

Exciting game ends in deadlock

In one of the most exciting games of the year the Georgetown senior hockey team tied their visitors from Hagsfor, Sweden 6-6 in a game played at Alcott Arena Friday night.

The game featured all the excitement of the Georgetown Raiders' international games against Yugoslavia and Austria. The missing ingredient was the electricity added by 1,500 fans. There were only approximately 300 at the arena Friday night.

The fans who did make it out saw a very hard-fought battle between the two teams with the outcome in doubt until the final buzzer rang.

TOP PLAYER

They also saw one of the top young players in Sweden at his best. Stefan Persson, almost 17, treated the audience to a great show.

The Swedes, although they had a full bench, went almost exclusively with two lines with Persson occasionally being double shifted.

Once it was over Swedish coach Jengt Tetterman said, "We go to win every game

and we approached this one no differently."

Georgetown coach Neil Colton used his whole lineup for the first two periods and went with two lines in the third period.

Georgetown came out flying in the first period and had several chances to open the scoring. Feugh Larsson made two great glove saves in the early going to keep Georgetown off the scoreboard.

Although Georgetown had the better scoring chances the game play was fairly even the first half of the first period. Sweden got on the board first when Perove Stogren beat Georgetown netminder Bennie Beckett. Stefan Persson and Mikael Eisenbiesser set up the play.

With just less than two minutes remaining in the first period Hagsfor went up 2-0 with Stefan Persson scoring his first of the night from Per Schyan and Goran Eriksson.

EARLY GOAL

It did not take Georgetown much of the second period to get back to within one goal. Within 25 seconds gone Bob Dean put them on the board on a play set up by Dave Pilote.

Hagsfor went up by two goals again just over two minutes later. Stogren got his second from Stefan Persson and Goran Eriksson.

Georgetown tied the score before the second period was over. Mark Hamilton scored the second Georgetown goal from Tom Simpson and the notcher was tallied by Simpson from John Thorpe and Bill Wheeler.

Throughout the first two minutes of play a standout for Georgetown was Hamil-



Captain Herb Kewley was stopped by Kenneth Larsson from in close during the senior hockey game Saturday. In an excellent and clean game the two teams fought to a 6-6 tie. The

game this Friday night at Alcott Arena should decide a winner in the senior division unless the two clubs fight to another draw. (Herald photo)

ton, one of the minor midgets.

The Swedes, like their younger compatriots who'd played earlier had to be tired in this game. They too made the six-hour bus ride from Ottawa in the morning. To add to their fatigue was the fact the coach only went with two lines.

However, they came out in the third period and played their hearts out. The Georgetown players, who had been tenacious throughout the contest, also came out flying for the third period shootout.

Stefan Persson scored the classiest and prettiest goal of the night early in the frame to put the Swedes back in front. The winger showed great puck control in manoeuvring around two Swedes and then he snapped a shot by Beckett. Eriksson set him on his way.

BACK EVEN

Dan Reynolds got Georgetown back even when scored with 6:34 left in the game. Wheeler and captain Herb Kewley set up the goal, that goal opened the floodgate as within the next three minutes four more goals were scored.

Mark Bingham scored at the 8:01 mark to put the home side in front for the first time in the contest. Dean and Kevin Thompson set up the goal.

Stefan Persson completed his hat trick less than a minute later and the visitors were back in front. Eriksson and Eisenbiesser set him up.

Less than a minute after the Persson goal, Hagsfor jumped ahead again in the seesaw battle as Nilsson scored from Lars Berg and Thomas Petterson.

Georgetown earned the draw with 3:30 showing on the clock as Reynolds got his second of the game with

Kewley being the playmaker.

Selecting a Most Valuable Player for the Swedes was not too difficult. Stefan Persson controlled the play in almost every shift he took.

On the Georgetown side Reynolds was chosen the MVP. The little winger had three points and they all came in the third period when the game was up for grabs.

Beckett, although he was beaten six times, played a very strong game in the Georgetown net. He played a gambling type game, leaving his crease area on many occasions, and came up with some very good acrobatic saves.

SMALLER PLAYER

Young Hamilton also played a very strong game. Although in many cases he was much smaller than the opponent facing him it never deterred him from going into the corners to get the puck.

After the game Colton said most of his players were very nervous before the game.

"They had an awful case of the butterflies," the coach said. "But once the game started they settled down and really played well."

The Swedes played more of a North American brand of hockey than many of the fans expected. They took the body in on many occasions and fired the puck quickly. Persson had one very European tactic. He very often skated behind his defencemen when his team was in possession of the puck to receive a pass when he already had a full head of steam.

SOLID GAME

The Swedish netminder, Kenneth Larsson, played a solid game but the Georgetown forwards were able to exploit one glaring

weakness. The netminder often let out big rebounds and the Georgetown players scored several of these goals after being given a second chance.

Even considering neither of the two teams were in the middle of their season it was an exceptional game. It was also a very clean game with

referees John Wright and Wendell Brown allowing the players to play hockey. There were only five minors handed out in the game with three of them going to Georgetown.

The winner of the two-game series will be decided this Friday night. The game will go after the junior game which begins at 7 p.m.

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Keeping busy
The Swedish athletes and their contingent visiting Georgetown at present will be a very busy bunch before they head for home on July 10.
They will be at several landmarks throughout the province, including Niagara Falls and the Hockey Hall of Fame.
The public is welcome to go on any of the tours with the athletes. Interested parties can contact a member of the Sweden '79 committee. They are Ken Adams, Millie Adams, John Clark, Gloria Cull, Fred Harrison, Karen Harrison, Alex Tough, Bryan Turner, June Wilde, Phil Winer or Dave Kentner.
Here is the itinerary for the Swedes including the activities which have already taken place since they arrived last Saturday.
SATURDAY JUNE 30
Two international hockey games
Opening ceremonies - 7:00 p.m.
Gordon Alcott Arena
Booster Club
SUNDAY JULY 1
Two international soccer games
Cedarvale Park - 1:00 p.m.
Bar-b-que to follow games
MONDAY JULY 2
Joint practices - Gordon Alcott Arena - 10:00 a.m.
TUESDAY JULY 3
Tour of Cooper Canada Ltd.
Depart Gordon Alcott Arena - 10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY JULY 4
Uddeholm steel tour
CN Tower
Hockey Hall of Fame
Ontario Place
Blizzard Soccer game
THURSDAY JULY 5
Joint practices, Gordon Alcott Arena - 10:00 a.m.
FRIDAY JULY 6
Open Day
Two International Hockey games, Gordon Alcott Arena - 7:00 p.m.
Booster Club.
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