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Raiders advance to Hardy Cup finals



Veteran of Raider playoff hockey, Ray Tonelli, challenges for the puck against Cap Pele last weekend. Georgetown won the Eastern Canadian Intermediate A series three games to one and now advances to the Canadian finals against Quesnel, B.C. next Friday in Georgetown. The Raiders lost the first game 3-2, then bounced back to 7-1, 9-2 and 3-2 victories. (Herald photo by Dave Rowney)

By DAVE ROWNEY
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A long-awaited berth in the Canadian Intermediate A hockey championships has become a reality for the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders. Raider forward Gary McFadyen scored with eight minutes left in the game to give his team a 3-2 victory over Cap Pele last Monday night at Alcott arena.

The visiting Cap Pele Capitals from just outside Moncton were defeated three games to one by the Raiders.

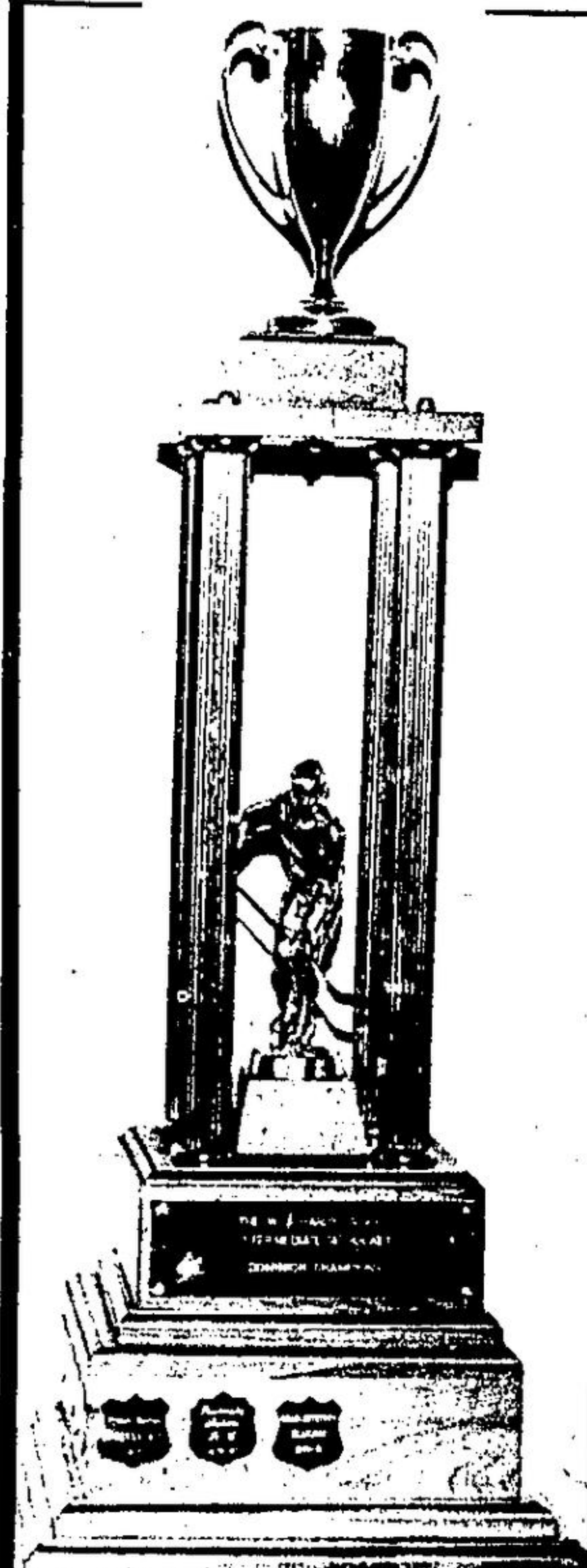
The Georgetown squad rebounded from a 3-2 defeat in the first game Friday night to register decisive 7-1 and 9-2 victories Saturday and Sunday.

The final game of the Eastern Canadian championships was a close match and Cap Pele played a solid, hard-skating game and came close to putting the fourth game into overtime.

Overall, the Georgetown team looked overpowering in the series from both a defensive and offensive standpoint.

A solid team effort by the Raiders which saw the defensive unit of Steve Lyon, John Winder, Jack Smith and John Saunders play exceptional, almost flawless hockey, gave the locals the advantage in the playoffs.

The Raiders now go on to meet the reigning Western Canadian champions from Quesnel, B.C. a small town located 50 miles south of Prince George.



*Pot of gold
 Hardy Cup
 is within sight*

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A rather anti-climatic, euphoric feeling seemed to envelop the confines of Gordon Alcott arena after the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders outmaneuvered their Cap Pele opponents last Monday night.

