

# Women's sports are blossoming!

## Ladies soccer and volleyball are the latest of popular female activities

Women's sports in Halton Hills have grown in fantastic proportions over the past ten years, particularly in the past two years as ladies' soccer and volleyball make headway in the sports scene.

Team sports such as baseball, volleyball, hockey and soccer were traditionally thought of as men's sports in the 1960s, but recent enthusiasm in the community has changed all that.

Nine years ago Powderpuff softball started in Georgetown on a recreational basis. The ladies played on Wednesday nights and were supplied with team sweaters. With 18 players per team and six teams in the league, the Powderpuff group boasted a registration of 108 players.

For the past few years there has been a demand for additional teams as more women have become interested in playing Powderpuff softball. This year, the league will expand to eight teams of 18 players to accommodate the increased demand.

Pat Akers, current president of the Powderpuff league says the response has been tremendous. Registration is on April 4th and Akers calls the response thus far, "unbelievable."

There are varied reasons why women are more enthu-

Joan Howat of Georgetown's Rep volleyball league delivers a volley in recent action. Volleyball is one of the newest additions to women's sports in Georgetown. Over half of the participants surveyed by the convenor said the social aspect was an important factor in wanting to play.



The Georgetown Senior girls hockey team members are: Jodi Peebles, Bonita Kennedy, Angie Dickson, Laura Zubor, Lisa Allen, Pamela Kent, Dianne Taylor, Sally Jackson, Pam Marlina, Debbie Osborne, Elizabeth Coates, Sharon Anderson, Dawn Harrison, Sue Jamieson.

sia about participating, Akers says. She says there is the social aspect to the game; it helps keep the players in shape and is generally a nice night out for the girls.

"Sometimes you get tired of sitting on the sidelines watching the kids playing," Akers says. "Also a lot of girls have boyfriends or husbands who are playing baseball. I will personally play till I'm 90," Akers says.

The ladies' basketball league started in Georgetown six years ago and was initiated by Irene McCauley who was playing for a Toronto team at the time.

McCauley started the league with 20 people and it was more like a fitness session, but the majority of the girls preferred playing basketball, McCauley says.

The basketball league started with three teams with seven or eight players on each team. In the fourth year there were six teams and a representative team was picked from the league to play outside of Georgetown.

This year the Georgetown Ladies' Masters (over 30 years) tournament April 25 which is an Ontario Ladies' basketball association sanctioned tournament. Also interesting to note is that another ladies team in town - the Royaleites baseball team - will be hosting the Ontario championships this summer in Georgetown.

Irene McCauley says the basketball league has room to grow from their current six teams but the facilities are just not available.

When asked for the reason why the growth and interest in ladies basketball has increased, McCauley says women today are more aware of their personal fitness.

She says that basketball is a good healthy outlet - a night out which can be rehabilitating when "the kids are getting to you. It's relaxing and exhilarating. Women are more aware that with the children you have to save some time for yourself," McCauley says.

Recreation department's Joy Gwilliam says that women are now more vocal in their requests for field and diamond space. Gwilliam feels that especially with Powderpuff baseball, the emphasis is on the social aspect of the game where players can get together after the game and talk about their wins and losses.

"The Rec department has allowed for expansion. We're listening to the ladies' leagues," Gwilliam says. Women are now able to pursue their interests at three different levels of ladies baseball, Gwilliam says. Acton even has a co-ed baseball league.

Women's hockey has not gained in popularity to the same degree as other sports, but the interest is still very high for a league that started in Georgetown four years ago.

Shirley Richmond and Gerry Osborne were two of the early organizers of women's hockey. Shirley Richmond asked the Geor-

town Minor hockey executive if they could get a girls' team together.

"We started with two teams playing against each other every week and eventually we got into playing against Orangeville," Gerry Osborne says.

Two years ago the Georgetown team started playing against Orangeville but now they are in the Halton County Girls' League and play Burlington, Oakville, and Milton. Georgetown has an Intermediate (11 to 14 yrs.) and Senior (14 - 18 yrs.) team, but would like to start a Junior (9 - 11 yrs.) team as well.

Mrs. Osborne says her daughter enjoys the game and it's not just a matter of women's liberation as to why the girls enjoy the game, she says. "Girls like to ice skate and if they are sports inclined the game adds a variety of skills." Her daughter likes the feeling of competing against other teams, Osborne says.

The Senior girls just came back from a tournament in Picton this weekend.

