

Intermediate league

Managers doubt their teams will survive

Unless there is an unlikely resurrection it appears up to four of the five teams in the OHA Intermediate "A" loop will not operate next year with the Georgetown Raiders being the only survivor.

The Herald spoke to key members of the executives of the Dundas Merchants, Port Colborne Sailors, Fort Erie Frontiers and Thorold Athletics last week and none of them are positive about returning to the league next year.

The least likely of the four teams to return is the Thorold Athletics. Bob Urquhart, who has been the team's coach and general manager for the past three years, said there is very little chance the team will operate this coming season.

"It is not a dead issue yet," Urquhart said, "but the support a team needs to operate does not seem to be here."

HE'S LEAVING

Urquhart said even if the team comes out of the ashes he will not be around.

"I'm fed up with the whole thing," he said. "I've been running the thing by myself for the past three years and I've had enough. There is just no one here to do the work needed to run the team so I doubt very much we will be in the league next year."

George O'Hearne, who ran the Fort Erie Frontiers last year said if there is not a southern division his team will definitely fold. There has been some talk that southern division survivors will join

the clubs up north for one balanced schedule league.

"There is no way we would compete in a league where Georgetown would be our closest rival," A'Hearne said. Last year Fort Erie refused to make any trips up north.

A'Hearne said his team is beset with financial difficulties.

"Our major problems are financial of course," he said. "However, if one of the other southern teams drops out I don't think there is any chance we would be in the league."

A'Hearne said the Ontario Hockey Association is not doing its utmost to keep the southern division alive.

GIVES A HOOT

"I don't think the OHA gives a hoot whether this league survives or not," he said. "They have never pushed intermediate hockey...it's unfortunate that after 30 years in business we have to

go out this way." Fort Erie is one of the original members of the Intermediate "A" league.

Herb Lebold, general manager of the Dundas Merchants, said at present it appears there is a 50-50 chance of his team surviving.

"There is no way we would be members of a northern division," Lebold said. The Merchants too are in deep financial trouble.

Lebold said one of his priorities right now is to try and find a major sponsor for the club. The team has never had one sponsor.

"There is a meeting tomorrow (Thursday)," Lebold said. "After that meeting we should know if we will have a team or not."

Ernest Corey, who was set to run the Port Colborne Sailors next year, said the financial well of his club is as dry as a bone.

PAY OFF DEBTS

"We're trying to get finances together to pay off our debts and run a club next

year," he said. "We owe a lot of money." He said he was going to approach local industries for support and should know if there is going to be a team in Port Colborne later this week.

John Sergenese, who ran the Sailors last year, will not be back with the club. He suffered a heart attack recently and has been told by his doctor to take it easy.

Corey said that the team spent a lot of money last year without regard for the future. "The money went much too fast last year."

Unlike the others Corey said if he can come up with the financing he would be willing to play in the northern division.

"If Fort Erie and Thorold fold we would have a lot of extra players to choose from," he said. However, he did add that the chances of his team playing next year are dim.

None of the four men interviewed have been contacted by the OHA since the date for application for membership in 1979-80 expired on July 15.

Mac's Milk keeps perfect record

Mac's Milk kept their perfect record in tact with an overwhelming 17-3 victory over Mama Rosa Pizza in Georgetown Recreational Hockey League action at Gordon Alcott Arena Thursday.

Paul Burger led the way for Mac's as he scored four goals and added an assist. Craig Fleming also had an outstanding game as he scored three goals and also had three assists.

Ed Schroder chipped in with two goals and the same number of assists. John Barnes had a goal and three assists while Bob Inglis and Roger Chapman had a goal and two assists each.

Single markers went to Les

Langlois, Don Staddon, Gary Thompson and Brian Johnson.

Replying for Mama Rosa were Dave Irons, who also had an assist, Bob Landry and Glenn Shoebridge.

The other game was much tighter as Atkinson Real Estate edged Georgetown Fruit Market 5-3.

Five different shooters fired goals for Atkinson, who at one time led 4-1. Dave Holmes, Bob Vertigelen, Doug Edward, Herb Kewley and Charlie Knoepfli were the marksmen.

Scoring for Fruit Market were Tim Turner, Brian Beaumont and Chris Peavoy. Bill Taylor picked up two assists.

Sweet revenge for Fobert

Fobert defeated Delrex Tavern 5-2 in another battle between the two top clubs in the Halton Hills Ball Hockey League. The victory was sweet revenge for Fobert as the week before they were defeated 3-2 by Delrex.

