

# Minor league organizer honored

Roy Norton has been chosen as this year's recipient of the Hockey Heritage Award. Norton, who will be 71 this spring, will be honored at the Hockey Heritage Dinner February 13 at Holy Cross Auditorium.

Norton, who has spent the last 30 years or so of his life waking up before dawn on Saturday mornings so he could be at minor house league games, was selected over 19 other nominees by a committee composed of Roy Ward, the chairman, Joe

Hall, Ken McMillan, Garfield McGilvray, Tod King and Dave Kentner.

"We had women, men and organizations nominated," Kentner told The Herald. "Making a final decision was not easy."

Kentner said the fact that Norton is still making a contribution to hockey helped him get the nod. At present Norton is the assistant commissioner of the Minor Atom house league.

Kentner said the committee received nominations from the Georgetown Minor

Hockey Association, The Support Group, the Georgetown Industrial Hockey League, the Referee's Association, the Georgetown Gemini and the Georgetown Raiders.

The first-ever winner of the award was long-time trainer Jack Harrison, who took it last year.

Norton said he was surprised at being named winner of the prestigious award.

"I have received an awful lot of joy from being involved with hockey," said Norton, who was born in Glen

William, beside the ball park. He still lives in the Glen.

In his years in hockey, Norton has been the president and treasurer of the Support Group, treasurer of the International Bantam Tournament, and of course served in various capacities in the house leagues. He has never been a coach or a manager of a team.

"The one thing about being involved with kid's hockey is that the boys always kept me feeling young," Norton said.

Norton said he has stuck to "kids" hockey because it is very clean.

"I can't stand to see dirty hockey," he said.

Norton's portrait, which will be photographed by Jim Fishback and sponsored by the Halton Hills Herald, will hang beside Harrison's at Alcott Arena.

This is the first year the Hockey Heritage Council has used public nominations for the award.

Kentner said the process of selecting a winner by those means will be continued next year.

Kentner also said that 15 of the people nominated would have been very worthy winners had the Council selected them.



Roy Norton

## Bessy a winner on bars

The Halton Hills Jills competed at a Central Region qualifying meet in Burlington on Saturday. It is one of three compulsory meets in the Central Region.

In the Tyro "B" division, Jennifer Pepper finished sixth with her floor routine. Kim Kirk also had a good score on the floor, but she did not place in the field of 33 girls.

In the Argo "C" division Jennifer Stralthee and Jennifer Melville competed for the Jills. There were 31 girls in this class.

Gail Eastwood came up with a sixth on the bars and

in the Argo "B" division in which there were 34 girls. Larissa Hretchka tied for fourth on the floor and Michelle Bailey and Gail East-

wood also competed in this division.

Maureen McGowan had an  
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## Ryall a winner

Georgetown's Alan Ryall, a member of the Georgetown Motor Sport Club won the Metro Rally Conference hosted by the Toronto Auto Sport Club over the weekend.

Two other members of the Georgetown club, Henry Matejko and Marcel Fryer were navigators of two separate

entries.

This Sunday the Georgetown Club will be hosting a club rally. The rally is restricted to novices; people who have never rallied before.

It will begin at Cedarvale Park and registering of vehicles will start at 12 noon.

# Burrows and McKechnie speakers

Two of the newest Toronto Maple Leafs, Dave Burrows and Walter McKechnie, will be the guest speakers at the Hockey Heritage Dinner February 13 at Holy Cross Church auditorium.

Tickets for the dinner, which is co-sponsored by Canadian Tire and S.B. McLoughlin Associates, are at present available at Akers and Clark Real Estate on Main St. Georgetown, Kent-

ner's Dairy Bar, on Mill St., or through any of the executives of the Georgetown Raiders Hockey Club, who of course are behind the event.

In making the announcement Dave Kentner, a third vice-president of the Raiders, said that tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$7.50 for children.

He said that the low prices are possible because of the sponsors.

The guest speakers will be sponsored by Molson's. Craig Prentice and Paul Cates of Molson's were on hand for a press conference announcing the guest speakers at Georgetown Chrysler Monday.

Kentner said the theme of this year's dinner will in part be to honor the 1947-48 Raider team that won the OHA Intermediate "A" championship. It was the first-ever

Ontario championship for a Georgetown team.

### HONOR NORTON

It will of course be to honor Roy Norton, named this year's winner of the Hockey Heritage Award. He will be presented with a color portrait, sponsored by the Halton Hills Herald, at the dinner.

Kentner also said that the evening is also meant to give the Georgetown hockey com-

munity a chance to get together under one roof to socialize.

It will also give the hockey community a chance to see and hear Burrows, now a resident of Halton Hills, and McKechnie.

