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Colin in 'fair' condition

We'd like to thank the many, many people who have been calling the Herald expressing their concern for the condition of our sports editor, Colin Gibson.

As of late Sunday night Colin was still in fair condition in Toronto General Hospital. He's in the Respiratory Care Unit on the 7th Floor, Urqhurt Wing, Toronto General Hspital.

His doctors say that he is not allowed to see any visitors for the next week or so until injuries to his chest, lungs and eyes are under control. In the meantime he'd probably certainly appreciate any cards or letters.

'Super Flake' almost a match for Geminis

The Georgetown Geminis and Streetsville Derbys showed a receptive crowd at the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena Saturday night just what Junior "B" hockey is all about.

It's all about tight hockey, fast hockey and, yes mother, even some of that violence you read all about in the papers. And, to top it all off, if you happened to be a Georgetown fan you even got a taste of what it's like to be winner.

The Geminis once again *proved that their "flash in the pan"* days are long gone. Downing the Streetsville Derbys handily 6-4 the Geminis moved into sole possession of third place in the league rankings and applied anything but subtle pressure on second ranked Oakville Blades.

To use an old sports cliche, "the score doesn't tell the real story of the game." The real story actually consists of 20 characters: 19 Geminis and "Super Flake", Streetsville's goaltender Jim Lockhurst.

Lockhurst was about the only plus on the Derbys' side. Otherwise the Geminis completely dominated a game that provided the fans on hand with some pretty fair examples of how to move the puck around your opponents' end (courtesy of the Gems).

It was really only the exceptional play of Lockhurst that kept the Derbys constantly within striking distance of the Gems. It was also Lockhurst who provided the liveliest show on the ice constanly chattering away with the fans, the players and, a little too frequently, the officials.

Which all led one Gemini fan to tag the nickname of "Super Flake" on Lockhurst who, we read, is a product of the Brampton and Bramalea hockey setup.

At the other end of the ice his counterpart, Gem goaler Rick Tomkinson, while not quite as noticeable was doing an equally capable if not better—after all the Gems won--job in manning Georgetown's goal. He particularly earned coach Paul Robinson's nod to start the game midway through the third period when the Derbys had managed to edge their way to within one goal 4-3.

A bad play at the Georgetown blue line put three Derbys one defenceman away from Tomkinson, and when that defenceman was drawn out of the play that left just Rick. Mnking a beautiful pokecheck with his stick Tomkinson managed to knock the puck out of immediate danger.

However with that and a few other exceptions the big pressure cooker in the game was always boiling away in the Derby's end, specially during the first period.

Doug Pembleton opened the scoring for the Gems just over six minutes into the opening frame. Taking a pass from Bob Fotheringham and Terry Turner, Pembleton let fire with a shot that any sane man would have been ducking. Lockhurst didn't see it.

With just 30 seconds left in the first period Doug Barnes got on track for an evening that would eventually see him move up a few points on the Most Valuable Gemini ladder, thanks to a hat trick.

The Geminis were just getting over having a goal called back on them when Barnes got a chance to rack up some revenge. Moving from the right side he fired high on a pass set up by Ken Keniner and Kevin Reeks.

Early in the second period a bad rebound from behind the net caught Gems goalie out of place and Gary Vennor was in the right place at he right time to bang the Derbys' first goal of the game home.

Georgetown just couldn't pull any further ahead and, with just 15 seconds left in the middle stanza, the Derbys hit once again to make it 3-2.

The first two periods were marked by a number of inane battles between Gems and Derbys the worst outcome of which was a stick swinging incident that injured a fan more than any of the players. By the third period the players, however, had obviously got it all out of their systems and returned to their prime concern, scoring.

Down consistently from the start the Derbys realized they had to open their play up in the third. They did but it backfired somewhat as Gemini players frequenly found their way to the Streetsville net almost wide open.

A backhand by Barnes from Fotheringham and Bill Allison at the 9:02 mark put the Geminis up by two goals but that spread had a lifespan of just about two minutes.

Rick Becker applied the touch that eventually proved to be the winner for the Gems taking a pass from Chris Milne to move slowly in from the right side once again.

At the 18:08 mark Barnes earned his free pair of pants with his third goal of the game.

This one, after all the hard shots that the Derbys' netminder had managed to handle, made it all look quite easy as Barnes merely moved straight in and flipped an easy shot over Lockhurst's shoulder.

With two seconds left to play Gord Stanfield caught Tomkinson anticipating the buzzer to finalize the score at 6-4.