The 3-2 victory, on Gary McFadyen's backhand shot past Capital goalie Ives Belanger, gave the Raiders the Eastern Canadian Intermediate A championship.

The Hardy Cup dream, so talked about in the past, has finally become a reality for all executive members, players and diehard fans.

For the executive and the players it is the culmination of hard work and desire which started perhaps four seasons ago when Georgetown were forced to regroup after losing the Eastern Canadian championships to Campbellton, New Brunswick.

The Hardy Cup dream used to be so far away, but the distance now is right under the team's collective nose.

Timinins helped by bringing the physical game out in the open for Georgetown, the Raider GM says, "but I was surprised at how physically tough the Raiders were (in the subsequent series)."

The turning point against Cap Pele really came in the first game when Georgetown were down 3-0 until the last 10 minutes of the third period, Kenner says.

Goals by Gary Ford and Gary McFadyen gave the Raiders a definite psychological advantage in that they realized the seemingly unbeatable Belanger could be beaten.

Georgetown outshot Cap Pele in that first game 28-18 and could have easily won had it not been for the talented Capital goaltender.

Raider veteran and former Captain of the team, Ray Tonelli thought the difference in the series between the two teams was the Georgetown defence. Jack Smith paired with John Winder, and Steve Lyon with John Saunders, proved tough to beat throughout the four games.

It was with the hustle of players like Gary McFadyen, Scott McKenzie, John Cook who powered their way past Cap Pele defenders last Monday night that made the difference on offence, Tonelli says.

Coach Gerry Inglis also made the difference with the way he matched lines, Tonelli says.

Captain Steve Lyon said he and his defensive corps were wary in the series about not getting caught after spending almost the whole season free-wheeling at will against some of the local weaker teams. When you play against a poor club, you tend to get bored staying back, Lyon says.

The defence were tested, and they proved worthy of

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Floodgates open after the first game



Two superb goaltenders congratulate each other after game three: Wayne Wood (number 33) and Ives Belanger.

In game two of the Eastern Canadian championships against Cap Pele, the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders found their shots hitting the mark as they dominated in the third period for a final 7-1 victory.

Goaltender from Cap Pele, Ives Belanger proved fallible in the game and was eventually taken out of the game by Capital coach Jacques Allard. With the Raiders leading 5-1 mid-way through the third period, Jean Brousseau made his debut in goal for Cap Pele, but he was beaten for two goals.

In the most penalty-filled encounter of the series, the Capitals tried to slow down the Georgetown team with a physical hockey game, but penalties hurt them on the scoresheet. The Raiders connected for three power play goals in the game.

Over the course of the series, Georgetown shored up any doubt that their power play wasn't a potential threat every time they stepped on the ice.

The Raiders opened the scoring in the first period when Steve Lyon connected on a shot assisted by Hamilton and Doug Fry two minutes

into the game.

TIED GAME
 Cap Pele tied the game on a power play drive with five minutes left in the period for their only score of the game.

Juri Kudrasovs for the Raiders scored on a power play early in the second period from Steve Lyon and Ray Tonelli. With six minutes left in the period Joe Ens made the score 3-1 on a shot assisted by Fry and Ron Twiss.

John Cook put the Raiders ahead by another goal on a power play on passes from Gary McFadyen and Gary Landry.

Mid-way through the period Ray Tonelli popped a goal assisted by Hamilton and Gary Ford for a 5-1 lead.

Gary Landry and Scott McKenzie beat backup goaltender Jean Brousseau with their goals coming in the last three minutes of the game.

GAME THREE
 The Raiders dominated the play as in the night before to win the third game of their series with Cap Pele Sunday night 9-2.

In the first period the Raiders had some good scoring chances, but it took some

hustle behind the Cap Pele net to give Georgetown their first goal when Doug Fry scored from the slot off a pass from Bill Hamilton.

John Cook netted the second Raider goal for a 2-0 first period lead off a pass from Scott McKenzie and Ray Tonelli.

The Georgetown squad went ahead 6-0 in the second period when Joe Ens did some fancy footwork under heavy backchecking to slap a puck past Belanger.

Newcomer Doug Fry scored with a shot just inside the blueline when he was left uncovered with no screen on the Cap Pele goalie.

A nice rush by Ron Twiss for a breakaway resulted in a 5-0 score when he was set up by defenceman John Winder.

A power play shot by Ray Tonelli paid off for a goal at the 13:53 mark of the period.

Two goals by Scott McKenzie and a single by Ron Twiss put Georgetown ahead 9-2. A speedy forward from Cap Pele deked past Raider defenders for both of the Capitals goals in the third period.



RICK KESSELL
 ...Second veteran to suffer knee injury.

Quesnel Kangaroos defeated the Winnipeg North End Flyers three games to one in their series for the Western championship.

