

# 'Low key, high profile' coach wins Heritage award

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Georgetown Chrysler Raider coach Gerry Inglis has been named the 1982 winner of Georgetown prestigious Hockey Heritage award, it was announced last Friday.

Inglis, a low key, but high profile local hockey personality, becomes the fifth annual recipient of the Heritage award which will be presented to him Monday March 8 in a special banquet in his honor. One of the stated purposes of the Heritage award is to recognize a significant contribution to the Georgetown hockey community.

Gerry Inglis, a life long resident of Georgetown, was active as a player for twenty years in which time he played on four Georgetown OHA championship

teams. A coach in house league and rep hockey, Inglis was successful in coaching an Ontario



Midget championship team, an OHA Junior C championship (1967-68) and four OHA

Intermediate A championships.

**HOLDS RECORD**  
Inglis holds the OHA record for the most consecutive winners in Intermediate A competition (three). He might well be considered the most successful coach in Halton Hills hockey history.

When talking about why Inglis was chosen, many of the reasons are repeated by different people. Raider president Bob Hooper is pleased with the choice of Inglis because he says you could never begin to contemplate the number of hours Gerry Inglis has spent in amateur hockey.

"Gerry taught a lot of people how to win," Hooper says. It is indeed the winning attitude of Inglis that has impressed many people in Georgetown about his capabilities as a player and coach.

"You'd never talk to Gerry after a game if he lost," former Raider manager Bud James says. "But he's really a down to

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earth person who'll help you with anything if he can. He's liked for his coaching, James says.

**GOOD KNOWLEDGE**  
For James, who was last year's Heritage winner, Gerry Inglis has a good knowledge of the game and all his teams are

disciplined. "I liked the way he handled the players, how he disciplined them and how he played them," James says.

When contacted about the award selection, Inglis admitted surprise. According to his wife Eleanor, Gerry asked her if he should turn down the award. "He doesn't like to be in the limelight in that respect, Gerry would rather win as a team than be individually recognized," his wife says.

Inglis is described by Eleanor as a very quiet man who is also outspoken and takes a lot of pride in what he does. "He's keyed up for hockey games and he doesn't take defeat lightly," she says.

Because the Inglis' have no children, Gerry relaxes by his participation in hockey, fishing and hunting, his wife says. In coaching Midget hockey, Gerry

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## Jr. B Geminis end their season out of playoffs

The Georgetown Junior B Geminis completed their regular season schedule without making the playoffs for the second consecutive year.

To both coach and general manager of the club, not making the playoffs was their biggest disappointment of the season. After starting the 1981-82

hockey season with a revitalized executive, a new enthusiastic coach, and an early training camp which began in July, the Geminis ended the year in ninth place in the eleven team Central Ontario Junior B league.

General Manager Bob Tost said after the last game had been played that the Geminis had a good team on paper, but team statistics with regards to penalties shows that there were some discipline problems.

The team lead the league in penalties at the first half of the season and were close to the top of the penalty standings in the second half.

**IMPORTS BETTER**  
Of the imports, Bob Tost said he was happy at how Guy Cormier, Mike Corbly and Mike Steer helped the team throughout the year.

With the late addition of goaltender Wayne Cowley, Georgetown had a goaltending crew, "that not too many teams in the league could beat," he said.

On a contending club, Mike Steer would be the number one goaltender in the league, Tost said.

Tost said the Geminis will again operate next year, but it is becoming more crucial the team find a co-sponsor to help with club expenses.

Coach Bob McCandless Jr. did a good job for what he had to work with after Dave Switzer left the club mid-way through the season, Tost said.

This year the team had their head barely above water in the financial department, so a Gemini sponsor will be important to help the team continue, Tost said.

**SELECTIONS**  
Discussions concerning the selection of a general manager and coach will be made in an executive meeting after the Gemini banquet scheduled for March 12.

Bob Tost declined to answer whether or not he would be returning but coach McCandless said he would be interested in returning.

For McCandless getting off the blocks slowly in winning one game in the first 14 starts hurt the team.

