



GUY CORMIER

Broken promises: Guy tries to forget 1981-2

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As part of the youthful Kid Line of Glen Murray and Steve Bronzewski, Guy Cormier has become an example of what youth, speed and desire can do for the "new look" Raiders of the 1982-83 season.

Called "Lafleur" by some of his Raider teammates because of a same first name and a similar skating likeness to the NHL great, the Montreal born Cormier came to town to "prove that I could crack the Raiders lineup."

With that sole intention in mind, Guy Cormier played his first game of the season for the Raiders with blood poisoning in his system.

Ten games later Cormier has looked impressive collecting 22 points to lead the league in the scoring leadership race.

But it hasn't always been easy for Guy in his hockey career - especially last year when he played under a considerable amount of mental anguish. His coach had taken the fun out of hockey for him and it led to a stressful season.

TOP SCORER

Guy Cormier played last year for the Georgetown Junior B Geminis and he completed the season as their top scorer with 45 points in 34 games.

But he was drawn to the club under false pretenses, lured away from a chance to finish his junior eligibility

with a Junior A club.

Without the knowledge of the Gemini executive and general manager, coach Dave Switzer promised Guy a chance to play in Finland during the 1982-83 season.

The only catch, Switzer said, was that Guy had to play until mid-October with the Geminis. Switzer told Cormier the European scouts were watching every game which added pressure to his play.

To compound the pressure, Switzer sometimes blamed Guy's performance for when the team as a whole didn't produce on the ice.

Switzer kept telling Guy that arrangements in Finland had been all set, but nothing in fact had been

arranged.

DEPARTED

The Gemini coach departed company with Georgetown in early November leaving Guy with a broken promise. From then on it was hard for Cormier to mentally prepare himself for the rest of the Gemini season.

Guy is still hoping to eventually play European hockey because he would love to travel there. He has a number of travel books on the country that he has never seen.

One thing the Raiders have provided is the chance to play on a winner and the opportunity to enjoy hockey again.

Guy was born in Montreal to a father who was a professional wrestler

for 16 years. His father is now a hockey scout for the Kingston Canadiens in the Kitchener area.

The Cormier family moved from Montreal to Windsor where Guy played all his minor hockey. In Midget, he was drafted by Cornwall during the 1977-78 hockey season, but he was injured and released.

HIGHLIGHTS

One of Guy's hockey highlights comes from scoring two goals in an exhibition match when Cornwall played Ottawa at Civic Stadium in Ottawa.

That season he went back home to Windsor to play Junior B. The next year Guy advanced to the Guelph Platters, then he spent two seasons

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GDHS captures fifth OFSAA title

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For the fifth consecutive year, the Georgetown High School Rebel cross country team has proven that it is the best overall school team in the province.

At the Ontario Federation of Schools Athletic Association (OFSAA) championships this past Saturday at Earl Bales Park in North York, the Rebels won the top overall girls and overall boys team titles, and thus were the unofficial overall team champions.

The coaches said it was the coldest OFSAA meet they could recall. Parts of all courses were run up and down steep, muddy ski slopes.

Of the six divisions, Georgetown claimed gold medals in one division, and silver medals in two other divisions. This is the sixth straight year for Georgetown to have at least one team win at the provincials.

The three remaining Rebel teams all placed in the top fourteen.

There were approximately 36 teams in each division, as well as individual qualifiers. Hence, each race contained about 200 of some of the best runners in the province, since all teams and individual runners must first qualify to make it to the Ontario finals.

Some 450 teams were eliminated as they did not qualify to the championship.

MIDGET GIRLS WIN
In an exciting victory,

the midget girls took home the gold medals for Georgetown scoring 127 points, narrowly edging out former rivals from O'Neill, who were only three points behind. The course was 3250 metres in length and there were 220 competitors in the race.

Amy Powers ran superbly, leading the way for Georgetown with an excellent fifth place finish. Nancy Mustard also ran well, placing a strong tenth.

Also contributing toward the victory were Anne Coulligan in 54th and Sandy Heaton in 58th position.

Linda Wenham had a fantastic race, finishing 69th. Powers, incidentally, being a first year midget, is still eligible to compete as a midget again next year.