Both the players joined the Toronto Maple Leafs this year.

Burrows is recognized as one of the best defencemen in the National Hockey League.

A leg injury early in the season has slowed his progress with the Leafs down, but he is again beginning to hit full stride.

It was considered a major coup by the Leafs when they were able to convince the Pittsburgh Penguins, where Burrows had spent seven years, to give up the defenseman for Randy Carlyle and George Ferguson.

### TRAVELLED

Walter McKechnie, one of the most travelled players in the NHL, is enjoying one of his finest seasons this year. The Leafs are McKechnie's sixth NHL team. He has also made stops in Minnesota, Cleveland, Boston, California and Detroit. His best season came in 1975-76 when he scored 26 goals and had 56 assists for the Red Wings.

At last year's dinner, which was a sellout, there were many dignitaries in attendance. No doubt there will be many more this year, but Kentner said the hockey club is not making any announcements until they are completely confirmed.

At present members of the Hockey Heritage Council are busy collecting memorabilia to do mostly with the 1947-48 team. Last year there were several very interesting displays set up around the auditorium.

Kentner said he expects tickets to move very well again this year.

"There are not many dinners of this calibre that are so affordable," Kentner said. "Our sponsors make it possible for the people of Georgetown to have an excellent evening out at a very good price."

## Rebel cagers have a losing week

By BILL HUMPHREYS

Time ran out for the GDHS Midget Reb basketball team as they dropped a squeaker to Perdue high at the Georgetown gym last week. The final outcome was 29-28 in favor of Perdue, who grabbed an early lead and never let go although

the outcome was doubtful right up to the final whistle.

At the end of the first quarter the score was Perdue nine, Reb's eight, while at the half-time break Perdue led 17-13. Perdue continued to build their advantage and by the end of the third quarter held a 28-16 lead. Then the Midget Rebs

caught fire and while their defensive tactics allowed the Perdue five only one point, the offensive team led by Jeff Smith with fine playmaking and Andrew Brakel and Sean Hutt dropping them in, made a real game out of the contest.

Coach Phil Peaden said, "We did not have the offence in the first half, but the second half was the best offence we have had so far this year."

The Senior Reb basketball

team followed the lead of the Midget team as they were on the short end of a 49-39 score against Queen Elizabeth Park in a game that followed the Midget contest.

The Senior Rebs looked flat throughout, possibly due to the fact that it was exam week, while Q.E. Park played tough defensive ball and broke exceptionally well on turnovers.

Queen Elizabeth Park held a 11-6 first quarter lead, 28-13

advantage at the half, and went on from a 39-23 spread at the three quarter mark to the win.

Top scorers for Georgetown were Steve Keslick with 10, Kevin Neill potting seven and Mark Nelstrop hitting for six.

Gord Miller came up with four steals in the contest to add a little good news to an otherwise disappointing afternoon for the GDHS Senior boys basketballers.

## Junior Redmen rout O.T. 91-35

The action Junior boys basketball Redmen erupted offensively in taking a 91-35 win over Oakville-Trafalgar in league action last week.

Redmen Coach Rick McArthur saw no less than four of his players hit double figures in the game which improved the team's season mark to two wins and one loss.

Bob McClure and Rob Lenizky were the leaders as they hit for 21 and 20 points respectively to lead the pot-

ent Redmen attack.

Team leader Martin Osso had 14 points while Steve Springle also had a good day with 13. Chris Lysholm chipped in with four points.

McArthur said that Ted Nadhazi was the best defensive player in Redmen colors.

Yesterday the Redmen visited White Oaks. They will not be in action again until next Wednesday when they travel to White Oaks.

## GDHS Athlete of Week

By BILL HUMPHREYS

Doug Crowe moved to town from London, Ontario, last year and London's loss is Georgetown's gain, at least as far as the Reb swim team is concerned.

Doug was a member of the London Aquatic Team which finished first in the city last year. Doug says that he prefers Georgetown to London because of "the better facilities and coaching" available to a swimmer.

Doug is 16 years of age and attend Grade 11 classes at GDHS. His twin brother Steve is also a member of the Reb swim team and the two boys have been competing together since

they were eight years old.

Although Doug is swimming in the Senior classification, he is technically a Junior from an age point of view, a fact that clearly demonstrates his ability in the pool.

"I think we will place first in Halton and give other schools a run for their money in the Peel-Halton's," said Doug in a recent interview.

Doug Crowe was first in the 100 m breaststroke, first in the 100m freestyle, and first in the 50m freestyle in the swim meet held last week at the Georgetown pool.

We congratulate Doug Crowe on his fine performance.