In total Gems' netminder Tomkinson faced 35 shots while Lockhurst stopped 43.

The next game for the Gems comes this Friday night when they travel down to Oakville for an ultra-important match against the Blades. Second place in the standings could very well swing on the outcome of that game.

The Gems will be back at home the following night for a meeting with the Milton Flyers. That game should be interesting if for no other reason that to compare the strategies of the two coaches. Gems coach Paul Robinson is a student of Milton's newly signed head man, Gerry Ingles, a well known name in Intermediate hockey circles here in Georgetown.

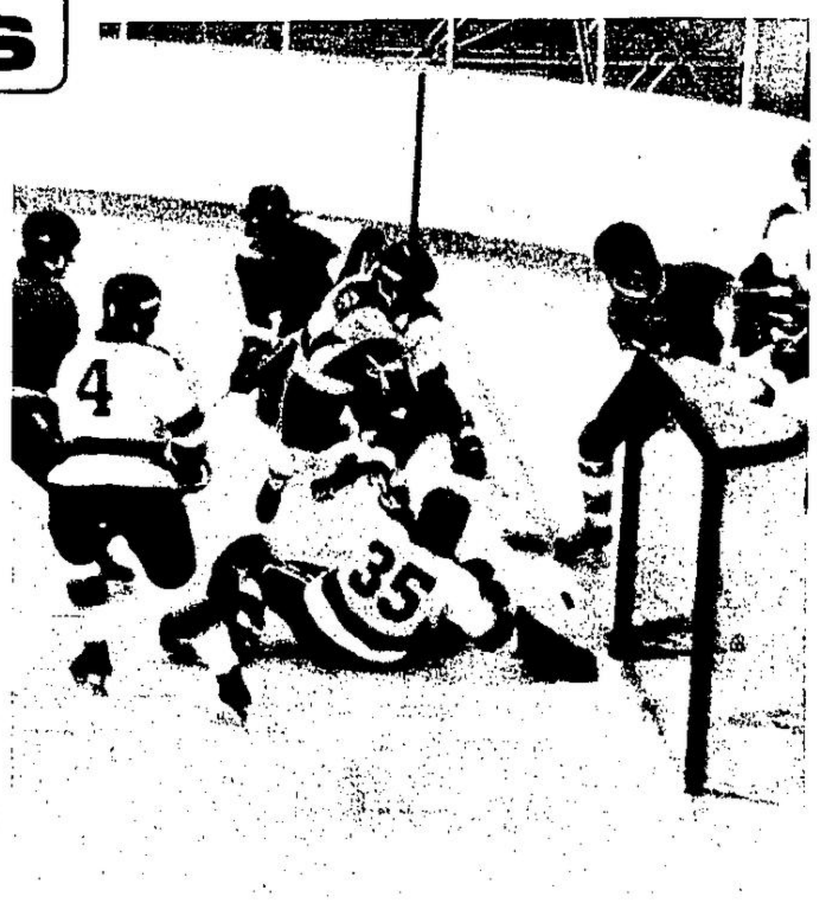
Ingles signed this past week to take over the coaching duties of the sagging Milton crew. He has coached a number of winning teams from Georgetown, including teams on which Robinson has developed his hockey thinking. So it's going to be a match of student versus teacher.

OHA Junior 'B' Statistics
(Up to and including Sunday night action)

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Burlington	23	17	5	1	130	90	35
Oakville	22	11	7	4	112	94	26
Georgetown	20	11	6	3	105	90	25
Streetsville	20	10	7	3	108	91	23
Dixie	19	7	9	3	99	106	17
Brampton	21	4	14	3	87	111	11
Milton	23	4	16	3	94	153	11

SCORING LEADERS

	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mark Lipnicky, Burlington	22	24	22	46	18
Jim Elliott, Burlington	22	22	20	42	2
Ross Brownridge, Brampton	20	20	16	36	41
Paul Cook, Brampton	20	16	20	36	8
Doug Barnes, Georgetown	19	18	17	35	64
Larry Peterson, Georgetown	19	20	14	34	20
George Chandler, Streetsville	19	13	21	34	47
Steve Leggett, Dixie	19	16	15	31	36
Mike Dwyer, Streetsville	11	14	17	31	41
John Glass, Burlington	19	19	11	30	45



Goalmouth action in Saturday's Gemini-Derby battle

Raiders just can't break that old Dundas jinx

The killer instinct. That little something "extra" that separates the men from the boys, the winners from the losers. The Georgetown Raiders showed a remarkable lack of that this past week in OHA Intermediate "A" hockey action.