The junior girls, consisting of one second year junior, three first year juniors and a first year midget did well against extreme competition, finishing eleventh overall in the 36-team event.

In the race featuring 216 competitors, Lynn Macphail placed a solid seventh.

Fiona Heaton was the next Rebel runner to cross the line, in 69th position. Shawn Langdon claimed 110th spot and first year midget Laura Groskorth, who ran against participants two years older than herself did extremely well, finishing 117th.

Karen Pepper completed

the race, taking 137th position. The race was 3800 metres long.

SENIOR GIRLS

The Rebel senior girls took second place in the standings with a score of 168, 61 points behind the winners from Thornlea who totalled 107 points.

Georgetown was led by Sandra Marciniuk's 24th place finish. Susan Kristensen came in two positions behind for 26th position. Kim Newcombe ran to 51st position and Debbie Newman finished 67th. Jen Pepper, in her first year of cross country, let alone her first OFSAA, did very well, finishing 75th.

There were 195 participants running the 5000 metre (3.1 mile) course.

MIDGET BOYS

The midget boys also took home silver medals for Georgetown, being edged out of a win and taking second place, scoring 112 points.

The winning team, E.S. Theriault, was only one point ahead totalling 111 points. The Georgetown team did well by coming so close however, as they were not as close to this winning team at earlier meets in the season.

Coach Metcalfe commented that the near win will make the team that much more determined to try even harder for the gold medals next year.

Mike Wood was the first Rebel runner to cross the line in the race of 220 competitors, placing 17th. Pat Braund completed

the 5000 metre course in 20th position. Darren Boudreau and Greg Mackenzie (both of whom are first year midgets), had excellent races.

Boudreau was 37th, while Mackenzie finished 38th. Norm Macphail, also a first year midget, ran well, taking 132nd position. The latter three runners will still be able to compete next year as

midgets.

TROUBLE

The Georgetown junior boys team ran into some trouble in their competitive division, but even without their top runner, managed 12th place in the standings.

Erik Hopkins, who placed second at OFSAA last year in the midget division, was forced to retire

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Debbie Newman competes in the senior race for Georgetown at the OFSAA finals Saturday.



The Earl Bales Park in North York pitted senior runners against four challenging hills more suitable for downhill skiers. Here Stacey Wheeler and

Harald Bransch test their skills on the first hill of their five-mile run. (Herald photo)

Greeks win football crown

By TIM TOLTON
Herald Special

Until Rob Rivers picked off a Dairy Queen pass in his end zone to wipe out a sure scoring drive Sunday, the Greeks Tavern looked like a rabbit caught in the glare of headlights, playing tentatively and nervous football.

But from that point early in the third quarter of the GFFL championship their enthusiasm

spread like a social disease and doing what comes naturally, they pulled away to a 44-14 win and their first championship.

Prior to that it had been Dairy Queen's defense and Gary Lockwood who had set the stage for an upset as Lockwood had a first quarter interception and returned a kickoff 85 yards for a TD.

Greeks scored on their first series but only after a DQ defender bobbed an interception into the hands of Wayne Stauslis who hauled it 40 yards for the score.

MARCHING

DQ got that one right back marching 75 yards under Hal Hulme who hit Stu Lunn for six. Lunn typified the grit with which DQ played,

playing with a broken bone in his leg.

Gary Lockwood's interception shut down the Greeks on the next series, then after Mark Russell had scored for Greek's, Lockwood smoked the specialty team for the 85 yard score.

SCORED AGAIN

Russell scored again

before the half but Greek quarterback Rick Baldwin wasn't throwing well and seemed rattled by the pressure of Howie Hulme's rushes.

Hal Hulme had Dairy Queen moving again to start the third quarter when Rivers turned the game around with his big interception.

Two splendid catches by Pat Jacobs and one by Linus Stauslis seemed to

boost Baldwin's confidence and he started playing hardball.

Once the Greek offense got Rick started the sound of Don Meredith singing "Turn on the lights, party's over..." could be heard drifting from the broadcast booth.

With the jitters all gone they flexed their muscles and overwhelmed DQ.

Any hopes Dairy Queen had of coming back were snuffed by a Greek defense that sensed the kill. J.T. Baldwin, Dan Reynolds and Dean Scallen picked off DQ passes to earn a shutout in the second half.

