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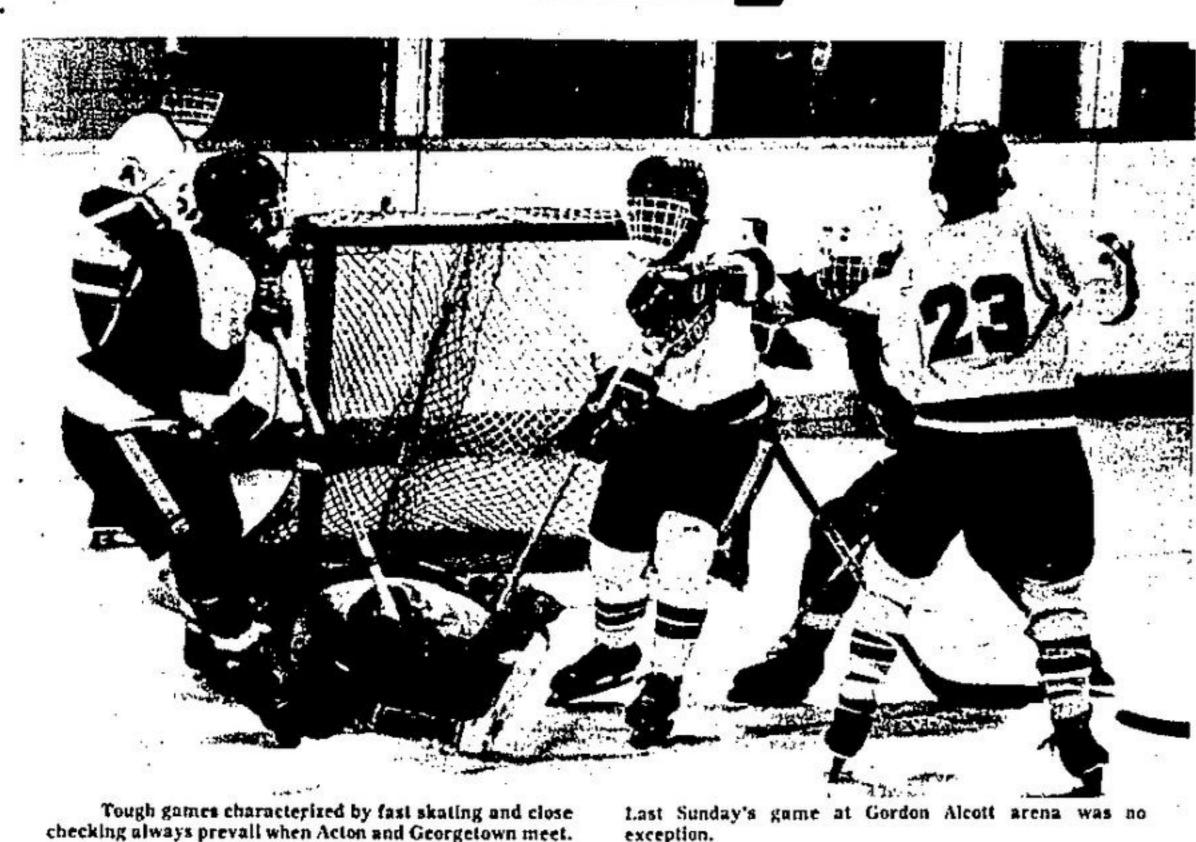
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Don Gaudreault fires this shot past Georgetown's Mike Steer to collect the game winning goal for the Sabres

Acton Sabres down Gems 8-5

Penalties costly to Geminis

No one might think that extra conditioning of floor hockey scrimmages and

basketball games would win hockey games for the Acton Junior B Sabres, but the

Swordsmen's 8-5 victory over the Geminis has ceach Jules Russiani smiling at the

last Sunday. Acton won 4-5.

results of extra dry land training.

