a "total points" series in that the team accumulating the most points will be declared the Tri-County Peewee Champs. Any team that advances beyond the first round of OMHA playdowns are no longer eligible to play in this series.

RESULTS
Major Peewees
Sunday, February 16
Georgetown 2
Brampton 4

The major peewees had a 2-0 lead in this one only to have the Brampton team catch fire in the third period scoring all four of their goals. Bill Wainwright, unassisted and Steve Robbins from Mark Bingham were the point-getters for the Georgetown team. Glen Cunningham and Herb Kewley turned in good games on defence and Steve Robbins skated hard for the forwards. Mike Isakovnyk in the Georgetown goal turned aside a barrage of shots in the third period giving his team good support.

OMHA Playoffs
We now have further word on these playoffs. The Major Peewees and the Major Bantams start their series against Port Colborne this Tuesday, February 18. Peewees at 7:45 p.m. and the Bantams at 8:45 p.m. in town. They travel to Port Colborne

Thursday, February 20. Times for these games will not be decided until the first game.

February 15
Novice
Georgetown 1
Streetville 2

Good goaltending by Streetville gave Georgetown a 2-1 loss on Saturday afternoon. Georgetown's lone goal was scored on a solo effort by Paul Wais. The line of Tommy Forbes, John Hodgson and Scott Taggart was most effective.

February 16
Erin 3
Georgetown 1

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Mac's meet Norval in finals

Mac's Milk and Norval won their respective semi-final series in Georgetown Industrial Hockey League play last Sunday and will do battle in the finals, starting March 2 at 10 a.m. The finals will also be a best three-out-of-five affair. Norval's triumph was by no means an easy one as the Glen team were determined to go down fighting. There was no scoring in the first period and the score was tied 1-1 at the end of the second. At the midway point in the third frame the game was tied 2-2. Norval then popped in two to put the game out of reach and the Glen crew out of the playoffs. Ray Peacock scored both Glen goals. Dave McMenemy had two for Norval, with singles going to Bob Moncton and Benny Steppes. Mac's Milk continued their march to post-season glory as they defeated Wheelers 3-2 and relegated them to the sidelines for the year. As with the previous games in this series, the issue was in doubt up to the final buzzer. There was very little to choose between the two teams and with a few more breaks, Wheelers could have reversed the outcome. Mac's opened the scoring at the 4:33 mark of the first period and that goal stood until the final 20 minutes. Both teams scored twice in the third period, but Mac's settled down and played good defensive hockey when they had to and skated off with the win. John Quackenbush and Terry Lane were the goal scorers for Wheelers, while Arnie Lefebvre, Bill Goddard and Dave Holmes shared the scoring for Mac's.

Junior girls first in YBC

Youth Bowlers from Oakville, Milton, Brampton, Mississauga and Georgetown captured their first place honors at the "Four Steps to Stardom" Zone Finals last weekend. On Saturday, at Village Bowl in Mississauga, Georgetown's Bantam Girls team rolled 2,494 to win that event. Congratulations to Lisa Burke, Julie Burns, Debbie Scarborough, Cathy Coburn, Robin Richardson, and their coach Joan Archibald. This weekend, the zone finals continue as our Junior Boys team bowls at Villa Bowl in Streetsville on Saturday at 10 a.m. The climax of the event will be on Sunday as all of Central Ontario's Senior YBC representatives gather at Georgetown Bowl. Our coaches have expressed great appreciation for the support given our teams last weekend. Let's see all you bowling enthusiasts out there on Sunday cheering our bowlers! The Seniors competition promises to be a great one! All champions at the zone

Local bowlers to compete for world five-pin crown

Georgetown women, Marg Bratkin and Charlene MacCormack, earned themselves a trip to Calgary last weekend at the Carling O'Keefe Eastern Canada Five-Pin Bowling Championships held in Hamilton's Sherwood Lanes. Bowling as members of Central Ontario's women's team, these two women won the honor for the second straight year. Other members of their team are Dorothy MacNaughton of Brampton, Judy Culver and Janet Peck of Mississauga and Wendy Lattanz of Oakville. They bowled an eight-game score of 9,687 to defeat the second place team from Niagara by 111 pins. The team will travel to Calgary on Easter weekend to compete in the World Five-Pin Bowling Championships.

Friday, February 15
Minor Bantam
Stratford 3
Georgetown 1

An exciting well played hockey game which found the score tied 0-0 at the end of two periods of play. This was the first game of the playoffs for the Minor Bantam team in a best two out of three series. Georgetown outplayed Stratford for two periods but could not put the puck in the net. Georgetown scored the first goal of the game on a good second effort by Mark Brabant passing to Mike McMenemy who scored on a nice fast wrist shot. Georgetown has their work cut out for them as they play Wednesday evening in Stratford and back there Saturday if the third game is necessary. Willie Humphreys was a stand-out in goal. Marty Power played a strong two-way game on defense and also on wing when on the power-play. MVP of the game, Captain Mark Eutenier.