TDPASSES

Rick Baldwin threw touchdown passes to James Allen, Linus Stauslis and Paul Karolitis in that last half.

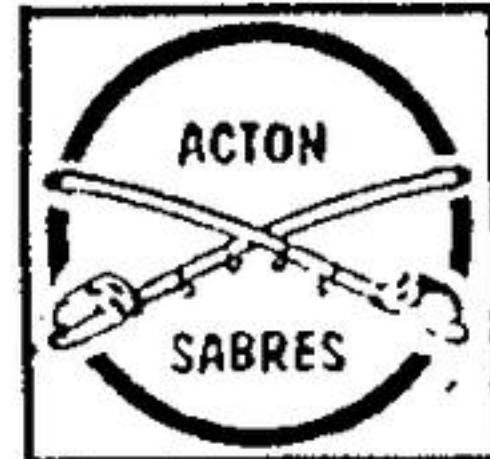
Also scoring for the Greeks were Paul Wilson, Allen and Linus Stauslis with two point conversions.

Jeff Lockwood converted both Dairy Queen majors.

So with Sports Illustrated clamouring for interviews, the Greeks carted off their trophy to fill it with suds. While the rest of the league set about figuring out how to beat them next year.

It was a thoroughly impressive season for the Tavern as they led the league from start to finish and dropped only three games along the way.

The future looks even better for a young team with all that talent but the second time around will be harder because now they're the team everybody will be gunning for.



Sabre report

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Acton Sabres lose 'battle of the Hills'

In game action last week the Acton Junior B Sabres lost to the Barrie Colts 12-3 in Barrie Friday night and in the second battle of the Hills they lost to the Georgetown Geminis 4-2 in Acton Saturday night.

Geminis president Bob McCandless said the referee was calling the game too tightly and didn't let the players play the game.

He also said the Geminis won because they tried a little harder in the third period and their experience caught up with the Acton Sabres.

Sabres coach Bill Richmond said both teams played a great game and either team could have won it but the Sabres came up on the short end.

In the first period the teams played to a scoreless tie in a very physical game with a wide open style. Both goalies played well. During the period the Sabres made some sloppy passes but Georgetown failed to capitalize on them. The Acton Sabres took 16 minutes in penalties and Georgetown took 14 minutes.

The second period was similar to the first as the teams spent most of the time in the penalty box. The second period also ended in a scoreless tie as the goalies stood their ground once again.

In the third period the Geminis broke the scoreless tie, scoring two quick goals, the first by Bob Davey from Mike Doucette, the second one coming off the stick of Lance Doucette on a pass from Murry Levy on the power play.

The Acton squad scored with one of their own by Art Keating assisted by Mark Symes and Mike Yellowica.

Mike Steer, the Geminis goalie, kept the Sabres up until the Sabres scored a power play goal seven minutes later on Art Keating's second goal of the night on a pass from

Roy Spear. That was all the Swordsman could do as Georgetown scored two more in the last three minutes of the game, the first one on the power play by Blake Harrison unassisted, the second one was scored by Bob Davey, his second of the night from Chris Peavoy.

The three stars for Georgetown were Herb Kewley, Mike Doucette and Mike Hamilton. For Acton they were Rob Ruffino, Pat Bates and Denis Kirton.

The three stars are going to be used to pick the Miracle Mart all-star team.

The next Sabres home game is Wednesday (tonight) against Streetsville. They tackle the Oakville Blades on Saturday also at home. Both games start at 8:30.

Rivals square off

In an exhibition game Georgetown High School's senior boys' basketball team defeated Acton 42-37.

"The starting five played extremely well, controlling the backboards and scoring points," said Rebel coach Mr. Peden. "During the second half the bench strength proved to be strong enough to stay ahead of Acton," he said.



Greeks won the 1982 flag football championships Sunday against Dairy Queen in a come from behind win. Here the offensive unit line up (left to right) Wayne Stauslis, Rick Baldwin, Steve Peace, while Linus Stauslis gets ready to hup the ball. Bill Rivers was the Greeks' player of the game. For Dairy Queen it was Gary Lockwood. (Photo by Harald Bransch)