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We can't shake Collingwood
Raiders split games with Shipbuilders



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Stepping down

The Acton Junior B Sabres have asked Glenn Murray, a former player for the team, to take over the coaching spot for the rest of the season.

Former coach Bill Richmond relinquishes his post for the next four games of the regular season. Murray, now skating with the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders, says he has seen the Sabres play about six times this season.

In his first game behind the bench the Acton Swordsmen were defeated 4-2 against Milton but the Steamers were outshot by Acton 46-26.

Murray felt the youth of the club this season has been a contributing factor to how the team has done in 1982-83. He says there are only three players over the age of 19 years.

The younger players still have a lot to learn about junior hockey, the new Acton coach says. In the next two weeks Murray says he would like to see the team play more aggressive hockey and see an improvement in their desire.

"If they play as a team they can make it competitive in the playoffs," he says.

The playoff structure is such that Acton will play one of the top four teams in the Central League. The first round is a best of seven.

Nicknamed "Motor", Murray says he used to coach minor hockey, but this is his first try at the Junior B level.



BILL RICHMOND GLENN MURRAY

Former coach Bill Richmond said if he were to start the 1982-83 season again he would probably try and teach more basics and not adapt a sophisticated system right away.

His Oakville juvenile team Richmond coached had triple A experience and thus they were more adept to know more at an early age, he said.

Richmond said the Acton Sabres did eventually respond and they did improve by the end of the season. The decision to make a coaching change was in an effort to "shake things up", the former Acton coach said.

It became evident by early January, that with four returning players, two of them juveniles, the team wouldn't be competitive, Richmond said.

The team had the option of using money to buy some quality imports or take their lumps with local boys, he said.

A Jan. 7 meeting gave him a unanimous vote of confidence from the executive, Richmond said.

Later, a member of the executive decided the team should base their philosophy around winning more games, he said.

The team has 24 eligible local players for next year's Acton Sabres, so for the 1983-84 season the next coach will have a sound criteria to work with, he said.

Richmond will stay on as general manager, a post that he has assumed for most of the 1982-83 season because of the ailments of regular GM Brian Harrop.

Richmond said he won't be back next year in Junior B hockey because he's had better offers for a higher calibre of hockey.

Fans await decision

It's decision making time for the Hockey Heritage Committee in preparation for the annual hockey dinner saluting a devoted member of the hockey community.

Monday March 7 is the date for the Heritage banquet. The location has changed to the Gordon Alcott Hall so less tickets will be available.

Brian McFarlane, a well-known sports broadcaster and writer will be the guest speaker for the Heritage dinner.



Dave Kentner (left) now shares his responsibilities as Hockey Heritage chairman with Bill Anderson.

The decision in picking a deserving candidate will not be easy because of the long list of suitable people.

The 1983 nomination list has grown to include Walter Bianchi, Bob Hooper, Wilfred Brownlow, Jessie Hayes, Reverend Len Self, Bob Tost and the Kinsmen club.

The other 20 candidates previously selected and who will again be considered for the 1983 candidate are: Harry Levy, Ann McMenemy, Bill Richmond, Joe Pentecost, Dave Kentner, Ken McMillan, Dave Osborne, Zeke McCandless, Ted King, Roy Ward, Bob Lane, Gordon Alcott, Arena Staff, Herb Arnold, Frank Connelly, Jim Yates, Jim Ford, Del Beaumont, Nick Ferri and Bill Flaher.

Two candidates wished to have their names withdrawn from the official list, Heritage Co-Chairman Dave Kentner said.

A 5-2 loss is avenged

The Georgetown Chrysler Raiders can't shake the Collingwood Shipbuilders from their grasp, in an effort to gain sole possession of first place in the Intermediate A hockey league.

The Raiders lost their chance for first place Friday night in a 5-2 loss to the Shipbuilders, then regained a foothold against Collingwood Saturday in a 9-3 win over their arch-rivals.

In Sunday's away game in Fort Elgin, the Raiders skated to a 7-4 victory to tie them with Collingwood for first place - each with 46 points.