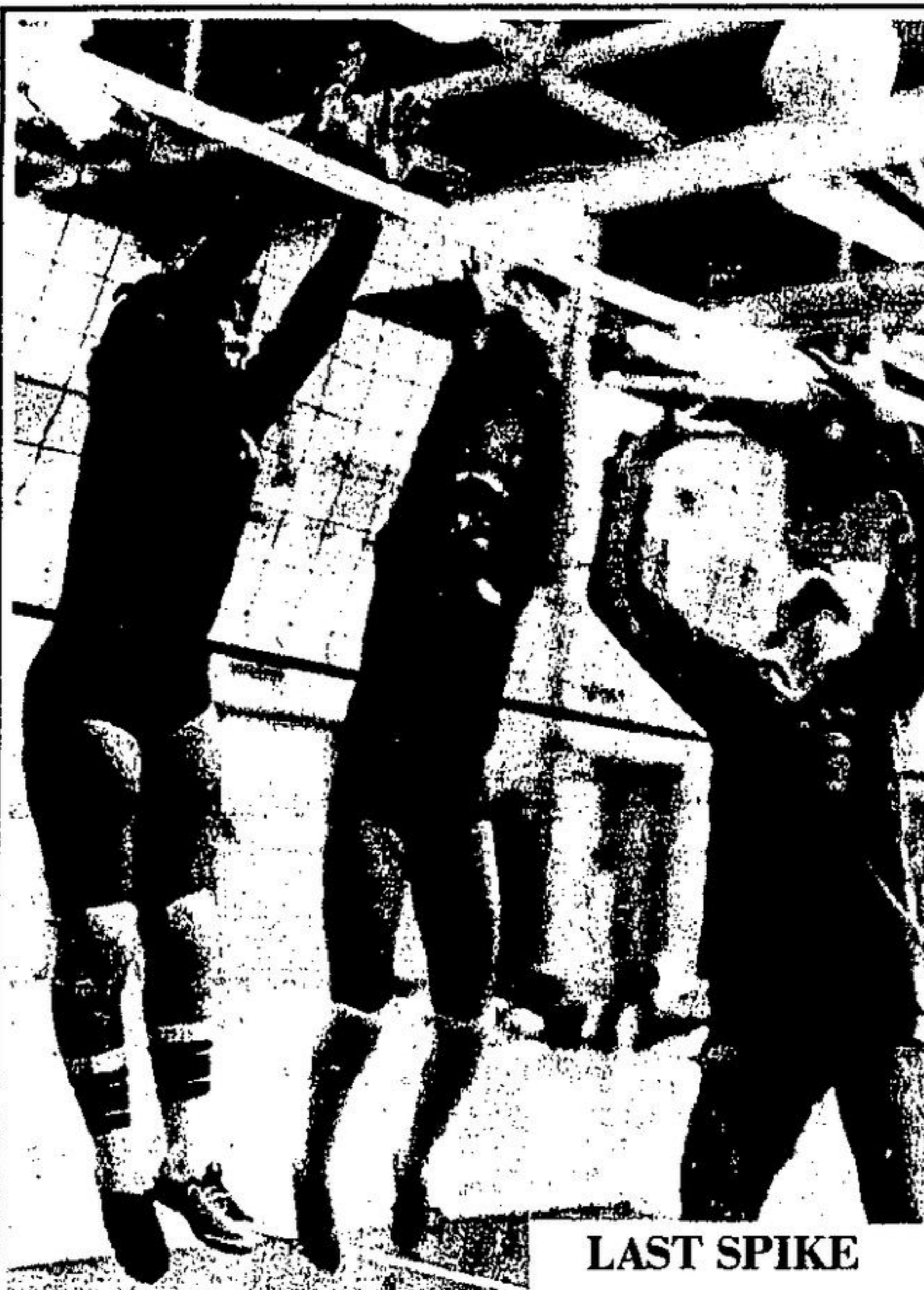
The bright spots for the team were the players who hustled all season such as Bob Dean, Mark Hamilton and Mike Steer, he said. With the exception of Riv Kennedy who came on well in the latter half of the season, the rest of the team played below their potential, McCandless said.

"A lot of the players didn't want to put all out for a win," he said. It was disappointing for the Geminis to lose their captain Bill Taylor for a majority of the season because of mono-nucleosis, McCandless said.

**PULLED GROIN**  
Also, one of the more effective players, Bob Dean, had a pulled groin during the same period Taylor was hurt, he said.

The Geminis should have done better against teams like Milton and Dixie who were low in the standings, McCandless said.

Highlights for the coach came when four or five players were able to keep the Geminis in contention for much of the season such as Mike Steer stopping 63 shots and still winning the game.



LAST SPIKE

The senior girls volleyball team from GDHS had some good fortune over the weekend when they won a tournament in Collingwood. Here Micky Richmond (left) and Denean Jones leap to deflect an opponent's spike.