Lost Sunday at George-

town's Gordon Alcott Arena,

the Sabres pulled away from

their cross-town rivals by

scoring four consecutive goals in the third period after leaving the second period on the short end of a 5-4 score. Coach Russiani saw in his team some much needed maturity which he has been striving to enstill into his charges. Their disciplined play and conditioning helped

the team, but more important, the team didn't panic when they were losing, Russiani said after the game. PENALTIES COSTLY Penalties were costly for the Geminis who found it difficult to stay away from the penalty box. The Sabres took good measure of their

blasted two power play goals past the Gem's Mike Steer. Georgetown, played really well against his team, Russiani said, but he was really happy with his own team's composure during the

power play opportunities and

## Sports in brief

## Bill Hewitt helps out with Gems

The Georgetown Junior B Geminis made further efforts last week to improve and consolidate their ability to gain a playoff spot by asking Georgetowner Bill Hewitt to ald newly appointed head coach Bob McCandless as the assistant coach.

The addition of Hewitt, who was considered last March for the head coaching job as a Gemini, came after former head coach Dave Switzer resigned two weeks ago and McCandless took over the helm from his assistant coach

General manager Bob Tost welcomes the arrival of Hewitt at the Gemini camp, although he's been more than happy with the job McCandless has done since he's been on his own. Hewitt brings with him many years of coaching experience. He played with the Georgetown Raiders and Is familiar with many players on the team.

Tost calls Hewitt a level-headed enough person who won't panic under pressure, but can reason his way out of problems. "He's very outgoing and he'll always level with you," Tost says.

Bob McCandless has a good grasp of what the team can do and should be doing, Tost feels. "In talking to Bob, there isn't a thing he doesn't see on the ice. He knows exactly what's going on," Tost says.

The departure of Switzer leaves Tost feeling that Switzer did his best and he did more than enough work with the team, but the advanced planning and organization didn't show with the team's on ice performance. Attesting to Switzer's enthusiasm when he first met him. Tost says: "Probably the only reason I came back was because of a guy like Switzer."

Meanwhile, the team is trying to put all skeletons back in the closet. Goaltender Steve Sullivan has returned to his home in the United States after injuring his shoulder in a touch football game. Forward Rick Madgett has returned to Caledonia. With Kerry Fry from Milton and Murray Levey from Mississauga, the Gems have settled their line-up instability and head coach McCandless says the squad should remain pretty much the same for the rest of the

Ed Dwyer and Lance Doucette should both be ready to return to the line-up soon after shoulder injuries have sidelined them both. Suspensions and sickness have left some gaps in recent games, but McCandless wants to try and keep the players on set lines as much as possible.

### Minor Bantams win, tie

By HAROLD GILMER Herald Special

Against Streetsville and Chinguacousy the Georgetown Optimist Minor Bantams took away with them a win and a tie, then they thoroughly thrashed Brampion 7-2, led by the heroics of Brian Doherty who scored three goals.

Doherty scored the only goal of the first period against Brampton as the Minor Bantams pulled ahead on Brian's goal from Pat Braund. Doherty scored again in the second period assisted by Chris Hodgens.

Then Bob Klavkains went to work and netted a goal from Pat Braund and Jon Hammer. Danny Kent added another from a pass off of Mike Teetzel's stick.

In the third period Louis DePaoli and Mike Teetzel scored on assists by Mark Pries and Jon Hammer. Brian Doherty scored his third and final goal assisted by Chris Marling and Chris Hodgens.

Steve Tucker played in goal for the win. Brampton scored their two goals in the last six minutes of the third period. Their last goal was scored when they had a two man

Defencemen Pat Braund, Danny Kent, Mark Pries and Jon Hammer did an excellent job and their task was made a bit easier when the forwards decided to backcheck. Also the supporters gave the team a boost,

Against Streetsville, goal scorers were Danny Kent, Mike Teetzel and Brian Doberty. Assists came from Mark Pries and Pat Bround.

