Sports beat



By Tony Panacci

The OHA Central Junior "B" hockey league has just made an excellent decision in having all-star teams selected from their 12 teams.

The team is being picked for this year, but there will not be a game.

League convenor Larry Robertson said the league hopes this will be the first step and that next year a game can be accommodated.

A game this year would be very difficult because of the Winter Games being held and also the tight schedule most of the teams are on.

However, as Robertson said naming a team will be the first step to having a game possibly as early as next vear.

The way the naming of the team will work is as fullows.

The league will be divided into two groups. Orillia, ·Barrie, Oak Ridges, Thornhill, Brampton and Dixle in the north-east and Burlington, Oakville, Milton, Georgetown, Acton, and Streetsville in the south-west.

Each of the teams will then nominate six of their players for all-star positions. They will also be able to nominate a coach and manager if they choose to do so.

Once the nominations are in each team will get one vote for each position. The team cannot vote for one of the people they have nominated.

When the votes are tallied there will be two teams named from the north-east and two from the south-west. Just one manager and one coach from each of the divisions will be selected.

If there were an alt-star game to be held the coaches and managers selected to run the two teams would have to add players to the rosters.

As it stands now the south-west division will be a much tougher one for a player to be named an all-star in.

The top three teams in the league, Burlington, Streetsville and Oakville, are all in that division. Burlington and Streetsville are running away with things and could probably name a good all-star team between

Six of the league's top seven scorers also belong to teams in the south-west division.

It would definitely be a surprise if any of the Georgetown Geminis were named to the team.

The one player with a chance is centre Andy Broadbent, who was just named the teams' Player of the Month for November.

However, the fact that Broadbent plays for the league's last place team will definitely make him a darkhorse to be named to the team.

Gem general manager Bob Tost said he and coach Harold Schooley will get together soon to decide who they should nominate for the team.

The league should be commended on taking the first action to having an all-star game in the near future.

Peter Sturgeon was at the Georgetown Raiders practise Monday night and when it was over general manager ack Handy inked him to a contract.

Before the practise began Sturgeon told this reporter he wasn't sure yet whether he would sign with the team or not.

He did not take too long to make up his mind.

Sturgeon was a third-round draft choice of the Boston Bruins a few years back and has played hockey in several pro leagues since.

This year he attended the training camp of the Phoenix Road Runners in the Pacific Coast Hockey League. It's the old Western League.

During camp he was told he had been sent to Los Angeles, of the same league, as compensation for a player Phoenix has signed in the off-season.

Sturgeon said Los Angeles was not offering the type of money he wanted, so he and his wife packed their bags and headed home to Brampton,

"I've been on the road playing for quite a few season now," said the 24 year old Sturgeon. "After a while you get tired of it and want to settle down."

Last year Sturgeon was all over Canada and the United States playing hockey. He was with Edmonton in the World Hockey Association for awhile, went to the International League for a few games and then ended up in Phoenix.

"I was having a good time with the Dayton Owls in the International League," he said. "Then they told me I was ineligible to play in that league."

He said he had a good year in Phoenix scoring 18

goals in the 40 games he competed in. Conjecture has begun as to where coach Gerry Ingis will play the six foot, two inch, 198 pound player. He is a forward by background, but it is back at the blueline that the Raiders need help. Raider fans won't get a chance to see the new find until December 29 against Collingwood.

Cornell University has begun its hockey season and a Georgetown native figured heavily in their 4-3 win over

Brian Hayward, a freshman on the team, went all the way in the Cornell net and stopped 24 shots.

Co-captain of the Cornell squad is Lance Nethery, whose scoring record set with the then Burlington Mohawks stood in the Central Junior "B" league until last

Cornell also went up against St. Lawrence Univers-

ity late last week.

In that game Hayward got to renew acquaintances with Georgetowners Dick and Dean Popiel, who both play for St. Lawrence.

Mavericks protest 9-0 loss

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and Inglis said the Mavericks, who were trailing 6-0 at the time the incident began, tried to even things up by injuring Georgetown's only netminder, Mario MacDonald was not in uniform, but he was in attendance for the game and was ready to dress had something happened to McDuffe. Had the Mavericks known this, the only incident may have been avoided, at least in the opinion of Inglis.

Despite Storring not been penalized, O'Hearn was not happy with the way the penalties were called and he pulled his team off the ice.

MAVERICKS RETURNED They stayed in their dressing room for several minutes. but finally did return to it seemed finish the match.

The Mavericks lasted five more minutes and three more Raider goals before the next meident took place. Again Storring was the eatylst.

This time Storring jumped on Chris Milne. Again a major donnybrook evolved and again when it was over the Mavericks retreated to their dressingroom.

However, the incident did not pass without the Raiders

losing another key man. Juri Kudrasovs received a major misconduct and an automatic two-game suspension for being the third man in. The Mavericks Ray Daley received the same penalty.

This time the Mavericks did not return to the ice and referee Don Brockie called the game and awarded (we points to the Raiders.

When O'Hearne did emerge from his dressingroom he was armed with an official protest of the game which he handed to Raider president Bob Hoop-

350 FANS

Meanwhile approximately 350 Raider boosters were forced to find other means of entertainment after only viewing half of a game.

The incident spoiled what was up to the point of the incident an awesome offensive display on the part of the Baiders.

Kudrasovs and Ray Evans both were threatening to break single-game records.

Kudrasovs had the hat trick and also an assist, but Evans was faring even better with two goals and four assists. Had the game continued and Evans kept up the pace he would have finished with 10 points after 60 minutes.

The Raiders scored five goals in the first period with **Kudrasovs and Steve Novis** netting two each and Terry Porter a single.

Unbelievably there was only one minor, to Porter for interference, called in that first period.

Who would have thought that chaos was just around the corner?

In the second period Tom Daley soored before the first altercation took place and Evans with two and Kudrasovs with one between the two melees.

McDuffe was credited with the shulout, his first in Intermediate play. He only faced eight shots up to when he was thrown out. MacDonald replaced him, but according to the game sheet faced no shots.

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