(Herald photo by Harald Branch)

## YBC bowlers battle for champion's trail

Since the first of January, the Y.B.C. bowlers at Georgetown Bowl have been battling for the right to represent Georgetown on the Canadian Championship Trail - the "Four Steps to Stardom".

There are a few heart-aches as there were many close fights such as that of Barry McLean and Chris Somers with mere decimal points swinging the lead back and forth each week with McLean finally emerging the winner. However, the bantam boys' team of Brian Bell, Eddie Doyle, Michael Larocque and Ian Vint gained Somers as the solid anchor.

Saturday Feb. 13th the 'cream of the crop', the singles competitors, the bantam and junior class, will be bowling in the zone finals at the Town and Country Lanes, Guelph at 11:30 a.m.

This contingent is led by Julie McCorry, the defending junior girl Canadian Champ, who with a 240 average is confidently expected to repeat.

The junior boy is Jim Carpenter, the bantam boy, of course, is Barry McLean and the bantam girl in her first try is Sandra Weeks.

**JUNIORS COMPETE**  
Sunday, Feb. 14th, the junior girls' team of Tracie Peggie, Cherie McElroy, Karen Doyle, Lynn Norton and Judy Carroll, with their coach Andy Parent, will be competing at Brampton Bowl, Brampton at 9 a.m.

The junior boys' team of David Hicks, Brent Osatchuk, Anthony Larsen, Marc Bassett and Mark Miller will bowl at 10 a.m. at Georgetown Bowl, with the coaching of medal producer "Anne Nicholson".

On Saturday, Feb. 20th, at 12 noon, Shirley Chaplin will lead her strong bantam girls team of Meneine Webster, Tom McClements, Leanne Burt, Valerie Sabo and Lisa Brading at Park Royal Bowlerama, Mississauga.

At the same centre at 2:45 p.m. Ralph Miller will be directing the powerful bantam boys team.

Sunday, Feb. 21st, is the day for the "biggies", the senior bowlers, at Applewood Lanes, Mississauga. The late drive of Roberta Burke should power her to success with Jerome Stone also a strong competitor in the singles. The senior girls' team of Kelly McCorry, Margaret Jessop, Teresa Maslach, Debbie Lane and the steady leadership of Jane Hicks, will be coached by Joan Archibald who has produced many medal winners in the Canadian Championships.

The senior boys' team, with a concerted effort can succeed with the experience and knowledge of Chris Burke who has been a former YBC provincial winner and a Canadian "Gold" Champ. The team members are Shane Lowin, Ted Maslach, Brinley Hole, Paul Chaplin and Rob Quinlan.

The future holds great promise but the youth need the moral and above all the vocal support of their fellow bowlers and the people of Georgetown at these coming events.

**"PEPSI" HIGH SCHOOL CHALLENGE**  
The senior YBC bowlers from Georgetown Bowl will be competing for a place on the boys' team, the girls' team and the mixed team to represent Central Ontario in the "Pepsi" high school championships at D and K Bowl, Streetsville, Sunday Feb. 14 at 12:30 p.m.

There will also be some juniors in the event from junior high schools.

**COLT 45 CLASSIC CHAMPS**  
Ten qualifiers from Georgetown travelled to Guelph for the Colt 45 Classic regional championships for the 210 and under average bowler.

The successful top winner was Larry Louth from the Young Adult league and a place winner on the mixed team was Don Houston from the Golden Age league.

They now will continue on to the provincials. Other members of the contingent were: Linda Core (Wed. Aft. Ladies), Wendy Freeland (Y.A.B.A.), Sheila Beatty (YABA), Wendy Chaplin (YABA), Cory

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## Legion girls fastball team call it quits

Hot summer Tuesday nights at the Georgetown Fairgrounds may never be the same with the announcement that our Canadian Legion Royalties have thrown in their spikes for the 1982 season.

The Legion Branch 120 girls Intermediate team made the decision last week to end a ten-year reign as a competitive girls fastball club because they couldn't find enough players to continue.

The move to discontinue a decade of competitive softball came after several team meetings, veteran coach Ted Wilkes said. Wilkes has coached the Royalties for nine seasons.

Two players decided to retire after the season while two others have expressed an interest in playing fastball at a more competitive level, Wilkes said.

The absence of key players to the team left the Royalties with a dilemma. "We lost half the team, but probably closer to 75 per cent of our strength," the coach said.