Last Tuesday night they showed that they are definitely deserving of the number one status they currently hold in the league's standings as they totally out-classed third ranked Fort Erie Mavericks, 11-1.

That game was played in the opposition's own rink. The Fort Erie squad held a slight manpower advantage and yet the Raiders totally dominated the scoring.

Now, considering that performance, you would expect that, playing before their home town fans an even lower ranked crew and facing a golden opportunity to move up even higher on the league's ladder, the Raiders would come ready and raring to give all they've got.

But Friday night the Raiders before their very vocal but equally very disappointed hometown fans, let the Dundas Merchants make themselves look like the kings of the Georgetown castle, dropping Georgetown 6-5.

Don't let that score fool you. If you could only stay for the first two periods you should have asked for two-thirds of your ticket back. While totally dominating play in a rather nondescript 40 minutes of action the Raiders failed to administer the killing touch—the scoring play. They won the battles but lost the war.

One good thing about it, the Raiders looked good during those first two periods. Obviously, however, looking good doesn't win games. The hometown crew were losing 6-0 at the end of two periods.

The Raiders' stickhandling was up to par and their forechecking was much more impressive than the little swipes the Dundas forwards were taking at Raiders. So what was the problem?

The Raiders failed to really apply pressure on the Dundas netminder, Gerry Aussem. Rare were the times that Raider forwards intimidated either Aussem or the defencemen right in the slot. When it happened the Dundas defenders showed an inclination to back down.

Their tactics and style changed in the third period. Georgetown looked a little less impressive but they nevertheless notched four quick goals within the first six minutes of play in the third. However a couple of penalties and a slowing down on the Raiders clearing of their own end put the Raiders out of contention when they really should have been coming on even stronger.

Give their fans full credit. With every extra Georgetown goal the screams of "Go Raiders Go!" became louder.

A goal late in the third with just seconds remaining placed the Raiders as close to a tie as they were going to come.

Junior Tibbetts, the Raider's ex-officio coach as a result of a suspension handed out in the Raiders' November 30 game in Dundas, put the loss to Dundas down to "just one of those things." The "Dundas Jinx" has seen the Raiders lose consistently to a team that has little, if anything better than the Raiders.

The man who has been handling the coaching duties for the Raiders has been Reg Benoit normally the man who handles the trainer's duties. The coach-in-a-crunch has been doing a great job behind the bench.

The Howie Meeker Memorial Award for the best played goal of the game Friday night has to go to Neil Cotton, with a lot of credit also to Art Webster and Tom Pollonick, who set Cotton up.

Webster set up Cotton with a perfectly timed pass that arrived on the Dundas blue line just as Cotton was making his break between the two Merchants' defencemen. He split the defence neatly, skated to the right side of the net and as Aussem was finally making his move, Cotton flipped the puck into the right high corner.

Paul Berger led the Raiders' scoring with two shots past a passable Aussem. Berger also assisted on the Raiders' first goal which came on a faceoff shot by Webster. Craig Simpson and Cotton added the other two goals.

In point totals Berger led with his three followed by Webster, Pat Maloney and Craig Simpson with two; Bill Currie, Rick Schurr and Pollonick with one each.

The shots on goal really show the lack of that final Raiders' thrust. They peppered Aussem with 33 while Dundas tossed 21 at Keith Pallett who has had better days between the Raiders' pipes.

Speaking of better days, 'tis a shame that Georgetown fans couldn't have exchanged games with that battle last Tuesday fans couldn't have exchanged games with that battle last Tuesday in Fort Erie. Yet while winning that game handily 11-1 the Raiders lost one point in their standings total.

An earlier game in the season, you might recall, between the Raiders and the Mavericks ended in a 3-2 victory for Georgetown. But Fort Erie filed a protest with the OHA concerning a misinterpretation of the rules by the game's referee.

The ref had assessed a ten-minute penalty to one of the Fort Erie players and the Mavericks had insisted that it should have been only five minutes. That penalty proved to be costly as Georgetown notched their one-goal victory while that man was sitting his infraction out.

The OHA executive recently upheld the Fort Erie protest and called for the replaying of the game from the point at which the penalty should have ended. That amounted to about three minutes which were played just prior to last Tuesday's game.

This time the Raiders were unable to repeat their lone goal performance and the game finished with a 2-2 draw, thus knocking off a single point from the Raiders' standings.