Georgetown will now face the Kangaroos in the best of five series starting this Friday at Gordon Alcott arena for the Hardy Cup Canadian Intermediate A championship.

KESSELL HURT
 The Raiders hockey club advanced to the Hardy Cup past Cap Pele without two of their starting forwards, assistant coach Peter Sturgeon and centre Rick Kessell who were injured with knee ailments.

Sturgeon was injured in the

Industrial crown to Norval

Norval's Hollywood Tavern hockey team captured the Georgetown Industrial crown by defeating De Boer's Movers after four games in the best three of five playoff finals.

At Gordon Alcott arena last Sunday morning, the Tavern team outskated De Boer's Movers to a 7-3 final to take the Industrial championship, a title Hollywood also won last year.

De Boer's won the first game 5-2, but were subsequently outmaneuvered in other game scores of 4-1 and 4-1 last week.

Norval's Brian Beaumont and Ian Syme had a good series and a good playoff record as Beaumont collected 21 points in 10 games while Syme had 18 points. De Boer's Doug Barnes tied Ian Syme for second place in playoff total points with 18.

Monday April 5 saw Hollywood Tavern take De Boer's Movers for a 4-1 upheaval. Larry Peterson for Norval and Doug Barnes for De Boer's traded goals in the first period, but Hollywood dominated the scoresheet for the rest of the game.

The only goal of the second period was scored by Norval's Dave Holmes on an unassisted drive coming at the 15:40 mark.

In the last 10 minutes of

play teammates Brian Beaumont and Randy Robbins scored for Hollywood Tavern.

Thursday April 8 the Hollywood Tavern team skated to an identical 4-1 win against De Boer's.

Three unanswered goals by Norval, two of them off the stick of Brian Beaumont, the other by Ian Syme, gave Norval a 3-1 lead at the end of the first period.

In the second period Terry Turner got his De Boer's Movers team on the scoreboard. But then Brian Beaumont scored again assisted by Mike Richmond for his hat trick at the 14:46 mark for a 4-1 final score.

GAME FOUR
 In the first period Brian Beaumont scored at the 6:28 mark from Dave Holmes and Randy Robbins to give Norval a 1-0 lead.

In the second period Ray Peacock tied the score on a goal for De Boer's assisted by Pete Fendley and Paul Allison.

Hollywood then countered with two goals, the first from Bruce McPhail from Randy Robbins and Bob Inglis. Larry Peterson gave Norval a 3-1 lead when his shot scored assisted by Brian Beaumont and Dave Holmes.

Meryl Hache narrowed the advantage when he scored

for De Boer's in the third period assisted by Marty Weaven and Tony Glaninl.

Hollywood then got a goal from Larry Peterson from Bruce McPhail. Paul Martin gave Norval a 5-2 lead on a

goal assisted by Bob Landry and Mike Richmond.

Doug Pemberton then scored at the 11:26 mark of the third period for De Boer's Movers. Ian Syme for Norval then finished off the game

with two goals, the first from Dave Holmes and Brad Butterworth while Butterworth and Bruce McPhail assisted on the second goal at the 17:10 mark of the contest.

Lorito MVP at Timmy

The culmination of an exciting hockey season for the Georgetown Rep Minor Atoms ended last Saturday afternoon at Maple Leaf Gardens when they faced off against Kingston for the A series championships.



In the 27th annual Timmy Tyke tournament in which proceeds went towards the Easter Seal Society, Georgetown beat North York 3-2, Oshawa 4-3 and Hillcrest 5-1.

The locals lost only against two teams they played in the 64-team tournament as they were downed 4-1 by Hamilton and 4-3 in

Saturday's game against Kingston.

Standout centreman for Georgetown, Mark Lorito, won the tournament's Most Valuable Player award as he nearly averaged two goals per game in the series.

In the final A championship, he scored the first two goals, one of them on a rink-long rush, the other on passes from Trevor Snow and Joel Burton. Andy Pearce scored the other Georgetown goal in the third period from Roddy Pasna.

In winning the MVP award called the Bunny Morganson trophy, Mark Lorito joins select company as Brad Park of the Boston Bruins won the first tournament MVP in 1956.

In their 28 game schedule, Mark scored over 50 goals, said manager Jack Barnes.

In the Kingston game, the team felt they outplayed their opponents, but Georgetown were faced with putting the puck past a stubborn goaltender.

Georgetown took a 2-1 lead after the first period, but Kingston tied the game by the end of the second period. Kingston scored two goals in the third period and Georgetown scored once.

Playing for a crowd of about 1,500 people, the Georgetown squad played a close game against Kingston, spurred on by

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EAGLES LANDING

Pete Rembish for the Eagles Junior club looks happy to be starting spring training. The newly formed club are heading into the season with a good attitude. See page B7.