Saturday night's game was a convincing, overpowering victory for Georgetown and it gave player-coach Gary Ford the opportunity to sit out most of the game and smile at the play of his team. He still scored two goals in the game.

"We did what we wanted to do," he said. "It was solid hockey with no real weak spots," he said.

Up for the Saturday contest were two Junior B players from the Gemini. Forwards Bob Dean and Lance Doucette never looked out of place during the night. Bob Dean took a regular turn playing defence to fill in for the club's shortage in that position.

LYONS SLIM
With two player cards left to fill, Ford said the team could still use another defenceman, but the chances of attaining

former captain and Peterborough Pete Steve Lyons is slim.

The loss to Collingwood Friday night could have been averted if the Raiders had two more players, coach Ford said. "We went up to Collingwood with only a third of our players," he said.

When Collingwood are pressured, they quit, Ford said. In the Friday game Georgetown went ahead 2-1, then the Raiders ran out of steam, he said.

Saturday night it was Bill Gerrie who made the difference for Georgetown, the Raider coach said.

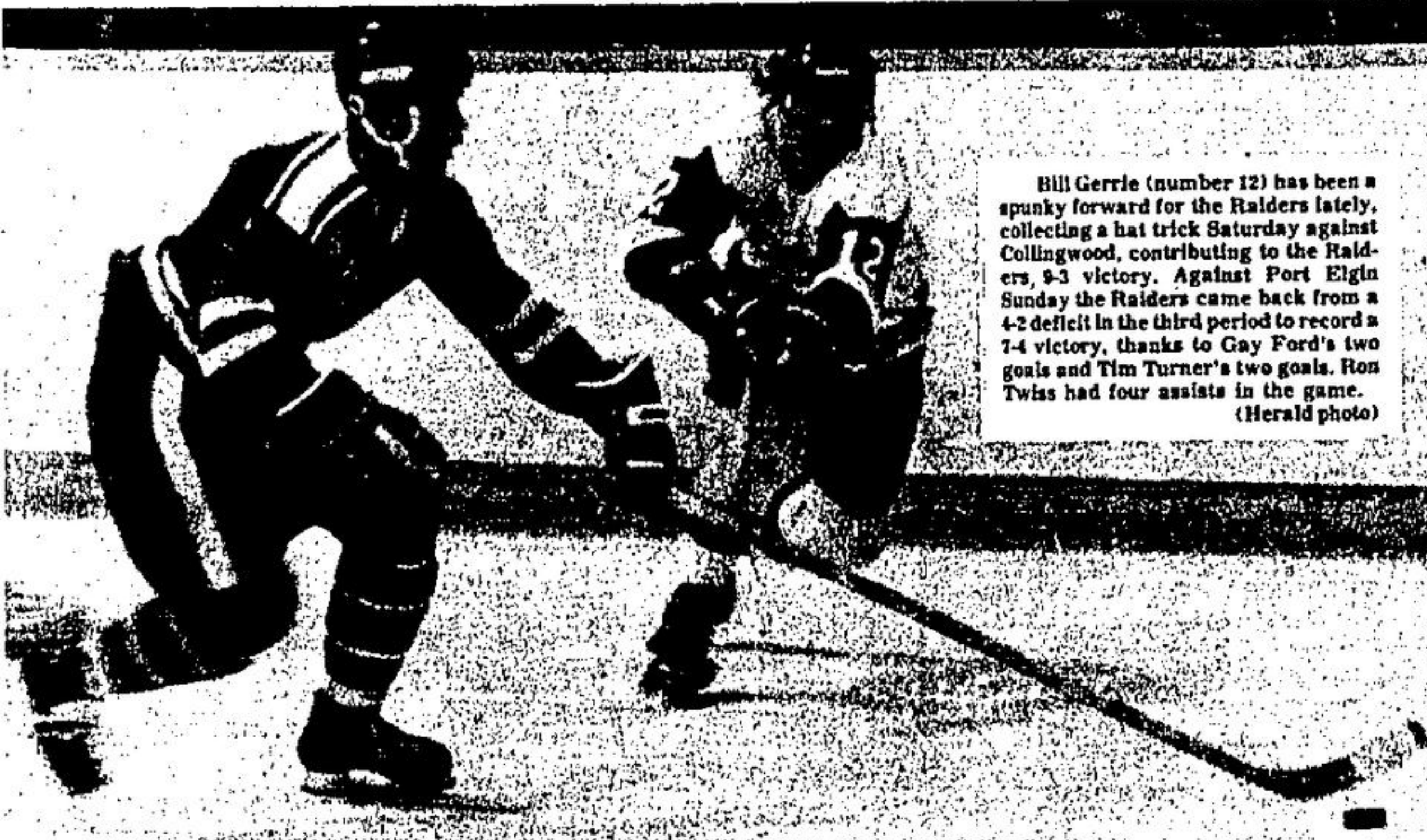
GERRIE'S FIRST
Gerrie had one goal in the Friday game with Collingwood, then he came back with a three goal performance against the Shipbuilders at home.

