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Gem goaltender Brad Miller had a tough go of it in the final game of his junior career, as he got beat 10 times. Miller will move on to university in the fall. He has played exceptional in latter stages of the playoffs but had trouble in this game. Here Cougar Mark Litton scores the final goal of the year against the Gems.

## Junior B's end Gem of season

### Raider give away

Saturday's last regular season game for the Raiders will be a big night for the fans. An exciting night of not just hockey is planned. As well as the weekly 13 programs draws and the 50-50 draw, supporters who have filled out the ballot at the back of the program for the trip to Florida will find out who the lucky couple will be when the draw is made during the game.

Also planned will be the presentation to the winner of the hockey pool which has been run all season. The person with the time of the last goal Saturday night will win \$100.

The Raider with the most accumulated points in the Molson three-star competition will also be announced.

#### By MARK CLAIRMONT Herald Sports Editor You could be all a hour in

BURLINGTON - You could hardly hear in a Gem dressing room here Thursday night after the local junior B bockey team had been eliminated from the first round of playoffs. The stereo was blasting out some of that good old rock 'n roll as the tired but jovial players made their way to and from the shower.

Had one not known better, this scene could have been mistaken for a victory celebration. It looked like the Gems had just tied the series at three games each and had forced a final and deciding seventh game. That was not the case as they were put out 10-4 by the mighty looking Cougars that night.

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The atmosphere in and around the two Gem dressing rooms was light and lively. No sombre faces and no second thoughts about the game that had just taken place on the ice. Everyone from team management through staff to the players themselves were proud of their accomplishment of getting as far as the sixth game of the playoffs.

Their thoughts might have been momentarily turned back to the previous Friday's overtime loss to the Cougars in this same Gardens. That would have tied the series at two games each instead of presenting the Gems with a 3-1 games deficit to recover from. However, that was all hindsight as far as the Gems were concerned Thursday.

The talk was all more of how the team was going to do next year. "We're a young team," said John Barnes. "And we're only going to lose six players," said club president Bob Girdwood. "I haven't seen too many juvenile games," said coach Tom Daley, "we'll just have to see."

After losing the first three games of the series the Gems had gallantly fought back to take the next two coming into the sixth game.

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# Akers-Clark determined to beat Norval and league

By STEPHEN FROST Herald Staff Writer

Akers-Clark not only lost an appeal against a league decision dropping them to fourth from second in the industrial hockey standings because of an apparently ineligible player, they also lost the first game of the playoffs Sunday to Norval. Philp Publishing won the other playoff game 4-1 over the Glen Warriors.

However, coach Mac Korzack is confident that his team can shake off the loss and the league and eventually win the series.

"We really scared them (Norval) on the weekend,"

Rorzack said, "if it wasn't for some bad penalties we took and some bad calls against us we might have won. Mind you complaining about bad calls doesn't put the puck in the net. The guys on this team are really fired

up by the inconsistency in the league executive this year and we want to win this series badly."

Don Fendley, industrial league president, told The Herald Thursday night that the Akers-Clark appeal against the decision to drop them to fourth place, was rejected because Brian Hurley's name was on five game sheets for the Owen

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