

It's off to Owen Sound for North Halton Schoolboy rink

By MARG AND STEW TEETZEL

North Halton curlers should be extremely proud of their colleagues' accomplishments this past week. There were many teams competing outside the club and their efforts are commendable.

The School Boys rink of skip Dave Porter, Paul McCracken, Hal Porter and Mike Makovnyk Jr. journeyed to Barrie Sunday where they met with the winners from three other Divisions in a double knockout competition to determine who will proceed to the Provincial competition. The boys won their first two games which was enough to send them on their way to Owen Sound Feb. 4, 5, 6 and the finals. Congratulations, we heard you did a tremendous job especially in the second game against Paris, Dave.

The boys asked me to thank all their friends and relatives who journeyed to Barrie to cheer them on. About 20 people made the trip from Georgetown, and this really thrilled the boys knowing as many people were present to share in their victory.

Around the club this week one couldn't miss hearing talk of the Halton-Peel Bongspiel. This is a men's spiel involving, I believe 86 teams this year, from the Halton-Peel area. North Halton entered nine rinks and of these four made it to the events of the final day and two were winners in the main event. That's good curling!

Graham Farnell and his rink of Ken Faulkner, John Edgar and Bill Smith were runners up for the consolation in the fourth event. Congratulations to all participants. Great curling!

Two of our ladies teams came close to winning trophies this past week. Ann Hartford's rink of Sherrill Collins, Dynese Griffiths and Lin Jewell won the second draw at the Grand Valley Ladies' Open and missed out on the Wilson Trophy by one point. Joan Mustard's rink of Lynn Gerrard, Heather Knight and Ellen Burns entered the Guelph Golf and Country Club's Filly Spiel and won the second event missing out on the Smith Trophy by three-quarters of a point.

Sharon Wood says to remember the Kitchener Granite Ladies' Open for next year girls skip Marilyn Johnston, Dundas Granite, Marg O'Flaherty, Sharon and Penny Mitten (Patty McLaren spare) won 2 games and lost one to place fourth, but get this, they came home with new curling boots for prizes.

Bobbie Phillips team of Bev, Eastwood, Cathy Perigo and Norma Carlisle entered the Brampton Hose Bowl Spiel where they won one and lost two, but they had a "super" time.

Bette Broomhead's rink of Doreen Geofreda, Jean Brander and June Russell were off to Burlington for a two day spiel last week. They won two and lost two. Sounds like fun!

Three local curlers, Les Ashcroft, Bill Treahy and Doc Russell, were off to Ottawa where they picked up a fourth and entered the Traveller's Assoc. Spiel. They won two and lost two and enjoyed curling at the Curlatrome in Ottawa.

Last, but certainly not least, our mixed rink of Warren and Doris Brooke, Shirley and Steve McDermot played in the District nine playdowns on the weekend at Chinguacousy. They had a real tough time but through hard work and dedication they put themselves back in the running. Their first game Friday evening against Barret of Dixie was a victory but Sat. they ran into trouble and lost against Fedosa to put them on the B side. Now they had to win and that they did against Milton and Oakville and then again Sunday they met the Fedosa rink and beat

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Paul McCracken, vice for the School Boys' curling team of North Halton, spent last Wednesday evening warming up for a zone tournament being held last Saturday in Barrie. The North Halton team won in the tournament, and will be going on to compete in a provincial tournament.

Ontario Outdoors

By R.C. BOBB OLLIVIER
THE 1978 summary of the Ontario Fishing Regulations is now available and may be obtained from your favorite sporting goods store that usually carry them. Or you may write to the Ministry of Natural Resources, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario. In general, the trout season opens on April 29-78 and the walleye season opens on May 13. Ice conditions are generally good over most of the province. For those who don't like the idea of fishing through the ice, why not spend your time in preparation for the spring season?

Such activities as making your own lures or tackle can be a very rewarding pastime and the excitement of catching a fish on a lure you have made yourself is second to none. And to catch fish regularly on that lure is ecstasy itself. The Ontario out of Doors magazine has a very good series on this pastime done by Bob Jones under the title TACKLE TINKERING. And then there are the programs put on by various clubs and organizations.

The IZAAK WALTON FLY FISHERMAN'S CLUB holds a meeting every month and very often includes a film or slide show. Fly tying of course is always a big part of the club's activities and there is always room for the beginner. The St. Catharines and District Chamber of Commerce and the St. Catharines and Lincoln County Game and Fish Association have announced the dates for the Third Annual Salmon Derby which is always a big success and very well attended by Salmon Fisherman from all over Ontario and even the USA.

This year's dates are April 22 to May 7 and I will pass on all details when they become available. While on the subject of Salmon, the Ministry has confirmed that they will continue to stock Salmon until Rainbow and Lake Trout are in sufficient numbers to sustain a "worthwhile" fishery. Frank Miller, the Minister of Natural Resources said that "the aim of the stocking is to increase Rainbow Trout and Re-establish the Lake Trout in Lake Ontario."

GUN CONTROL IN CANADA, an ad placed by the Government of Canada could be detrimental to responsible Gun owners. The symbol of two prohibited guns in the cross hairs of a "Spy Scope" leaves a bad impression before you even read the message. It is almost inevitable that we will one day become a Police State, and that day is not far off. Everything is pointing to that end but I for one will do everything that I can to keep that from becoming a reality. Freedom is a delicate and ethereal thing, and the person that poses it should honour and respect it for the values it contains.

I intend to spend many more years enjoying ONTARIO OUTDOORS

Lynda Smith leads Celtics

Lynda Smith's fine two-way play and 12 points put the Celtics back in first place by beating the Knicks 39-19. Debbie Stone scored 8 and Brenda Atkinson and Sheila Finn added 6 each. The Knicks Irene McCauley hooped 8 and Jackie Sargeant 7.

Wendy Forsythe hooped 18 points to lead the Hawks in a 33-25 victory over the Lakers, with Gloria Sinclair adding 8. The Lakers Gayle Robinson scored 11 with Norma Chadwick and Carriane Vanderweil adding 4 each.

Harvey Chappel's rink of vice Mike Geofreda second Dave Woodburn and lead Gavin Straehan were the trophy winners which mean they won all of their games and some of them were real thrillers. Bill French and his rink of vice Brock Farnsworth, second Al Dean and lead Jim Hicks (with spare Hank Loppers) won the consolation in the main event.

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Raiders cancelled again
The Georgetown Chrysler Raiders' game with the Dundas Merchants, in Dundas, was cancelled last Friday due to the weather. The game would have been a battle for first place in the league.

It was the third game the Raiders have had cancelled this year because of the weather. The game was to be in Port Colborne and the other was to be here against the Fort Erie Mavericks. None of the three games have been rescheduled yet.

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