



There are not many tougher Junior B players in front of the net than the Georgetown Geminis' Marty Power. Here Power keeps a Thornhill defenseman occupied and opens up the front of the net

area for teammates. The Gems lost the game 6-5 although interim coach Norm Lockhurst said they played well. Photo by Gary Morrison

Geminis are nipped 6-5 ...

The Georgetown Geminis dropped two games over the weekend being nipped 6-5 at home on Saturday and then trounced 7-2 in Brampton Sunday. Norm Lockhurst was behind the team's bench for both encounters.

Ron Dixon quits Gems

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to beat if they hope to make the playoffs.
Early in the preseason Dixon said his team was taking too many "stupid" penalties. The coach could not get his young troops to change their unruly ways and they were at their very worst in the game against Orillia.

Squandered Lead
The Gems went into the last period of that game, which was crucial, leading and squandered away the victory by just playing unintelligent hockey. The game was crucial because the team was coming off a good game against the Derbys and they should have defeated Orillia. The loss nullified the confidence gained in the good outing.

It was after that Orillia game that Dixon decided his nerves could no longer handle coaching of the Gems.
It was a similar type outing against Brampton on Sunday night that convinced Lockhurst he did not want to be behind the bench too long.

The next man who takes over the team will have to make cutting down the team's useless penalties his number one priority or most likely have a short tenure. The Gems are not strong enough to be giving away advantages to other teams. The Derbys of a year ago could do it, but the Gems of this year cannot.

Some Good Assets
Dixon has left his successor with a few good assets. The Gems have some very good front line players. The line of Andy Broadbent, Steve Crossman and Marty Power is very effective and has not been outplayed by anyone. In Lance Doucette, Greg Thompson, Billy Taylor, Mike McMenemy and Paul Martin the new coach will have disciplined, young forwards who will improve as the season wears on.

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Both Lockhurst and general manager Bob Tost were pleased with the team's performance on Saturday, but neither had too many good things to say about Sunday's outing.

Thornhill has been one of the better teams in the league so far this season, but the Gems played them very tough and could have easily come out with a victory.

The Gems shooters fired 36 shots at John Morris in the Thornhill net, while Brad Miller had only 29 to handle in the Georgetown net.

Georgetown fell behind 2-0 when Kurt Pearson and Mark Steele tallied for Thornhill. The second one was on a power play.

The 13:58 mark Steve Crossman put the Gems on the board

with Andy Broadbent and Bob McCandless earning the assists.

With only 3:32 remaining the period Broadbent scored from McCandless and Crossman to draw the Gems even.

Thornhill took the lead again when they scored with just over a minute gone in the second period. Jamie Scrymgeour was the marksman for the visitors.

Once again the Gems came strong in the latter part of the period. Mark Falby scored on another Gem powerplay with 3:04 showing the clock. Broadbent got the assist on the play. It was on a powerplay.

It was a Gem powerplay that actually spelled Georgetown's downfall. With approximately five minutes gone in third period Bruce Clatworthy put Thornhill ahead again while

the Gems were on the power. The visitors jumped ahead by three goals when Jamie Kennedy and Paul Howson scored.

Late in the period the Gems got goals from Paul Ancinelli, with Paul Martin and Greg Thompson earning the assists, and McCandless from Tim Turner.

In the loss the Gems followed a familiar script. They took an abundance of uncalled for penalties enabling the Chevyl-Logans to score three power play goals.

Brampton, the team the Gems beat out to get into the playoffs last year, got three goals in the third period to pull away.

The winner's attack was paced by Dan MacDonald who had three goals. Wayne Deighton, Mike Bries, Bruce McClelland, and John Luimes had the others.

Both the Gems goals came in the middle period. Andy Broadbent tallied from Lance Doucette on a power play and Paul Martin got a shorthanded goal with Greg Thompson earning the assist.

The Gems filled up the penalties column as they received 12 minors and four majors. The hosts had 10 minors and three majors.

McCandless received aggression penalty in the third period and it was while he was off that Brampton got its fifth goal.

The Gems also took a major loss when Tony Giannini went down with a knee injury. He will miss up to 10 weeks.

Leading the penalty getters for the Gems was Larry Melton. He received three minors and two majors. For his second major he received an automatic two-game suspension.

...and then swamped 7-2

A weak third period cost the Georgetown Geminis two points last Tuesday as they were downed 6-3 by Orillia.

The Gems went into the third period leading 5-4, but midway through the frame Orillia tallied twice. Up to this game the Gems had been at their strongest in the final period.

Georgetown took eight penalties in the final 20 minutes and therefore spent the majority of the period playing a man short.

Orillia jumped ahead on a powerplay goal with 6:31 gone in the third period when Ralph Dominelli beat Steve Garry, who was again in the Gem net.

The previous Saturday Garry had played a strong game against the Streetsville Derbys. In the first two periods against Orillia he was beat for a couple of soft goals. He

played well in the third period when he faced 20 shots.

Greg Thompson tied the score for the Gems at the 11:15 mark with Paul Martin and John Barnes earning the assists.

Orillia went back in front on another powerplay goal with 3:09 left in the period. This time Al Shropshire was the marksman.

With only 24 seconds showing on the clock Andy Broadbent rifled a shot past Orillia netminder Don Whittaker after he took a pass from Mark Eulmeier.

The Gems got two goals from Tim Turner and one by Marty Power in the second period. Orillia scorers were John Waters and Bruce McCunough, on yet another powerplay.

The three powerplay goals showed that the Gems clearly missed Billy Taylor, who missed three games with a shoulder problem.