John Netten who is the present Georgetown ladies hockey convenor says that girls hockey is "another way girls are saying, 'the guys are playing, so can we.'" Netten says the girls want to participate in a sport that has outlets like the boys such as releasing their frustrations and improving their skills. Some girls are even more intense and enthusiastic than the boys because they have been playing a shorter time than the boys, he says.

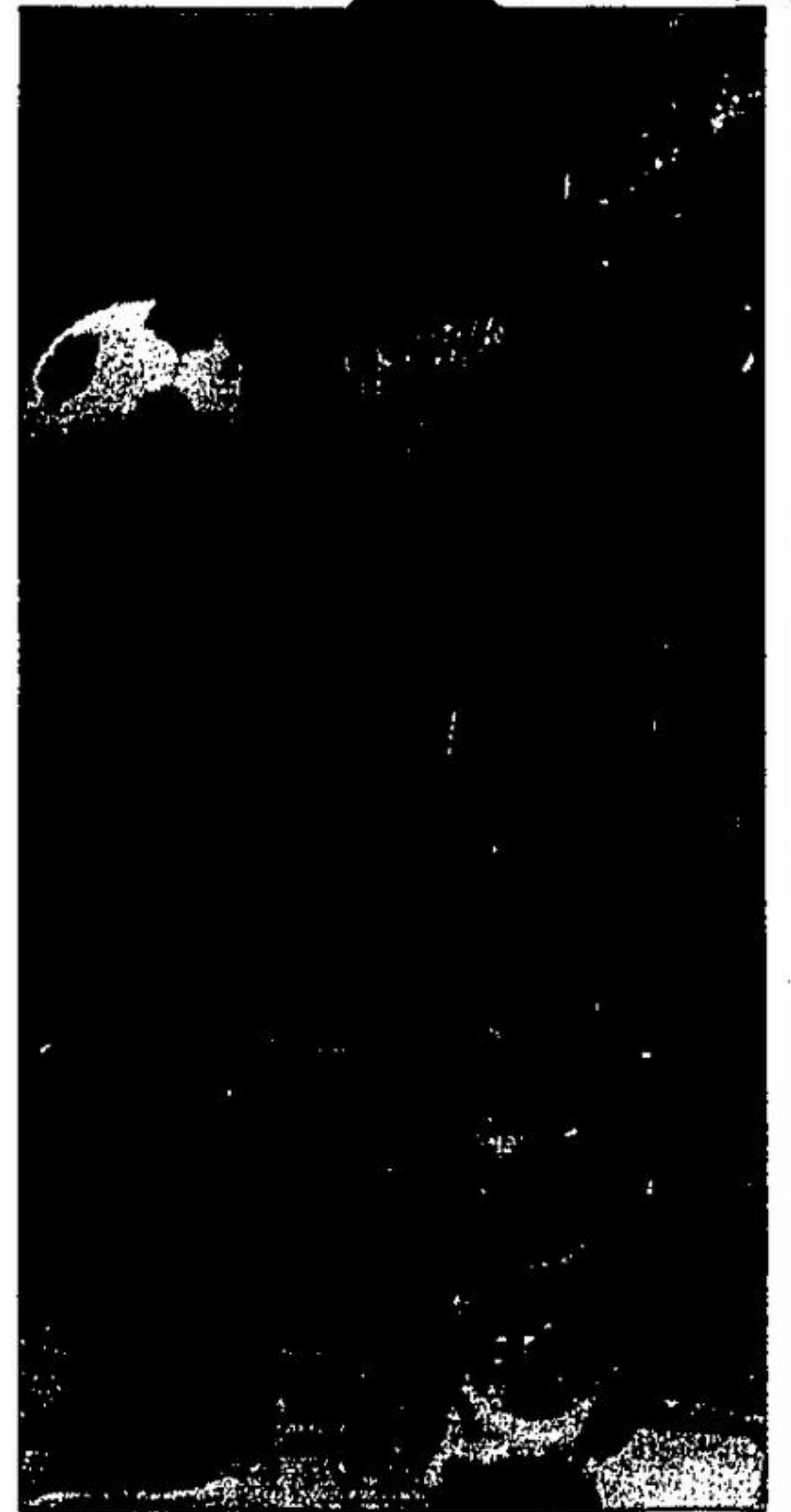
Women's soccer and volleyball are the two latest up-and-coming sports that have taken Halton Hills by storm.

On the soccer scene, Des Rafferty, president of Georgetown's ladies recreational league says he is enthusiastic about this season.

Rafferty first started a girls' team when his daughter wanted to play soccer 11 years ago. But last year he formed a new recreational league of ladies which boasted 35 women from Georgetown. A new league was started called G.I.R.L.S. (Girls in Rural Soccer League) consisting of equal enthusiastic teams from Pineview, Bolton and Milton and two teams from Georgetown.