In the Friday game Gerrie and Guy Cormier scored the lone Raider goals while both were assisted by mainstay centre Tim Ampleford.

The Raiders passed the puck well in their victory over Collingwood at home. In the first period Georgetown dominated the play but couldn't capitalize on their scoring chances.

Collingwood's Tim Colley scored first at the mid-way mark on a goal shot while he was sliding towards Raider goaltender Brad Miller from 10 feet away.

Three minutes later Doug Fry scored on a



Bill Gerrie (number 12) has been a spunky forward for the Raiders lately, collecting a hat trick Saturday against Collingwood, contributing to the Raiders, 9-3 victory. Against Port Elgin Sunday the Raiders came back from a 4-2 deficit in the third period to record a 7-4 victory, thanks to Gay Ford's two goals and Tim Turner's two goals. Ron Twiss had four assists in the game. (Herald photo)

similar play when he skated around a Collingwood defender on a great singlehanded effort, was pulled down, but he somehow managed to slide the puck past Harry Van Bilson to tie the game at 1-1.

In the second period the Raiders came out fired up and their hustle provided Gary Ford with a power play goal as a pass from Tim Ampleford and Malcolm Anthony set the Georgetown coach up perfectly in front on Collingwood's net.

Collingwood retaliated

to tie the Raiders at 2-2. Bill Gerrie then contributed his first of three goals by flipping his shot over Van Bilson from 15 feet.

The shot which Gerrie held 'til the last second, came from a rebound.

Gary Ford then deked a fallen defenceman and let go a wrist shot for a goal assisted by Tim Ampleford and John Saunders.

Bill Gerrie took Ford's example and did his own thread the needle "deke and shoot" from the slot for a 4-2 lead.

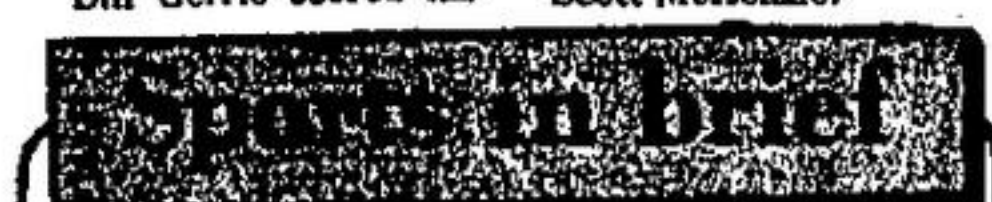
The scoring ended in the second period after Doug Fry's goal where he took a pass from Guy Cormier and then skated around the net and stuffed the puck behind Van Bilson.

Collingwood came back in the third period. A well-deserved goal was scored by Shipbuilder defenceman Mike Green.

Tim Turner hustled all night and finally it paid off with a 40 foot goal on a shot from a bad angle, assisted by Tim Ampleford.

when Guy Cormier put one in from in front of the net assisted by Doug Fry and Scott McKenzie.

hat trick when he scored from a 30 foot shot after rushing up the ice assisted by John Saunders and Scott McKenzie.



Lost and found

Contrary to rumors, Raider forward Gary McFadyen is back in Georgetown and not a member of Utica's professional hockey team.

When the Georgetown native went down on holidays to visit fellow Georgetowner Dick Popell, who is currently injured, the Utica coach asked Gary to stay and play some games for the team.

