

Raiders win two from Port break slump with a bang

The Georgetown Chrysler Raiders rebounded from two previous disappointing outings to thump Port Colborne Sailors twice by identical 8-2 scores in last week's action in OHA Major Intermediate "A" best-of-seven semifinal play. The Raiders, however, couldn't find the same magical formula in Port Colborne Sunday night and they were pummeled, 6-0 by an obviously aroused Sailor crew.

The Georgetowners journeyed to Port Colborne last Tuesday (March 15) determined to make up for their poor showing in the series opener, that saw them drop an uninspired, 4-2 decision to the Sailors.

Inspiration aside, the Raiders served fair warning that they were a revitalized crew, as they jumped out to a 3-0 first period lead. The Sailors rallied somewhat to stay on a fairly even footing with the Raiders through the first 10 minutes of play in the second period, then the Raiders erupted for three goals within little more than three minutes, to take a 6-0 lead to the dressing room after 40 minutes of play.

The Sailors were finally able to dent the Raider defences at the 10:40 mark of the final frame but by that time, the eventual outcome was no longer in doubt as the Raiders had potted an early third period marker to open up a 7-0 lead.

The Sailors narrowed the Raider lead to 7-2 at the 12:01 mark, but then sparkplug Tommy Gilbert, with his third goal of the night at the 13:31 mark, took whatever wind was left out of the Sailors sails.

From this point the game deteriorated into a Pier Two brawl as Port gave up any hope of winning and resorted to cheap shots. The Sailors, Wayne Gallinger and Mike Lalunovich were ejected, joining teammate Steve Siba (who had earlier gotten The Thumb) on the sidelines and

they were joined by Raider, Bob Clark.

Regardless of the somewhat chippy ending, the Raiders had themselves a very satisfying 8-2 win and had tied the series at one game apiece.

Aside from his three-goal performance, Tommy Gilbert also collected an assist. Pat Maloney had a fine game, as he scored twice and collected a pair of assists. Doug Tate fired home two counters, while Art Webster scored the other Raider goal. Bob Goss and Scott Hudson replied for Port Colborne.

The teams locked horns again last Friday night, at Georgetown's Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena, but it was obvious from the outset that the same script writer was in attendance.

The Raiders jumped out to an early lead, then just kept applying pressure, never giving Port a chance to recover catch their breath and mount a rally. The Sailors withered under fire in direct relation to the Raider pressure.

Two blistering drives, one off the stick of Art Webster and the other off the stick of Tommy Gilbert, gave the Raiders a much-deserved, 2-0 first period lead. The Raiders led 3-0 before Port got on the scoresheet but possibly in retaliation for this affront, the Raiders exploded for three more goals to hold a 6-1 lead after 40 minutes of play.

Just to show that they still meant business, two more Raider "Red-Lighters" barely four minutes into the third period, sealed Port Colborne's fate. The Sailors rumbled out the game scoring when they caught the Raiders napping with just four seconds left in the game, but it went for naught and the Raiders collected their second consecutive 8-2 win and jumped out to a 2-1 series lead.

Tommy Gilbert had a pair of Raider markers, as did Art Webster, single counters were

chalked up by Steve Blundy, Bob Fotheringham, Pat Maloney and Tom Daley. Wayne Gallinger and Bruce Waters scored for Port Colborne.

FRIDAY'S LINEUP
Mario MacDonald, Neil Cotton, John Boyce, Tom Daley, Doug Tate, Art Webster, Ray Evans, Steve Blundy, Tommy Gilbert, Pat Maloney, Bob Ellensky, Brad Butterworth, Bob Fotheringham, John Longstreet, Doug Barnes, Bob Clark.

(Clarke, Bill Currie and Gregg Hooper.

The fifth game of the best-of-seven semifinal series is slated for Wednesday (tonight) game time 8:30 p.m. at Georgetown's Memorial Arena. The sixth game is slated for Port Colborne on Friday night, while a seventh game (if necessary) has been scheduled for Georgetown's Memorial Arena, game time 8:30 p.m., this Saturday.