"Female soccer is growing. People are phoning us from Brampton because they

are not nearly as advanced - nothing is really happening there in women's soccer," Rafferty says.



A member of the Pineview Soccer club takes part in a recent coaching clinic at Pineview school. The G.I.R.L.S. (Girls in Rural Soccer League) league started last year has been very successful.

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Rafferty says he thinks there is a trend with the older women that maybe they are regretful of not trying the sport earlier.

The newly organized volleyball team started as a group fitness night for women two years ago. However, the following September a volleyball night was organized and the night eventually extended into a season. At the end of the year a representative team was picked to go to an Etobicoke tournament.

"The competition got us going as we won the consolation final in the Etobicoke tournament," says Pat Boeckner, convenor of the Georgetown ladies volleyball association. Georgetown now has two rep teams and two house league teams. They both play on Wednesday nights. In the Halton-York-

Peel (H.Y.P.) volleyball league, the rep teams play once per month on Tuesday nights. There are 16 teams in the H.Y.P. league.

Boeckner surveyed the volleyball group this season to establish some guidelines and general philosophies. She found that about one-half of the women said that volleyball is a nice easy way to get exercise. One third said the night was a social night for them while another third said they liked good competitive volleyball.

"I think there is a growing realization that you don't always have to tag along with your husband and child," Boeckner says. There is also an increased sensitivity towards keeping in shape, she says. Some women have watched their children play volleyball and thought it would be fun, Boeckner says. "It's certainly better than sitting at home with the TV," she says.



The Orange 'Orioles' of the Powder Puff ladies softball league didn't reach the finals in last season's play, but they had a lot of fun over the season.

## SWIMMING

### Swim club visits Milton

On February 26, the Halton Hills Synchro Club travelled to E.C. Drury School in Milton to compete against four other synchronized swimming clubs.

There were two categories at the meet - one was individual skills and the other was a sequence done in groups of three swimmers.

In the Star One skill events, Krista Richardson placed sixth in age 8 and under and Shannon Johnston came sixth also, in the 11 and 12 year category. In Star Three and under Tammy Rodgers got a fourth place in the 11 and 12 age group.

In the Star Four and Five group, ages 11 and 12, Elizabeth Maynen and Marla Brillinger tied for first and Carolyn Sewell and Dana Richardson tied in second place finishes. Jane Sewell came first with Katey Wynneck second in the 13 and over age division.

The team of Dana Richardson, Marla Brillinger, and Carolyn Sewell finished third in the 12 and under open category for sequence competition. In the same category, for 13 and over, Elizabeth Maynen, Katey Wynneck, and Jane Sewell also placed third.

This meet was the first one for some swimmers and since this one went so well, a duo meet with Milton is being planned for May.

Congratulations to all swimmers for their performances! The winner of the "WHO IS HE?" contest, held the last two weeks of February 1981, was Doug Creighton.

Doug was one of 55 entries. We would like to thank all the entrants for their participation.

Do you have a group (Cubs, guides, friends etc.) that would like to organize a party or get together at one

of the pools? If so, don't hesitate to call the Pool Supervisors at Georgetown and Acton, or the Recreation Office, to get information or make arrangements to rent the pool.

Again this year the Town of Halton Hills will be hosting a Backyard Pool Clinic at the Georgetown High School Cafeteria on Wednesday and Thursday, April 29th and 30th starting at 7:00 p.m. The topics this year will cover summerizing, winterizing, heating, pool problems, chemical, pool safety, artificial respiration, legalities, and electrical safety.

There is no charge for this clinic. If you wish to attend please call the Recreation Office and reserve a spot so that we will be properly prepared for the number of people who attend.



**CHAMPION CHUMS**  
Murray MacGregor winning skip of Guelph congratulates defending provincial champion skip of Georgetown, Harvey Chappell. These two gentlemen have been playing against one another for fifteen years.

### Peewee Selects play full roster

The local Peewee Selects had a full week of games with two at home, and two out of town to play out the remainder of the league's regular season schedule.

A St. Patrick's Day encounter with Streetsville resulted in a 5-1 score for our boys. Brian Peacock emerged with a hat trick, while Mike Ross and Heath Lockhurst each scored a counter. Rob Cooper, Bob and Brad Klavkals, Rod Froehler and Scott Duggan came through with assists for their teammates.

