

Warning! The refs are the best

To pass muster, a tournament in any sport must guarantee a high calibre of officiating. The International Bantam Hockey Tournament held in Georgetown is fortunate in that, since the tournament's inception in 1961, the officials' performances have always received the highest praise. Tournament chairman Harry Levy, in referring to the Georgetown Referees Association, who for the past 14 years have handled the tournament, calls them "the best organization in Ontario" and insists that this aspect of the tournament provides the least problems.

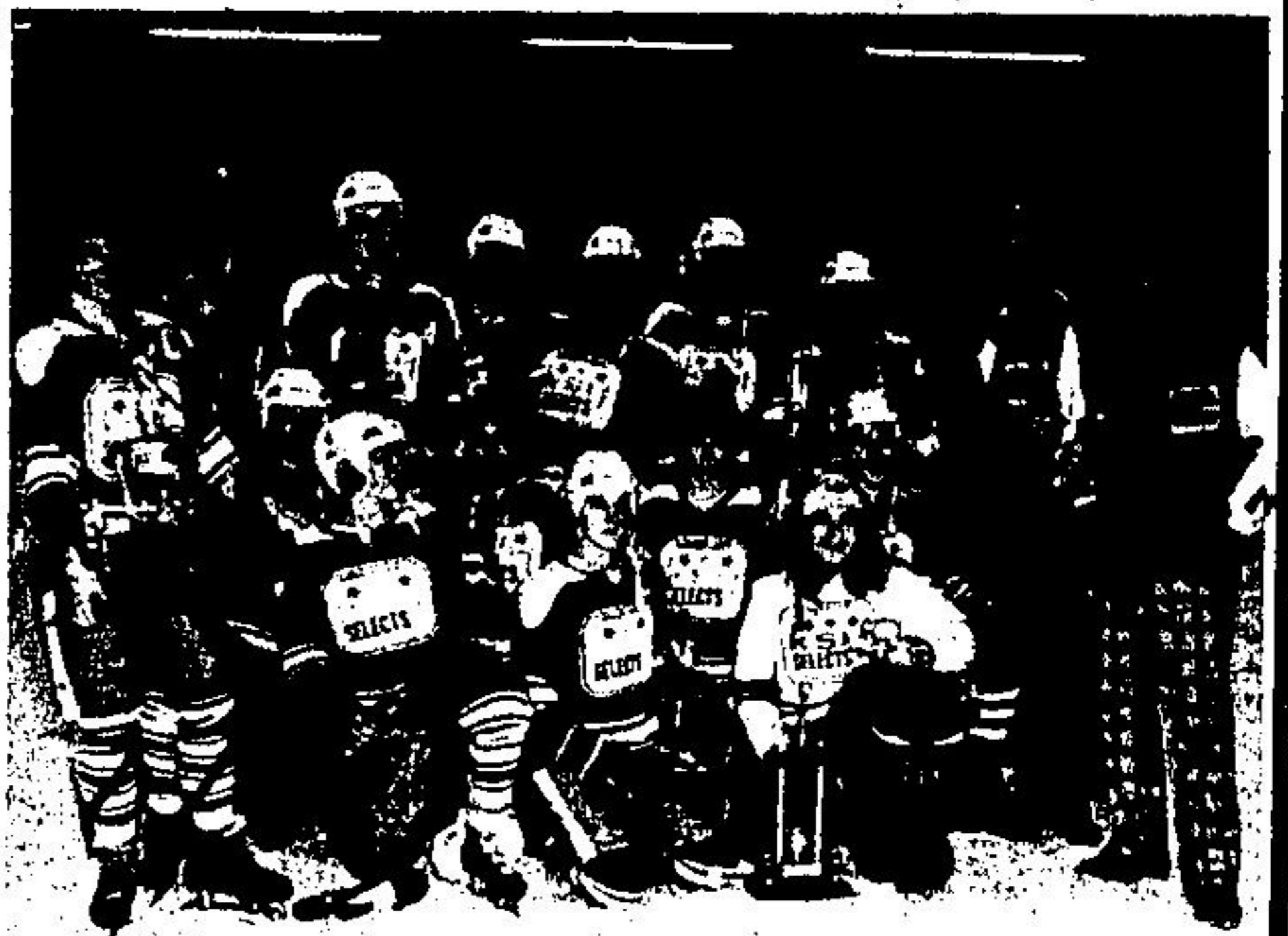
Approximately 20 referees will be handling this year's tournament and all have volunteered their services free of charge. Five local referees have taken a week off work in order to help out. On a whole, the referees will put in approximately 360 man hours. This breaks down to roughly two and-a-half hours per day per man. Although the majority

of the referees working the tournament will be from the Georgetown Referees Association, two officials will be arriving in town from Chicago and area referees are available, should the need arise. The possibility was raised by referee-in-chief, Gerry Perkins, that NHL Referees Bryan Lewis and John McCauley might be working some games. This possibility adds another dimension to the tournament.

Although the emphasis is usually placed on the players who continue to pursue hockey careers, the officials who have taken part in the Georgetown tournament and who have made the grade on the professional level, should not be overlooked. Bryan Lewis and Dave Newell of Georgetown are currently NHL referees. Willie Norris of Georgetown is an NHL linesman. Milton is represented by linesman Leon Stickle and Brampton boasts NHL referee John McCauley. Graham Hern, who participated in the Georgetown tournament as a player for Exeter is

currently a WHA linesman.

The officials who work the tournament donate their services and put in long hours, all for the benefit of minor hockey. They deserve thanks and respect and are just another reason why the International Bantam Tournament is held in such high esteem in hockey circles.



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Rules and regulations governing the 1975 Georgetown Bantam Tourney

- 1: Play will be governed by Ontario Minor Hockey Association rules and tournament sanction with the following provisions.
- 2: The tournament will be conducted on an elimination basis. Competing teams drawn against one another will play two games, total goals for the right to advance to the next round.
- 3: In the event of ties on the round, an overtime, five minute stop time period shall be played with the first goal or shots on goal deciding the winner if no goal is scored.
- 4: The game clock will be stopped in the event of injury, at the referee's discretion.
- 5: Fifteen players shall be allowed to dress for each game, plus a spare goaler who shall play only in goal.
- 6: Every skater must be equipped to the referee's satisfaction. Helmets with chin straps fastened, proper skate heel guards are both a must. Goaltenders must also wear face masks.
- 7: Each competing team may supply a man to act in the timekeeper's box if so desired.
- 8: All tournament games will be on a 3 ten-minute stop time period basis.
- 9: If a tie exists at the end of regulation time in the Grand Championship game, ten minute overtime periods shall be played with the teams changing ends every ten minutes, until the first goal is scored, breaking the tie and deciding the winner.

ATTENTION: As tournament is OMHA sanctioned, hereby warned that unnecessary rough hockey in tournament will not be tolerated. Match penalties, along with referee's written report shall be forwarded immediately to the office of the OMHA Secretary. Player is simultaneously suspended for balance of the tournament and cannot take part in any OMHA organized hockey until his case has been reviewed by the OMHA.

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