Delrex got on the board first when Greg Johnson tallied late in the first period. Fobert came on to score the game's next five goals. The marksmen were Steve Crossman, Bill Fournier, Rob Hamilton, Paul Allison and Bill Bradley. Ian Syme scored for Delrex midway through the final frame to make it a 5-2 final.

In their other game last

week Fobert defeated the Lakers 7-2. Tim Turner and Doug Timpson led the way with two goals each while Hamilton, Wayne Gibson and Peacock collected singles.

Safeco defeated the Lakers 5-2. Steve Schomberg led the way for Safeco with two goals and two assists. Al Hacey, Ken Pembleton and Steve Joyce had the other markers. Rob Hopkins and Peter Fournier replied for the Lakers.

In the other game last week the McGibbon Colonels were downed 9-3 by Brampton's Huron Park. Scoring for the Colonels were George Venema with two and Paul MacLain.

Georgetown stings Lowville club

The Georgetown Stingers got over the 500 mark with a 5-4 victory over Lowville last week. The victory leaves the Stingers with five wins and four losses.

The Stingers pulled ahead with three runs in the first two innings. They were scored by Sandra Marcinuk, Karen Wilson and Donna Sedore.

The Stingers got two more runs in the top of the fourth to pull ahead 5-0. Karen Penney and Barb Bergmann crossed the plate.

Lowville put a run on the board in the bottom of the fourth. Lowville then scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth to get back to within one run.

Sedore, who pitched the complete game for the Stingers, held Milton scoreless in the seventh to preserve the victory.

Rosemary Gale went two for three for the Stingers while Wilson had two hits in four trips to the plate.



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Ian Clark

Clark wins two medals

Continued from page 25 and Bruce McIntyre was tenth. Lancaster is a student of Georgetown District High School and McIntyre, a graduate of GDHS, is heading

into his second year at Queen's University. All three Georgetown runners were running as members of the Scarborough Optimist Track Club.

Georgetown minor soccer results

Halton Community Credit Union Atom Soccer Division

Thunderbirds 1-

Scorers - Mark Patterson, Stars - Wayne Snow, Neil Beveridge, David Laughlin.

Olympics 1

Scorers - Richard Percival, Stars - David Tate, Andrew McEnzie, Shawn Thorne.

Cobras 2

Scorers - David Larmour 2, Stars - Steve Eastwood, Bobby Sun, Greg Hagan.

Kings 2

Scorers - Brett Serjeantson 2, Stars - Jamie Walraven, Jeff Guistini, Ken Langdon.

Olympics 1

Scorers - David Tate, Stars - Jeff Brady, Dave Gardner, Robby Scarrow.

Challengers 1

Scorers - Peter Aucott, Stars - Grant Kelly, Glen Granger, Colin Underhill.

Renegades 5

Scorers - James Xanthias 2, Ian Ng 2, Mike Flynn, Stars - Bryan Matthews, Mark Lashley, Jason Hepburne.

Wildcats 0

Stars - Brian Franks, Jimmy Manning, Scott Cunningham.

Thunderbirds 1

Scorers - Steve Fletcher, Stars - Ken Braam, Harv Jonkman, Allen McElhone.

Warriors 0

Stars - Todd MacIntyre, Mark Sargeant, Scott Dugan.

Renegades 2

Scorers - James Xanthias 2, Stars - Bill Matthews, Bob Caldwell, Lorne Ho.

Cobras 0

Stars - Steve Eastwood, John Devries, Bobby Sun.

Varian Associates Squirt Division

Stingrays 2

Goals - Brent Presswood 2, Stars - Steven Hawes, Stewart Smith, John Manning.

Blizzard 2

Goals - Doyle Butterfield, Mark Covert, Stars - Mark Minich, John Blackmore, Roger Hancock, Referee - R. Cowbrough.

Kings 1

Goal - Paul Clark, Stars - Richard Sowery, Sean Carney, James Tripp.

Blazers 0

Stars - Daryn Colton, Ken Toyne, Brad Burnett, Referee - C. Comber.

Ghosts 1

Scorers - Andrew Hoddi, nott, Stars - Dave Bewley, Andrew Hoddinott, Ian Brown.

Blizzard 0

Stars - Mike Needham, Mark Covert, John Blackmore.

Wildcats 1 - Blazers 2

LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	P
Sharks	8	2	5	21
Firebirds	9	3	2	20
Wildcats	8	3	2	18
Stingrays	6	2	5	17
Ghosts	6	5	4	16
Blizzard	7	5	1	15
Flames	5	3	4	14
Blazers	2	3	8	12
Kings	2	8	1	5
Green Giants	1	10	2	4
Thunderbirds	1	11	2	4