Onward to Orangeville last Wednesday night, where the Georgetown team came through with a well-earned 3-1 victory over the tough opposition. The defense played a solid game, while the forwards persisted in well-organized attacks.

Goalies Garby Butwell and Sean Milton came through with some nice saves against the hard-hitting Orangeville squad. Bob Klavkals, Ralph Buege and Heath Lockhurst

lit up the scoreboard with help from Brad Klavkals, Rod Froehler and Brian Peacock.

Back to Georgetown again on Saturday when Georgetown and Orangeville met again for their final game of the year. The visitors took a 2-0 lead at the end of the first period, but Georgetown came back to tie it up at the end of the second.

Midway through the third period, the visitors broke the tie, but in a rousing finish, the locals came through with the tie goal with less than two minutes to go in the game while Orangeville was short-handed.

A superb team effort made the difference, along with the help of Jason Bew, Brent Hutt and Richard Percival who are filling in for absent players. Jason Bew, Bob Klavkals and Rod Froehler drove home three beautiful goals on assists from Brad Klavkals, Brent Hutt, Scott Duggan and Lance Reid.

Finally, to Milton on Sunday, where fans witnessed a see-saw score, until Milton finally emerged victorious in a 5-4 win, after some very exciting moments around both nets.

Brothers Bob and Brad Klavkals and Rod Froehler each chalked up a goal and

an assist; Brent Hutt, a goal, and Jason Bew and Ken McDermott, assists.

And if this wasn't enough hockey for one week, most of the boys will probably be spending a good part of Spring Break week as spectators at the Bantam Tournament!!

Memorial arena and the Lion's Hall on Mill St. have been bustling with excitement as Georgetown's International Bantam hockey tournament continues this week.

In game action, the Georgetown Selects were defeated by Milton last Saturday in the 'D' division while Smithville went ahead against Oshawa in their match-up.

In the 'C' division, Acton, Stouffville and Georgetown advanced to the next round of play. Pickering is the only

team to be picked as a winner so far in the first round of 'B' division play.

In the 'A' division, London, Toronto Red Wings, Detroit Little Caesars, Brantford, Brampton and Michigan Kord all advanced to the next round of play at press-time last Tuesday morning.

This Saturday at Gordon Alcott the divisional champions will face off against each other. At 2:30 the B champion plays the D champion. At 7:30, B or D plays A or C in the grand championship game.

**TOURNEY CONTINUES**

## HOUSE LEAGUE HOCKEY

House League Results: Tyke and Novice March 20  
Armbrs Transport 12, Louth Fence 9  
Goals by Armbrs: Brian Montgomery (2), Dave McNiven (5), Jamie McKie, Michael McLean, Darren Kratzek (2), Happy Eard with assists by Mike Verette, Brad Duby, Chris Stadelmann (2), Dale McNiven, Happy Eard (2), Jamie McKie (2), Larry Brunton, Jonathan Kerslake (3), Chris Thompson, Brian Montgomery, Paul House (2), Scott Friend.

Tack and Togs 7, Armstrong Insurance 0  
Goals by Tack: Graeme Buckrell, Ryan Ward, Shawn Pearson (2), Greg Dobbin, Gordie Buchan, Chad Davies with assists by Nick Kiplin (3), Graeme Buckrell, Adam Poulstrup (2), Shawn Pearson and Chad Davies (2).

Norm's Auto Repair 2, Concrete Pipe 2  
Goals by Norm's: Jeff Wright, Sean Butcher with assists by Peter Cambouris, Geoff Thompson, Jeff Wright, Grant Domski.

Goals by Concrete: Keith Montgomery, Ernie Pearce, with assists by Ernie Pearce, Brett Smith, Jim Brunton and Curtis Hamilton.

Montego Construction 3, Fobert Real Estate 3  
Goals by Montego: Steven Klein (2), Alan McLean with assists by Jeffrey Smith, Paul Burns, Ken Cassista, Chris Hyde, Alan McLean.

Goals by Fobert: Paul Fendley, Chad Bailey, Brett Gillett with assists by Brad Froehler and Paul Fendley.  
Harris Systems 2, William's Electric 1

Goals by Harris: Scott Dobbins, Sid Spear with assists by Dean Robbins, Jake Poulstrup and Joe Jordan.  
Goal by William's: Jeffrey Hannah with an assist by Trent Cull.

Ann's Cartage 3, Optimist Club 1  
Goals by Ann's: Christian Bechard (2), Doug Thompson with assists by Derek Woolgar, Trevor Smith, Christian Bechard, Danny Korosil and Scott Hamilton.  
Goal by Optimist: Matthew Moore with assists by Bob Donker and Randy Barrett.