Penalties were the key for the Raiders against the Mavericks as seven of Georgetown's goals were powerplay efforts. The second period was a total farce as Georgetown jumped from a 2-0 lead at the end of the first to a 9-1 lead at the end of the second.

Pete Tonini in the Fort Erie nets could only hack a certain amount from his team-mates so he gladly let second string netminder Myles Bosnak take over for the third period. Keith Pallett in the Raiders' nets played a steady game standing up to a total of 35 shots.

But penalties did, indeed, make the difference. Had it not been for the shenanigans of Ted Hill the Raiders would had only three penalties but Hill was tagged by the officials for seven penalties, including a game misconduct as a result of a fight in the third period with Bremner.

Meanwhile the Mavericks were wearing out the hinges on their penalty gate serving a total of 19 different infractions including two game misconducts to Maracle (who didn't even rate being listed on the Fort Erie lineup) and to H. Bremner.

With 11 goals to their credit the Raiders' scoring statistics took a beneficial bounce for the better. Tom Gilbert led the Georgetown onslaught with two goals and two assists. His point total of four was only equalled by Art Webster who assisted in setting up four goals.

Finding the target for the Raiders were Craig Simpson and Ted Hill with two goals each, and Tom Pollonic, Neil Cotton, Bill Wheeler, John Boyce, and Ray Peacock with one each.

The next game for the Raiders will see those very same Dundas "jinxes" return to the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena. That game's two weeks away on Friday, December 19.

Their next away game is even farther off. They're scheduled to play in Fort Erie again on December 23.

Tate signs with Raiders

A familiar and very popular face will be returning to the ranks of the Georgetown Raiders for their next game.

Doug Tate will be returning to the Raiders following a year in OHA Senior "A" ranks with the Whitby Seniors 'A's.

Doug was signed by the Raiders late last week. His hustling style on the left wing was a bright spot for the Raiders during the 1973-74 season in Georgetown.

Pendergast, Fournier look good for GDHS

This past Saturday Georgetown District High School held a warm-up wrestling tournament. Most of the schools attending were from Halton and Peel with four outside schools participating, including teams from Fergus, Grey Highlands from Flesherton, Guelph Centennial from Guelph, and John F. Ross, also of Guelph.

Rebel wrestling coach Bob McKay pointed out that the highlight of the day was the bout in which Peter Fournier of Georgetown, wrestled Bruce Greenside. Fournier looked really impressive for his first serious bout of the year winning 4-1.

Another highlight was the John Pendergast and Gavin Strachan match. Coach McKay pointed out that this was the sharpest he has ever seen Pendergast wrestle.

The GDHS team has been practising for approximately three weeks to a month under the leadership of Bob McKay, who is employing the use of four of the team's most experienced wrestlers, Rick Rodgers, Wid Bradley, Gavin Strachan and John Pendergast, as his assistants.

The boys are doing a super job and have gained full respect of the whole team.

Coach McKay also expressed high hopes for rookies Craig Slater, Ken Lonbro, Steve Cropper, Joe Ibuki and Frank Lenski of whom displayed excellent talent in their opening tournament.

Bill Lieder, who is wrestling for the first year, won all his bouts but one in the 194 lb. weight class. The bout he lost was to Dave Cox who was runner-up in the O.F.S.S.A. finals last year.

Coach McKay especially thanks assistant coaches Ray "Razor" Smith, and Mike McMahon without whom the team would not be as well developed as they are. The coach would also express gratitude to all the scorers, timers, runners and special thanks to the "Mat Maids".

The Rebels travel to Smith Falls this weekend to participate in a quad-meet. They will run into stiff competition from the Smith Falls teams, as it is being coached by former Georgetown coach Lew Martin. The Senior Rebels basketball team will be joining the wrestling team as they will play a few games in Smith Falls, in preparation their upcoming season.

Norval moving from Total Sports

First place was squarely on the line Sunday morning as the Georgetown Industrial Hockey League's Norval squad faced off against the Total Sports crew.

Both teams headed into the game tied for first with eight points each. Thompson Construction was also right up there but, playing the last placed Guelph-Sinclair Sunoco, it appeared that they would have the easier time of the GIHL battle for first place.

Behind the two-goal effort of Benny Heppes, Norval came out the eventual winner thanks to a 2-1 tally. Both of Heppes' goals were counted in the second period following a scoreless opening seesaw affair. Hugh Williams set up his first tally and Jim Hillhouse aided on the second.