Georgetown outshot their Streetsville opposition 23-12, but had trouble finding the openings, plus covering the man in front of their net. Their penalty minutes were down but still took too many in the third period out of frustration, Against Chinguacousy the goal scorers were Dean

Irvine (2), Dave Bertrand and Brian Doherty while Mike Teetzel, Bob Klavkains, Mark Pries, Danny Kent, Jon Hammer and Scott Campbell collected assists. Georgetown took too many retallation penalties but

their teammates, out of determination and hard work did well in killing most of the 28 minutes in penalties.

## Taking a closer look as teams fight for a playoff spot

Acton hockey fans are still buzzing about their fifth place finish last year and the close quarter-final loss to Burlington, However, player losses over the summer may make a repeat performance difficult for this young team.

Three all-stars have left the team: centreman Pat Fung, league MVP Glenn Murray, and most improved player of the league, Barry Trood. Goalie Gary McDougall has gone to the Guelph 'A' team.

However, one important award winner will be back that's coach of the year Jules Russiani, Also defenceman Mark Duvall who tried out with the Windsor Spitfires has returned. He's an overage midget. Rob Vermillion was drafted by the Brantford Alexanders but returned to Acton following a shoulder separation. The strong winger is skating again and should re-join the Sabres' line-up soon.

If they get off to a bad start this season GM Ron Jeffrey won't worry about it. It's an "historic" thing according to

STREETSVILLE DERBYS Last year was the big shake-up for the Derby In terms of player changes. Still, they went on to make the playoffs and should be much stronger this year with that experience. In one league game this

season they beat Dixie 8-5. The most impressive stat from that game, was the number of shots on goal -46-20 in favor of Streetsville. They are already a tight-knitsquad that should be dangerous from the start.

Club president Alex McDougall hopes the club will finish in the top three and they're putting the entire workload on the shoulders of Mississauga players. About seven or eight new players will be added to the roster of veterans. THORNHILL, T-BIRDS

Despite a huge initial train-

ing camp of 95 players the Thunderbirds still find themselves short of defencemen. Other than that GM Al Morris says the new prospects and the team overall took stronger than last

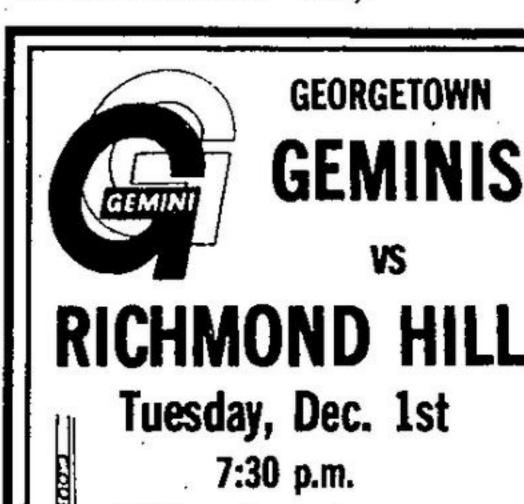
Seven veterans are returning and that's pretty respectable. Says Morris, "We need defencemen but we're quite strong up front. We're also strong in goal but we have

rookies on defence." One of those midget defenders from the Thornbill hockey system is 6'2" Marty Williamson who'll carry a lot of the duties along with Rob Baggs who returned this year from Provincial Junior 'A' Newmarket Fivers. Up front, three veteran

forwards should be the main leaders. Mike McCauley, a rightwinger, is much stronger this season according to Morris, as are centre Steve Tschipper and winger Rob Humphries.

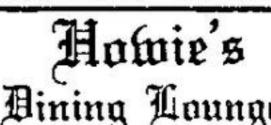
Morris admits they're not a big club and their "forte is skating and moving the

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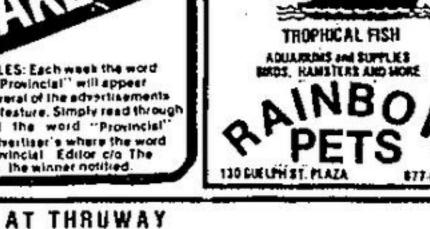
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