Georgetown non-contact Hockey League

	W	L	PTS
Halton Hills	16	6	34
Royal Pizza	15	7	32
Beothuks	14	8	30
Has Beens	0	24	0

## BOWLING

**FRI-NITERS LEAGUE**  
A very close race in the season's team standings with Sky Onns 19.5 points, Lucky 5 Plus One 19 points and Late Arrivals 18.5 points. It was a very good night for Bob Hand who rolled a 840 triple with 227, 218 and a 395. Other high scores were: Ken Law 784 (292), Andy Murphy 629 (267), Michele Gresen 595 (262), Tom Prouse 586 (233), John Brsten 574 (242).

## YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE

Gary Hole rolled a 930 triple, 260-317-353, but it was an advance bowl and thus does not rate in individual standings, but nevertheless it was a terrific display.  
High Scores: Ladies - Sandy Cuthbert 784 (305), a fine prep for the singles championships, Wendy Freeland 665 (234), Janet Buris 630 (297), Cindy Rea 623 (268), Betty Simomyi 611 (250), Robin Richardson 607 (286), Men - Rick Gourlie 769 (268), Steve Foster 706 (258), Gary Richardson, 679 (241), Paul Ewing 671 (271), Tom Prouse 643 (238), Andrew Shenton 624 (271), Gary Louth 618 (235), R. Crighton 614 (265).

**FRANCIS-TIREURS LEAGUE**  
High Scores: Bert Craig 796 (310), Ed Tucker 676 (261), Eloi Laroque 676 (256), J.C. Dupuis 657 (225), Dave Corbett 602 (212), Ralph Gallant 589 (244), Ron Beck 588 (241), Adelbert Duguay 582 (206).

**GOLDEN AGE BOWLING RESULTS MAR. 20**  
High Single Flat: Myrtle Everson 223, Anne Nicholson 210, Syd Marder 277, Jim Wilson 240.

High Single with Handicap: Lenore Armstrong 271, Myrtle Everson 269, Syd Marder 277, Jim Wilson 264.  
High Triple Flat: Anne Nicholson 590, Ethel Hardman 555, Syd Marder 693, Grant Real 634.  
High Triple with Handicap: Lenore Armstrong 698, Maude Terrell 694, Syd Marder 693, Syd Hulme 669.  
Team standings: Rolling Stones 117, Blue Jays 104, Anne's Girls 99, Expos 98, 747's 96, Jokers Wild 94, On Strike 82, Charles Angels 91, Eager Beavers 89, Fire Flies 82, Orphans 77, Happy Gang 75, Rovers 67.

## GEORGETOWN MEN'S MAJORS BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	W	L	TP
Park Lincoln Mercury	12	6	65
Saunders Esso	12	6	59
Dellos All Stars	11	7	79
Canadian Tire	10	8	64
Royal Pizza	10	8	50
Choice Air	6 1/2	11 1/2	34 1/2
Exchange Tavern	5	13	44
Inter County Trophy	4 1/2	13 1/2	44 1/2

**HIGH TEAM TOTALS WITH HANDICAP**  
High Triple: Saunders Esso 956, Canadian Tire 3882.  
High Single: Saunders Esso 1532, Dellos All Stars 1473.  
Individual Awards: Henry Neutel 980, Sam Holmes 377.

With Handicap: Jack Hillier 893, Gord Lane 379.  
Top Averages: Jack Hillier 246, Ron McGowan 244, Colin Hicks 243.

## INDUSTRIAL HOCKEY

Leading Scorers:	Team	G	A	TP
Brian Beaumont	HT	6	5	11
Paul Martin	HT	4	3	7
Doug Barnes	BP	3	3	6
Brian McKenzie	UR	3	2	5
Ian Syme	HT	3	2	5
Larry Peterson	HT	3	2	5

## Major bantams

The DRG Major Bantams were defeated by Brampton in their Tri-County semi-final playoff round.

With only eleven skaters, the locals lost 3-1 on Tues., the 17th with Andy Fisher scoring on a pass from Tom Farles in the first period.

However, Mike McNiven robbed the opposition of many other chances to score. Back in the Memorial Arena on Thursday, John Catling was added to the roster after a recent appendectomy operation.

The teams played a fast, hard-checking game but the boys in red just couldn't seem to connect and lost 6-4.

Phil Wickens scored twice with singles by Andy Fisher and Kent Falby. Falby also earned two assists and Paul Dobson one.

Hopefully the team can score some important wins in the local International Bantam Tournament.