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BANTAM GIRLS
Strikers salvaged one game and totals from Dum Dum. WHCP creamed Wild Cats in every game. Alleycats clobbered Pink Pantries in all three games. SS and A's were out-battered in every game by Bantam Bowlers. Mustangs smacked Pin Knockers in all three. Bantam rolled 670 and a 258 single. Following them were Scott Harrington 629 (234), David Finlay 627 (251), Wayne Richardson 624 (253), Michel LeBlanc 616 (242), Mary Joen McCusker 602 (277), Lee Gourlie 601 (210), Carol Barnes 596 (260), Sherry Everett 563 (217), Brenda Hedley 562 (208) and John Burke 561 (194).

SUPER SCORES
Cathy Coburn rolled this week's high threesome of 578 and a 225 single. Julie Burns shot 562 with a 224 single, a 57 trio and a 223 solo were rolled by Lisa Burke. Next were Colleen Davis 558 (244), Debbie Scarborough 492 (200), Cheryl Jackson 477 (190) and Robin Richardson 463 (186).

BANTAM BOYS
Cougers blanked Lucky Bunch for three victories. Hot Rods stole two games and totals from Rebels. Tiger Cats borrowed two and totals from Stragrays. Slickers were clipped in every game by Pin-ups. Team Standings
Pin Ups 14, Cougars 14, Hot Rods 10, Stragrays 9, Tiger Cats 5, Rebels 2, Lucky Bunch 2, Slickers 0.

SUPER SCORES
Lenard Fisher threw this week's high triple of 37 and a 220 single. David Booth rolled 556 and a 238 single. Next were Trevor Jones 527 (2500), Ross Knipe 502 (187), Russel Gourlie 499 (170), Gord Kennedy 499 (177), Robble Quinton 483 (184) and Peter Hurdie 460 (172).

JUNIORS
Pin Busters blasted New Comers in every game. Pin Powers took one game and totals from Super Six. SS and A's grabbed two games and totals from Super Strikers. Sexy Strikers blasted THCOD in all three. High Singles rode over Pin Hitters in three games straight. Team Canada flattened J's S.C.'s in all three games. Team Standings
Pin Busters 219, Sexy Strikers

SENIORS
Most were Teresa Maslach 372 (139), Billy Hay 355 (145), Jimmy Tezart 377 (125), Ted Maslach 325 (135), Jay Anderson 324 (120), Jimmy Carpenter 308 (120), Elizabeth Beecker 296 (120), Kenneth Boyer 283 (99), Karen Humphreys 277 (104), Debbie Humphreys 274 (102), Cindy Rutherford 273 (106) and Michael Tezart 272 (93).

GIRLS-STEPHANIE
Stephanie Gorin was this week's top shooter with 683 and a 284 single. Next were Wendie Harrison 672 (253), Lorraine Bouakht 668 (325),

FRANC-TIREURS
Team Standings
Clint Clendenen 61, Neil Godin 61, Adelbert Duquay 79, Farrier Gallant 71, Cliff Breen 55, Celeste Routhier 53.
High Average
Leonie Paulin 201, John Mitchell 200, Leslie Clendenen 199, Ralph Gallant 199, Cliff Clendenen 199, Dina Clendenen 195, Celeste Routhier 193, Francine Parant 180, Marc Mitchell 179, Ginette Clisson 167.
High Scores
Clint Clendenen 654 (293), Ernest Lavacoue 619 (283), Ralph Gallant 612 (269), Farrier Clisson 610 (221), Dina Clendenen 619 (292), Marg Mitchell 605 (269), Lucienne Casey 509 (198), Ginette Clisson 444 (174).

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON LADIES
Team Standings
Swinging Six, 2 Skylerks 3, Dingle Girls 4, Newcomers 3, Dingdongs, 6, Mhpups, 7, Happy Gang, 8, Lines 9, H's & A's, 10, Super Six, 11, Roadrunners, 12, Terry & The Pirates.
Top Averages
1. Sandra Wilson 209, 2. Pat Barber 202, 3. Sharon Blingham 200, 4. Karan Hamden 198, 5. Mary Handy 195, Freida Handy 194, 7. Ann Learning 187, 8. Terry Kurler 187, 9. Mary Jones 186, 10. Courtney Boyer 185.
Top Scores
Karen Harnden 777 (307), Helen Humphreys 706 (310), Vera Knipe 628 (258), Kay Johnson 609 (241), Linda Mills 606 (216), Jean Armstrong 596 (224), June Wydra 594 (200), June Stewart 584 (209).