Dave Holmes sparked the Total Sports attack early in the third period when he took a pass from Kevin Hickey to hit home but the spark couldn't build into anything more than that.

Thompson Construction took advantage of their Sunday outing digging the Sunoco squad a little deeper in the league basement with a 3-1 victory over Guelph-Clair.

All the scoring in the game was packed into the first 20 minutes of play. Ed Pearce put the Thompson squad on the scoreboard at the 3:58 mark on a play from Doug Hilts and Rick Thompson. Bob Inglis made it 2-0 six minutes later on a beautiful, one-man play on net.

The long Sunoco tally came at the 17:14 mark when John McKeen flipped a pass onto the stick of Dave Iron who, in turn, put it between the pipes.

Any hopes of a Sunoco resurgence ended less than a minute later when Bob Marchman added the Thompson marker on a play set up by John Swan and Bruce Lewis. And that was all the scoring the fans on hand for the game were going to see.

Sandhill in the other GIHL match Sunday, behind the good, shutout goaltending of Paul Cation blanked the Royal Pizza Kings 2-0.

A tight game was evident in the first period when both teams failed to register any sort of scoring play but then things opened up mid-way through the second as Rod Halls from Rick Siekierzski put Sandhill on the board.

Two minutes later Siekierzski finalized the scoring on a play set up by Marty Jay from Keith Halls.

This Sunday the industrial hockey league will be back in full action. The big game of the day will take place at 9:45 when Total Sports attempt to reap revenge and get back into the battle for first. They meet first place Thompson Construction.

At 8:15 Norval and the Pizza Kings take to the ice and at 11:15 Sandhill and Guelph-Clair Sunoco face off.

Georgetown Industrial Hockey League
Team Standings

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Norval	7	5	2	0	26	14	10
Thompson Const.	7	5	2	0	27	17	10
Sandhill	7	4	3	0	18	19	8
Total Sports	7	4	3	0	27	27	8
Royal Pizza Kings	7	2	4	1	26	25	5
Guelph-Clair Sunoco	7	0	6	1	8	26	1

Leading Scorers

		G	A	TP	PM
Brian Beaumont	Nor	7	6	13	4
Bob Marchand	TC	6	5	11	0
Ian Syme	TS	5	6	11	4

GDHS Junior Rebels second in Acton hoop tourney

The G.D.H.S. Junior Boys Basketball team hosted Applewood Secondary School last Friday night and provided a sparkling performance as they downed Applewood 60-53.

Paul Krowchuck turned in a spectacular game scoring 25 of the Rebels' points. Chris Karolidis was leaping high as he grabbed down 10 rebounds while Danny Fisher was the set-up man scoring six assists.

The Rebels then travelled to Acton Saturday to participate in a tournament in which they walked off with second place honours. In their opening games they had no problems, disposing of Elmira 68-29. Jamie Lawson was the big gun in this game as he hooped 14 baskets for 28 points.

Chris Karolidis was bouncing under the basket as he collected a whopping 17 rebounds while Danny Fisher set up nine baskets.

In their second game the Junior Rebels played the Mustangs from Milton and easily handled them 73-46. Paul Krowchuck tossed in a super effort for the Rebels scoring 26 points, gabbing 12 rebounds and stealing the ball six times. Other solid games were played by Danny Fisher scoring nine assists and Grady Lenski who ripped down 11 rebounds.

In the championship game the boys came up against a very tough team from Walkerton and were edged out 59-56. This by far was the boys best game as all players played a terrific game..

Paul Krowchuck was overwhelming as he scored 24 points and successfully grabbed down 14 reounds. Other standout performances were turned in by Danny Fisher, who was the thief of the team, stealing the ball seven times. Chris Karolidis wih 15 rebounds and Gradie Lenski with eight assists.

Coach Morey Leeking was quite impressed by the whole team's performance and figures the boys will fare well in the up-coming season.

The following are the latest Tri-County Minor Hockey Association standings in five divisions. All are up to and including December 5 games.