The penalties the Gems took in that third period could certainly have been avoided. Only Tony Giannini's hooking penalty could have been considered as an excusable fault. The remaining seven were for roughing, interference, slashing, two cross-checking, a boarding and a unsportsmanlike conduct. No what would be called unavoidable.

The scorers in the third period for Orillia were Wally Edwards and Grant Knox, with the winner at the 9:34 mark.

The Gems came very close to scoring the notcher in final minutes of play. First Lance Doucette took the puck in his own end and carried it all the way up the ice. He let a blistering drive go from just inside the blue line that was wide by inches. Then Turner, with just seconds showing on the clock, carried it up the left side. His shot also just missed.

Sabres lose fifth straight game, will play four this week

The Acton Sabres were bombed 21-1 by the Streetsville Derbys at home on Friday night.

It was the fifth straight loss for the Sabres who began the season with five wins and two ties and appeared headed to finish somewhere high in the standings.

However, the Derbys, who have been awesome this year, completely dominated the Sabres in this contest.

The Sabres stayed relatively close after one period of play trailing only by a 2-0 score. In the second period the Derbys turned on the jets and after 40 minutes of play they led 10-1.

The Sabres worst enemy was its own powerplay as the Derbys picked up three shorthanded goals.

The Derby attack was paced by Mark Sinclair, Doug Tribell and Bob Darling who picked up two goals each. Steve Blair, Kevin Doherty, Steve McDonald and Les Campbell had singles.

The only Acton shooter to hit the scoresheet was Jeff Shields, who returned to the lineup after missing three games through a suspension incurred for spearing.

Shields was back in the lineup, but another Sabre big

gun, Paul Pickard, was sitting on the sidelines because of a suspension. He has one game remaining.

The Derbys outshot the Sabres 56-18 in the contest. All but one of those shots were faced by Rob Bremner in the Sabre net.

Robin Incoe entered the net briefly in the middle period and faced one shot.

Jim Lockhurst faced 10 shots in the Sabre net in the first two periods. Les Williams took over for the second period and faced six shots.

last night, Pickard of course was still not back in the Sabre lineup.

For Acton it was the beginning of a very busy and important week. Tonight they are at home against Brampton, Saturday Thornhill comes to town and on Monday they travel to Oak Ridges.

So far it has been a day and night season for the Sabres. They reached their darkest moment against the Derbys Friday. A couple of wins this week would go a long way to helping the Sabres regain the confidence and poise they showed earlier.

Minor Atoms rout three teams

The Georgetown Minor Atoms are red-hot so far this year winning three games in convincing fashion. So far the team has thumped Flamboro 14-1 and taken back-to-back shutout victories over Chinguacousy and Milton. They won 6-0 over Chinguacousy and 3-0 over Milton.

The goaltending by Jeff Brake and Chris Brake, who

played rep hockey last year, has been spectacular so far.

Coaches Paul Beatty and John Chantler have added five new players to the novice rep team from last year.

New to the squad are defenseman Billy Herman, Tim Chapman and Mark Dunning and forwards Scott Duggan and Steve Fletcher. Back from

last year are the two goalies, defenseman Dennis Doucette, Ricky Fisher and Sean Finn as well as forwards Craig Chantler, who is captain this year, Jamie Spiller, Mike Chiovetti, who was a defenseman last year, Terry Dixon, Mark Moody, Mark Zebedee and Kevin Linberg.

Finn, who is one of the biggest kids on the team, has

been moved back to the defense by Beattie.

The team is being managed by Ian Ward and plays there home games on Tuesday nights at 8:45 p.m. at the old arena.

The minor atoms will be playing at four tournaments this winter. The first one will be at Bradford in November.

Major Bantams earn three points

On Sunday, October 29 at home, the Major Bantams played one good period of hockey to come up with a 3-3 tie against Chinguacousy.

Geordie Adams opened the scoring for Georgetown at the 1:32 mark of the second period with the assist going to Peter Haller.

David Norton added another

goal at the 4:26 mark of the same period and Chinguacousy responded with a goal at the 7:30 mark.

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On Monday, in Oakville, the Bants came from behind to defeat Oakville 6-4, in a very exciting game. Bob Morrow and Kirk Warnock led the team with two goals each and David Norton played an out-

standing game displaying excellent effort and a goal and an assist.

Other goals and assists Haller, unassisted, White, from Norton.

The boys refused to quit and they are to be credited with a fine "come from behind victory."

Minor Pee Wees still undefeated

The Georgetown United Rent-All minor pee wees kept their unbeaten season in tact by beating Dundas 7-1 and shutting out Oakville 3-0 in action last week.

The team now has four wins and a tie to show in their five games as they head to defend their OMHA championship.

Wayne Morrow was the big gun as he had two goals and two assists to lead the way.

Stephen Marcolini and Brent Smith had two assists each.

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The team will be in action at home tomorrow night against Chinguacousy. The game will be at 6:45 p.m. at Memorial Arena.

Major Atoms whip Dundas

The Georgetown Firefighters and McNally Construction major atoms whipped Dundas 7-3 in Tri-county action last week.

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Minor Midgets split

The Georgetown Labelmasters Ltd. Minor Midgets split their two games last week, downing Burlington 5-3 and being shutout 2-0 by Chinguacousy.

Bob Davey led the attack in the win over Burlington, but it was an overall team effort that spelled victory.

Tom Cull also had an excellent day as he scored once and set up three more.

Pat Tunney and Mark Hamilton had the other goals with captain Brad McMeekin setting up two of the markers. Chris Peavoy, Kevin Stewart and Scot Brush each picked up an assist to aid the cause.

It was a different story in the loss to Chinguacousy as the minor midget were outskated and were never really in the game.

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