

To be a goaltender: the plight of homebrew Raider Brad Miller

"O, what men dare do! What men may do! What men daily do, not knowing what they do!"
—Shakespeare, Much Ado About Nothing

There has to be some irony that Raider goaltender and Georgetown native Brad Miller was in the Herald office last Monday afternoon for an interview so that Sportsweek might write a feature story about this young man's hockey exploits.

Seven hours later, the 22-year old Miller, the youngest of the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders was cut from the team, leaving only forwards Gary McFadyen and Juri Kudrasov as the Georgetown-born team members.

Brad said earlier in the day that being released from the team had been a worry to him, but because he thought the Jan. 10 deadline had passed, he could breathe a sigh of relief and concentrate on playing.

General manager Dave Kentner, out of respect for Brad's abilities, wanted to release him Monday to allow the goaltender to pick up with another team before the cut-off date for signing players was past.

Kentner even thinks Collingwood could sign Miller to a player card.
"I heard Brad was released the same time he did and I was shocked," assistant general manager Don Fendley said.
It must have been hard for Raider

Brad Miller, in the Raiders' final tally, matched Ontario Intermediate A standards, but the Georgetown club wants a Canadian champion.



coach Gerry Inglis to tell Brad because he had been employing him during the fall to apprentice as a stonemason.

A COMMITMENT
There is no doubt that Miller, like any cut player from a hockey club, has a right to be bitter. But from the Raiders' standpoint, their move to release him illustrates their

commitment to provide a Canadian Intermediate A championship for the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders.
With Brad having some trouble with injuries during the season plus adjusting to a new team with a different style, the Raiders felt their goaltending situation had to be stabilized to reach not only Ontario Intermediate A standards but Canadian Intermediate standards.

As Don Fendley says, hindsight is a great thing, and you never know until the moment is gone that you've done the right thing.

Brad Miller played all his minor hockey in Georgetown, not necessarily as a goaltender, however. His biggest thrill in minor hockey was making the rep bantam team for the first time and getting to play in the Georgetown Bantam tournament. He said he kept getting cut from rep hockey as a skater so he tried goal and finally made the rep hockey teams.

Brad improved so fast that in Midget he had the best average in the league and was voted to the league's all-star team. He had hoped to get drafted in his first year as a Midget, but he said he was overlooked and

possibly the reason was because of his size, he said.

GEMINI LEADER
Brad progressed to the Georgetown Junior B Gemini and spent four years with the team. The last year with the team he was a team leader, always wanting to win. He was given the Most Valuable Player Trophy and the Most Deserving Player award.

His last year for the Gemini was exciting as he led the team against Burlington in the first round of the playoffs. Georgetown had two big wins against the Cougars who were first in the standings. "We didn't give up and we showed we weren't a last place team," he said.

After Junior B, Miller had a tryout with Milwaukee of the International Hockey League. He said he wasn't given a fair look, but he had a lot of fun with the players, meeting new friends. "It was an experience," he said.

Brad came back to Georgetown and at that time the Raiders had already signed two goaltenders to player cards. He then received a call from the Stratford Senior A's to play last year and he went to play the

season for them.
Throughout the season the team was on the verge of folding and because the

out and win so the games were enjoyable," he said.

The other players in the league respected Stratford for their determination to keep playing with a minimum of team members, Brad said.

As a Raider, Brad said, "I love it here. Staying in Georgetown was always in the back of my mind. I look up to everyone on the team."

If a team scored a goal, the Raiders would go up to Brad and tell him to shake it off, the goal doesn't matter, he said.

"I'm just gaining confidence in myself and they've (Raider management) gained confidence in me," Brad said.

Maturity and attitude helps the 1981-82 Raiders play so well because they can slow down or score goals to pace themselves if they have to, Brad said. The team is just short a few defencemen.

"There is no way the Raiders can't go all the way - they are just a super hockey club," he said.



