

Bantam Tourney '79



Grand championship trophy presented by Pete Pomeroy to Detroit captain Craig Kales.

Optimist Bants downed by Levack in first round

By SUE LEHN

The Georgetown "B" bantam hockey team suffered a 10-1 overall defeat at the hands of Levack in tournament action on Thursday. In the first game, Georgetown was shut out 4-0, and managed one goal in the second game to give Levack a 6-1 victory.

Levack scored all four markers in the second period of the first game.

Robbie Bellisle slipped Levack's first goal past Georgetown goaltender Kevin Gillespie at 8:39 of the second, with the assist going to Gilles Faubert and Doug Marcotte.

Chris Kiernan brought the puck up the ice to set up Marcotte on the next marker of the game.

Robbie Demers and Bellisle scored the next two Levack goals, both unassisted.

Levack again overran the Georgetown boys in their second match-up, with Levack scoring five times before Georgetown was able to put the puck into the Levack net.

Demers fired the first shot into the mesh for Levack, with credit for the assist going to Bellisle.

The next goal of the first period came at 5:19. It was scored by Bellisle, with Don Menard and Chuck Bishop helping out.

Levack again started the scoring in the second, their third marker coming from Menard. Bellisle was again active in the goal, getting credit for the assist.

Bellisle scored the fifth Levack goal. Demers and Menard carried the puck up the ice to assist their team mate.

Georgetown's only goal of the match was scored at 1:58

of the second by Robbie Duke. He was assisted by Bobby Boucher.

The last goal of the game

was scored by Levack at 6:24 of the third period by Kiernan. Credit for the assist went to Marcotte.

Possible format changes for next year's event

The lopsided wins by Michigan SA in the overall semi-final and final may prompt changes on how the tournament is run next year.

Harry Levy, the chairman of the event, said he is going to suggest that changes be made next year. One possible way of ending the tourney would be to forget the inter-divisional play and end it with the divisional finals.

"The divisional finals were all very exciting," Levy said. "Nothing would have pleased me more than to have had the tournament end with them."

Levy said that Michigan's two romps in the inter-divisionals were the worst defeats he has witnessed.

Michigan romped over "C" division champs Walden 18-2 and then devastated Richmond Hill, "B" division champs, 18-1.

Last year's winner Paddock Pools, also of Michigan, had a much tougher time to win the championship, but they too had much tougher games in to win the "A" division.

The Toronto Red Wings gave Michigan their toughest go this year. In the "A" division championship game Michigan had to go to overtime to defeat the Red Wings.

In last year's "A" division semi-final Paddock had to go to overtime to defeat Peterborough.

"It has only been in the last two years that the "A" division champion has walked away with it," Levy said. "It looks like it's time to change the format...the teams from the smaller centres cannot compete with the ones from the big ones."

The imagery matchup between Michigan S.A. and Paddock Pools was thought of by more than one fan. The thinking seemed to be that S.A. has much more scoring power than Paddock had, but that the latter had an excellent all-round team.

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