



Bill Wheeler of the Georgetown Sunny Acres Farm Major Midgets scored a beautiful goal on this play, but it was not enough as his team lost 4-2 to Streetsville after leading 2-0. Later in the week Georgetown beat Guelph 5-1.

(herald photo)

Midgets win once and take a loss

The Georgetown Sunny Acres Farm Major Midgets split their two outings last week, losing 4-2 to Streetsville and then coming back to whip Guelph 5-1.

The team may have suffered a letdown against Streetsville as they were coming off an excellent showing at the Silver Stick tournament in Brampton.

Georgetown jumped off to a 2-0 lead as Wheeler and Herb Kewley scored in the

first period. Dave Pilote and Bob Dean set up the Kewley goal and Steve Robbins was the playmaker on Wheeler's marker.

Streetsville came back to score twice in the second period and then tallied two more in the third to take the victory.

Guelph scored the first goal in that second game, but this time it was Georgetown's turn to storm back.

Before the first period was out Scott Osborne had tallied

the tying goal from Paul Stevens and John Thorpe.

The second period was a big one for Georgetown as they scored three unanswered goals.

Thorpe got the first one from Stevens, Tom Simpson got the second on a solo effort and defenseman Dave Pilote tallied the third from Dan Reynolds.

In the third period Osborne got his second of the game from Stevens to complete the evening's scoring.

Major Atoms take two of three games

The Georgetown Firefighters and McNally Construction Major Atoms took two victories and lost once in action last week. The loss came against the Pee Wee 4-Town team by a 10-1 loss. The wins came over Acton by a 2-1 score and Guelph 3-1.

Coach Harold Gilmer set up the exhibition game against the Pee Wees to give his team experience against older and faster boys.

Although the Pee Wees won by a lopsided score, the Atoms gave it their all until the final buzzer.

The Major Atoms only goal came off the stick of Pat Braund with Mike Hurley and Danny Kent setting him up.

Midway through the second period Acton potted the equalizer.

Gord Paterson netted the game winner on a solo effort. It was Paterson's first experience on the forward lines and he made the best of his opportunity.

Acton potted what looked like an equalizer, but it came a second after the final buzzer sounded.

The Guelph team is show-

ing improvement as the year wears on and they gave the Atoms a good battle with the game not being decided until late in the third period.

Hurley opened the scoring in the first period with Hodgins setting him up.

Guelph scored an equalizer later in the period and it remained that way until the third period.

Hurley, who had a big game, scored twice in the third and nearly picked up a fourth. Chris Stevens, Neal White and Mark Howie had the assists on the goals.

Meet the coaches

Bill Smith, who coaches the Georgetown United Rent-All Major Pee Wees, makes no bones about winning being his main objective.

"I think the important things are to win and have fun," he told The Herald. "But in that order... I don't think you can have fun unless you win."

Smith is a relative newcomer to Georgetown. This is his family's third winter here.

He began coaching in the middle of last year when he took over the Optimist Club Minor Bantams.

Smith got into coaching for the classic reason. He did not like what he saw so he got on the inside to try and change it.

"I felt the coaches were not developing the kids properly so I decided to get involved," he said.

FROM BRAMPTON

Before moving to Georgetown Smith lived in Brampton. His only coaching experience there was with the Northern Telecom Industrial team and he also handled a midget house league team for one year.

Smith also had a long hockey career as a player. He was a rep player in the Bolton system and then played Junior "B" in Brampton for half a season.

When his junior days ended he moved into the Intermediate ranks and for approximately 10 years played with Orangeville and then Cheltenham.

It was in his Intermediate years that Smith first became familiar with Georgetown. He played against the Raiders throughout Intermediate.

COACHES SON

Smith is the first of the coaches interviewed so far who has a son on his team. Brent Smith was the team's leading goal scorer for last year.

"I do not have any problems in having my son on the team," he said. "I treat him as one of the other players and show no favoritism."

Smith said that if he continues coaching next year it will be only if he gets the same team.

"The simple reason for that is that my son is on the team," he said. "I will not do what I did last year. Travel to Owen Sound with my own club and then travel to Fort Erie with my son." That happened during the OMHA playdowns.

Smith, like Harold Gilmer last week, said he does not believe in giving his players equal ice time.

"My goal this year is to win the OMHA playdowns,"

Smith said. "That would be the only thing that would really satisfy me."

Smith figures to win the OMHA if he is going to have his better players on the ice extra time.

STACK LINES

The coach also said he thinks that lines should be

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Bill Smith

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