JUVENILE DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	P's	PIM
Georgetown	14	12	1	1	105	34	25	453
Brampton	13	11	1	1	107	27	23	280
Streetsville	11	8	1	2	53	27	18	327
Milton	11	6	5	-	42	35	12	414
Oakville 1	11	5	5	1	31	37	11	235
Burlington	13	5	7	1	53	51	11	198
Guelph	14	4	10	-	45	95	8	262
Dundas	14	3	10	1	39	80	7	432
Oakville 2	6	1	2	3	16	20	5	95
Chinguacousy	15	1	14	-	34	120	2	332

MAJOR MIDGET DIVISION

Georgetown	15	14	-	1	90	29	29	412
Streetsville	12	10	1	1	46	23	21	196
Oakville	11	8	2	1	63	29	17	176
Milton	16	6	7	3	59	70	15	462
Burlington	15	6	8	1	43	53	13	410
Brampton	18	6	11	1	64	56	11	474
Dundas	14	4	6	4	49	54	12	275
Guelph	15	5	9	1	49	55	11	525
Ancaster	16	5	10	1	42	56	11	474
Chinguacousy	12	-	10	2	29	67	2	324

MAJOR BANTAM DIVISION

Brampton	18	12	5	1	76	50	25	193
Burlington	14	11	2	1	63	24	23	187
Milton	15	9	3	3	55	35	21	212
Chinguacousy	15	9	4	2	72	44	20	189
Streetsville	14	9	4	1	49	27	19	136
Georgetown	16	8	5	3	49	39	19	169
Guelph	15	3	11	1	53	88	7	267
Ancaster	15	2	10	3	38	55	7	90
Oakville	12	2	9	1	22	57	5	134
Dundas	16	2	14	-	21	79	4	334

MAJOR PEE WEES DIVISION

Brampton	15	10	3	2	44	20	22	159
Milton	16	9	4	3	51	31	21	102
Georgetown	15	9	4	2	64	40	20	189
Oakville	13	8	4	1	47	25	17	90
Streetsville	14	6	5	3	47	33	15	146
Burlington	13	6	5	2	39	33	14	159
Chinguacousy	15	5	7	3	38	42	13	86
Ancaster	13	4	7	2	27	39	10	137
Guelph	14	2	8	4	29	38	8	102
Dundas	12	-	12	-	5	90	-	102

MAJOR ATOMS DIVISION

Georgetown	15	12	1	2	70	24	26	106
Burlington	14	11	2	1	53	15	23	60
Ancaster	15	10	3	2	54	23	22	95
Streetsville	14	9	5	-	50	26	18	121
Milton	16	8	7	1	41	32	17	66
Oakville	13	6	6	1	20	36	13	58
Brampton	16	4	10	2	29	53	10	60
Guelph	14	2	9	3	22	53	7	54

MIDGET AND JUVENILE STANDINGS

Midget League
As of Dec. 4, 75

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Cable TV	6	4	1	1	15	10	9
Scotiabank	6	4	2	0	34	10	8
Masson Motors	6	4	2	0	27	19	8
Jr. Raiders	6	3	2	1	18	25	7
Burns. Transp.	6	3	3	0	21	29	6
Halton Auto Wrkr.	6	2	3	1	21	18	5
B-FT Montego	6	2	3	1	18	18	5
Lane's Transport	6	0	6	0	11	35	0

Midget Scoring Leaders

	Goals	Assists	PTS
1. M. Hache (Masson	13	2	15
2. P Krowchuck (Burns)	10	2	12
3. D. Martin (Masson)	5	5	10
4. J. Hansen (Scotiabank)	8	2	10
5. S. McLaughlin (Scotiabk.)	5	5	10
6. P Wild (Masson)	5	4	9
7. B. Bryant (Raiders)	5	3	8
8. P. Morrow (B-FT)	4	4	8
9. D. Dickson (Scotiabk.)	3	5	8
10. S. Turner (Burns)	1	7	8

Juvenile League
as of Dec. 4,75

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GF	GA	PTS
M-FT Neilson'-a	7	7	0	0	34	5	14	
Knights of Col.	7	5	2	0	24	18	10	
Exchange House	7	2	5	0	17	23	4	
Jim's Steering	7	0	7	0	9	39	0	

Juvenile Scoring Leaders

1	G	A	PTS
1. W. Osborne (M-FT)	6	5	11
2. T. Diamond (M-FT)	5	6	11
3. J. Lockwood (M-FT)	7	2	9
4. M. Rasmussen (M-FT	5	2	7
5. S Foster (Exch. Hs.)	4	3	7
6. R. Hatcher (M-FT)	3	4	7
7. A. Chiasson (Kof C)	4	2	6
8. D. Timpson (K of C)	4	2	6
9. W. Storring (Kof C)	3	3	6
10. G. Bodnar (M-FT)	1	5	6