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Herald Sports Editor

management couldn't pay their players, only eight players remained until the end of the season. Brad wasn't worried so much about the money because he loved playing, even though he was facing an average of 60 shots per game.
One game against Cambridge he deflected 70 shots. "With a lot of shots on net, I loved it. There was no pressure to go

Rebel veteran wrestlers win Flesherton meet

By HAROLD BRANSCHE
Herald Correspondent

The Georgetown District High School wrestlers set the stage for an exciting local Invitational this Saturday as 10 veterans entered the Grey Highlands Invitational at Flesherton and won the championship with a total of 71 points.

Georgetown's nearest rival, General Wolfe from Oakville collected 59 points in the Saturday meet.

Of the 10 Rebel wrestlers, there wasn't one of them that didn't place in the top five which makes the accomplishment superb, said coach Ray Smith after the meet. "All of the boys who finished first (there were four) were outstanding," Smith said.

Meanwhile, Georgetown's other wrestling coach, Bob McKay was in Bolton to a Humberview wrestling meet with some of the team's less experienced wrestlers.
At the Grey Highlands Invitational Jeff Knight finished the meet in first place for his 81 lbs. division while Mike DeGulidice was third in his 92 lbs. category.
Tim Dixon was first in the 99 lbs. while teammate Dave Power was fifth in the same weight division.

Wrestling at 106 lbs. Steve Power muscled against his opponent for a first place finish while at 121 lbs. Bob Sweezer was first and Jim Wittmeier was third.

At 158 lbs. Gary Morrow was fifth while Mark Roberts earned third spot in the 167 lbs. weight division. Rick Sedore wrestled well but didn't place in the standings.

Particularly eventful was the Tim Dixon bout for his championship in which he came back from a 11-0 deficit

to eventually win against his opponent, coach Ray Smith said. "Tim was within one point of losing, but he came back," Smith said.

In the meantime, the first place finish should put the Georgetown boys in good position for their annual Georgetown Invitational this Saturday at the high school, Smith said. The wrestling meet features teams from across Ontario and bouts will continue from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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- (2) the number of beds committed by the proposer for residents requiring "heavy" nursing care on an on-going basis;
- (3) the commitment made by the proposer(s) to accept residents referred by hospitals.

Copies of a detailed "Request for Proposals" document will be available on and after January 15, 1982, from Mr. A. Barker, Purchasing Department, Ontario Ministry of Health, 3rd Floor, 7 Overlea Boulevard, Toronto, Ontario M4H 1A8; telephone number: (416) 963-1081.

Prospective proposers are afforded the opportunity to obtain information and final clarification respecting the above document on January 29, 1982, at 9:00 a.m., by attending a meeting to be held in the Frontenac Room, East Side, 2nd Floor, Macdonald Block, Queen's Park, Toronto.

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Ministry of Health
Central Purchasing
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15 Overlea Boulevard
Toronto, Ontario
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All Acts and Regulations pertaining to the operation of a nursing home must be satisfied and the party(ies) selected will be responsible for all costs associated with the development and operation of the nursing home(s) including land acquisition, building construction and facility operations.

It should be noted that the Ministry of Health is not obligated to accept a proposal as a result of this competition. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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Bowling

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Colin Hicks 666 (256), Tom Prouse 638 (241), Steve Foster 627 (308), Rick Chaplin 631 (241), Paul Ewing 628 (231), Grant Richardson 618 (214), Andy Parent 617 (221), Sheila Beatty 755 (297), Sandy Cuthbert 708 (246), Wendy Chaplin 669 (261), Sharon Pshyk 629 (227), Diane Leonard 605 (241).

Most of the youth bowlers at Georgetown Bowl have reached the halfway point in the qualifying rounds for the Y.B.C. National Championship competition.

The ones who are attaining the necessary concentration and championship form in the singles category are the girls - senior Roberta Burke 225 average, junior Julie McCorry 230 average and bantam Sandra Weeks with a 183 average.
Among the best of the team qualifiers are senior Shane Lowin with 229 average, junior David Hicks 204 average and Brent Osatchuk 196 average.

MID-WINTER BLUES
The teaching division of the Master Bowlers Association will be holding the Central Ontario zone round of the Mid-Winter Blues Tournament at Georgetown Bowl on Sunday morning of January 17.

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