**NO USE**  
There was a lot of soul-searching and discussion, the coach said, but as Royalties first baseman Janet MacKay explained, "there was no sense in continuing. The team wouldn't have been competitive enough in the Toronto league."

While other girls fastball teams are thriving around the province, coach Wilkes said, Georgetown Royalties have lost players faster than they've recruited them.

"The challenge with Georgetown is that we don't have a system," he said. With little competitive girls fastball in the area to recruit from, such as Midget or Juvenile teams, the Royalties couldn't find enough girls from the area.

**RECRUITS NEEDED**  
You don't get as many crowds if you recruit out of town players, so the team is really damned if you do, damned if you don't recruit outside Georgetown, Wilkes said.

According to the coach the ball diary, and time on Tuesday nights has already been

fools of ourselves", MacKay said.

"People in town don't realize the time Ted and Glen Abrey put into the team," MacKay said. Many people would offer their opinion about how the team should be run, but not too many would have stayed with the team through its ups and downs, she said.

"It will be funny not to put on the uniform and go down to the park on Tuesday nights," MacKay said.

Coach to the Royalties first team, Jack Handy, said it has to be a disappointment to see the team fold. "The Royalties were probably one of the better run organizations in town. The Legion backed the team to the hilt," Handy said.

**PRAISED LEGION**  
Coach Wilkes praised the Legion for their sponsorship in raising money for the team and holding beer gardens to make the Royalties financially sound.

"The magnitude of changes caught me off guard," Wilkes said. He wasn't expecting to lose as many key players off last year's squad.

When asked if he might return to coach this summer in another capacity, Wilkes

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## Novices big win!

Travelling and playing on foreign soil seems to appeal to the North Halton Sports Camp Novice hockey club from Georgetown.

Last weekend the local Novice rep team won a Buffalo YMCA South Towns tenth annual International Mites tournament.

The boys played their hearts out and came away with a number of reasons to be proud of their performance. Adam Hills from the team, a centreman, was awarded the Most Valuable Player in the tournament as he collected nine goals in five games.

The North Halton Sports Camp team also defeated the Oakville reps in the final 3-1. Georgetown Novices have been beaten twice before by Oakville so the victory was particularly meaningful.

The eight-team tournament was a two day affair in which four teams from Canada and four teams from the United States attended.

Georgetown defeated Kitchener 5-0, Depew 6-3, Wheatfield 4-1 and West Seneca 2-0 on their way to the championship round.



This is a picture of the first Georgetown Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120 Royalties which began ten years ago. After a decade of competitive girls fastball, the team will hang up their spikes because of some recruiting problems. A history of the Royalties appears on page B3. (Herald file photo)

## No spotlight for Gerry

Many people around town have different recollections of Hockey Heritage award winner Gerry Inglis.

Some memories about Inglis are amusing, such as Roy Ward's story about when Gerry Inglis as a player, backed an Orangeville opponent right past the players' bench against the arena wall.

It wasn't Gerry who was running away from this hefty player who a minute later had challenged Inglis to a duel. Most know Gerry Inglis as the coach of the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders and for that reason, his name may seem more familiar than previous award winners.

Sometimes a winning coach is taken for granted if his team consistently performs well on the ice. Because Inglis



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has been selected as the Hockey Heritage winner his accomplishment can now be given the recognition they deserve.

### NO SPOTLIGHTS

However, Inglis himself would prefer to stay out of the limelight if it was possible over the next few weeks. I'm sure. In contrast to the publicity conscience Raider general manager trying to sell the Raiders to Georgetown, a modest Gerry Inglis promotes the team by their performance on the ice.

He rarely speaks poorly of an opposing team coach. "Gerry is the type of man who commands a certain amount of respect. He's one of the most dedicated people to the sport," Raider GM Dave Kentner says.

Inglis probably learned more as a coach in minor hockey about the game than he did from playing. Roy Norton Sr. says. "When he (Gerry) told the kids something, he wanted them to do it," Norton Sr. remembers.

Gerry was very dedicated to the children in minor hockey and playing good hockey was more important than winning to Inglis, Norton Sr. says.

### OLDER KIDS

He was especially good with older kids who understood what he was saying, Norton Sr. says. "He taught a lot more about fundamentals of the game than other coaches," Norton Sr. says.



GERRY INGLIS AS A PLAYER

As a member of the Heritage Council selection committee, Norton Sr. says Inglis was picked because "he stayed with hockey. Some only stay with hockey as long as their son is playing."

"I know what it's like to travel with the kids. It's no

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