Bill Currie Raider MVP

Georgetown Chrysler Raider defenceman, Bill Currie has been named the team's Most Valuable Player, for the 1976-77 season. The winning of the Raider MVP is a singular honour, as the players themselves do the voting.

The MVP trophy is donated by the Radical Car Club (who have provided the award for the past nine years) and last Friday night, during the first period intermission, Club Treasurer Phil Rau made the presentation. Rau and Currie were joined at centre ice by John Boyce, who won the Raider MVP award last year.

Frieda Handy high triple

TEAM STANDINGS THIRD SERIES
Mountaineers, 18 plus 22 pts.; Striking Six, 15 plus 15 1/2 pts.; Happy Gang, 13 plus 25 pts.; Bowlerettes, 13 plus 23 pts.; The Missifs, 12 plus 14 pts.; Sainly Six, 11 plus 16 1/2 pts.; The "Misses", 10 plus 7 1/2 pts.; The Roozers, 10 plus 8 pts.; Happy Hookers, 9 plus 16 1/2 pts.; Drunken Drivers, 7 plus 7 1/2 pts.; Something Different, 6 plus 7 pts.; The Dumbbells, 6 plus 14 1/2 pts.; The Spares, 5 plus 14 1/2 pts.

HIGH SCORES
Frieda Handy, 725 (246, 237, 242); Jane Cook, 687 (242, 245); and Vera Peaves, 660 (230).

HIGH AVERAGES
Sylvia Graham, 218; June Cook, 207; Elaine Follow, 200; Mary C Jones, 189 and Frieda Handy, 199.

Raiders blanked by Port must win at home

The Georgetown Chrysler Raiders rolled into Port Colborne last Sunday night, sporting a 2-1 lead in their best-of-seven OHA Major Intermediate "A" playoff series, with the Port Colborne Sailors. The Raiders were going into the game fresh from two consecutive 8-2 victories over the Sailors so all was rosy in "Raider Land".

Unfortunately, as Raider defencesteward, Neil Cotton pointed out, the Raiders were there in body, but perhaps not in mind. The Sailors, possibly fired up after their two humiliations, were quick to take advantage of Raider lapses and posted a very decisive, 6-0 win.

It was a second period surge by the Sailors that really spelled the difference in the game as the teams played to a scoreless tie through the first 20 minutes of play. It was a

fairly even contest through the first frame, as Georgetown netminder, Mario MacDonald, was forced to face 11 Port Colborne drives, while Sailors netminder, Bob Stewart was tested on eight occasions.

The momentum in the game changed drastically, however in the opening minutes of the second stanza and by the 9:32 mark, Port had counted three markers and were off and running. The Sailors added one more goal at the 16:39 mark to run the count to 4-0 after 40 minutes of play. Here, statistics again tell the tale. MacDonald, while he was beaten four times, faced 14 Sailor sizzlers, while Stewart was only challenged, four times.

The Raiders regained some of their composure in the final period, but Port was still able to find chinks in the local armor and scored twice more, at

the 9:25 mark and at the 19:23 mark to run their final winning margin to 6-0.

The Raiders were outshot, 34-23, but take away the second period lapse and there was little to choose between the two teams.

The series is now tied at two games apiece, but the Raiders will have a chance to rectify the errors of their ways over the next several days. The fifth game of the series is scheduled for Georgetown's Memorial Arena Wednesday (tonight) at 8:30 p.m. On Friday, again, at 8:30 p.m. start, the teams will tussle in Port Colborne, while a seventh game, if necessary, is scheduled for Georgetown's Memorial Arena, this Saturday, game time 8:30 a.m.

SUNDAY'S LINEUP
Mario MacDonald, John Boyce, Neil Cotton, Tom Daley, Doug Tate, Art Webster, Bill Currie, Steve Blundy, Pat Maloney, Ray Evans, Bob Clark, Doug Barnes, Brad Butterworth, Bob Ellensky, Tom Gilbert, John Longstreet, Bob Fotheringham and Gregg Hooper.



FEATHERS, RIBBONS AND AWARDS are all part of the Toronto Anglers and Hunters Association duck carving competition. Here are some of the previous years' winners, showing marsh and diving ducks. The competition has continued to expand each

year and with each winner there is renewed effort to artistically recreate Canadian ducks and water fowl. They will be on display at the Canadian National Sportsmens Show, Exhibition Place, Toronto.

Raiders and Sailors deadlocked in series

The OHA Intermediate "A" best-of-seven semifinal series, between the Port Colborne Sailors and the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders is tied at two games apiece as a result of last week's action.

The Raiders had lost the first game of the series, 4-2, but picked up two impressive wins, by identical 8-2 scores on Tuesday (March 15) and at home last Friday. They could have virtually clinched the series with a win over the Sailors in Port Colborne, Sunday night, unfortunately for the locals, Port posted a convincing 6-0 win to deadlock the series.

The fifth game of the semifinals will be played in Georgetown Wednesday night, 8:30 p.m. at the Memorial Arena; the sixth game will be played in Port Colborne Friday, an 8:30 p.m. start, while the seventh game (if necessary) will be played at Georgetown's Memorial Arena, game time, 8:30 p.m. this coming Saturday.

Your loss is your gain.

ONTARIO OUTDOORS Sportmen's Show a must to see

By Bob Ollivier
GUNNER the fisher catching dog, the star of the show? Maybe! Anyway he sure is a highlight, of the Canadian National Sportsmen Show at Exhibition Place, Toronto. The show runs until Sunday March 27, 1977 and should not be missed.

You have heard the saying "sit on it", well that may be just what won the Garcia Angler of the Year Award for 16 year old Jim Bridgeman. While trolling Georgian Bay alone, he hooked and landed a 52 inch-45 pound Muskie, placed the small net over its head, grabbed its tail with his free hand and promptly sat on it.

Jim was afraid the fish would "flip" out of the boat to freedom. The winning fish was taken on a 7 inch Rapala in silver, deep diver model, and the award was presented at the annual meeting of the OUTDOOR WHITERS OF CANADA. There were plenty of congratulations to this enthusiastic young fisherman from the top names in the field.

I would suggest as usual that you buy a program as soon as you get to the show, find yourself a place to sit down and study the program and decide what you want to see and check the time schedule of activities. I have been going to that show for some 25 years and still find I need a program. There are different exhibitors and they are very often in different parts of the show each year. You can get by without one, but when you get home you may find out what you missed.

Be sure to visit the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters booth and if you are not a member or are with someone that is not then stop and join up with the organization that is working and fighting for YOU!

Colleen Loucks, Miss Outdoors, is quite pleasant to speak to and you will see her walking around the show meeting people and making them welcome to the Native Peoples Exhibit.

Go over to meet Vern McKinnon, the managing director of the Almaguin-Nipissing Travel Association. He is very knowledgeable of the ways of the area, and is always willing to help you plan a vacation in the area of Lake Nipissing or the surrounding territory.

While there speak to Joe Garbowski of Burks Falls KOA. The show is well manned by such people who are there to help you plan a vacation that will last in your memory for years to come, or until you go there next year.

If you ever wanted to learn how to call moose or even ducks, then take in the calling contests held each afternoon. The show is so full of interesting and exciting things to do and see there is no way I can cover it all in this column, and would therefore suggest that you make plans to take it in once or maybe even twice. I may see you there as I have already met some of my readers at the show. If you see me there, then make yourself known.

And don't forget to see the NORMARK-RAPALA display, and see the kind of lure that catches prize winning muskies in ONTARIO OUTDOORS.

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