McFadyen was there during the weekend and missed last week's games with the Raiders but he was home Monday night working late at his store, M and M Pro Sports, which he co-owns.

Broomball league

A new broomball league will be starting Thursday, Feb. 3. About 23 people met with the Recreation Department to outline the game format and schedule.

The two Georgetown Fairground outdoor ice rinks will be utilized, taking advantage of the baseball diamond lights. Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. was chosen as the most convenient time to play.

The league is set up in a co-ed format, meaning that at least two girls must be on the ice at any given time.

Games will consist of 2-20 minute periods and players must bring their own brooms. Referees are still required but in the interim, some of the league founders have offered their services.

The league members stress that at the first game everyone is welcome to bring interested friends to increase the participation in the league. Questions? Call Eva Carney at 877-5185 ext. 61.

DRG Juveniles

Georgetown West Insurance and DRG Stationery Juveniles ended the regular season with two victories.

In Burlington on Jan. 24 after a scoreless first period Kevin Phillips, Kevin Hackett and Bob Morrow scored in the second, Bob Morrow added another in the third to give them a 4-3 win.

At home on Thursday night after a scoreless first period Mark Palmer, Kevin Hackett, Mike Stone and Bob Morrow scored in the second with Morrow, Stone and Kevin Phillips scoring in the third to give the Juveniles a 7-3 victory over Streetville.

They will now wait for the winners of the Milton-Dundas series before starting the playoffs this weekend.

Colorful Cherry

Tickets are still available to see the colorful Don Cherry, former NHL coach to both the Boston Bruins and the Colorado Rockies. Cherry will be guest speaker at the Gemini's Celebrity Night dinner.

The dinner, scheduled for Friday Feb. 11, will also feature former NHL referee John McCauley who lives in Georgetown.

With the Boston Bruins Cherry had a 231-150-64 win, loss, tied record over a five-year-span.

In 1979 Cherry started with the Colorado Rockies as their coach. He then moved on and became coach of Team Canada at the World Championships in Sweden in 1981.

Cherry is now a color commentator on Hockey Night in Canada and Wednesday nights he is host of a Sports Variety Show called "Grapes Place".

One biography described Cherry this way, "By far the most colorful and candid coach in the NHL and maybe all sports. Cherry's wardrobe and his pit bull terrier "Blue" have gained him attention from all corners of North America."

Tickets for the dinner, which cost \$25, are available from Harvey's Firestone or from a member of the Georgetown Junior B Executive.

Gems edged by a 'hot' Steamer

The Georgetown Junior B Gems were downed 8-4 by Burlington Cougars Friday night, then they hosted Milton Sunday and were edged out by a hot Steamer goaltender 4-2.

Paulo Zullian was the key to Milton's victory over Georgetown, coach Jules Russiani said afterwards. But in Friday's setback, the Georgetown mentor could only admit that nothing went right in challenging Burlington.



The Gems had the advantage in the Milton game, but they became overanxious when down 3-0, Russiani said.

Georgetown beat Milton on the last time they played them, but a few defensive lapses cost the Gems dearly. The Steamers scored their fourth goal into an empty net when Mike Steer was pulled in favor of an extra attacker.

Herb Kewley and Lance Doucette were lost to the Gems because of their fighting prowess, but players like Riv Kennedy and Bob Dean worked hard to take up the slack, Russiani said.

Bob Dean and Lance Doucette were both wearing Raider uniforms in Saturday's contest against Collingwood in Intermediate A action.

Both players did well, but with playoffs approaching it is doubtful they will see much action with the Raiders in the near future.

Meanwhile Chris Penoy is still out with a hurt ankle but he is expected back next week.

Jay Barwell has hurt in the Milton game and it is still not known what the extent of his injuries are.

Scoring for Georgetown in the Milton game were Mark Hamilton from Bob Dean and Mike Doucette.

The second goal was from Bill Bathgate assisted by Mark Hamilton



SWEEEPING UP A STORM

The North Halton Golf and country club rink was enveloped with curlers last week. The Mid-Winter Mixed bonspiel started last Monday night while the final draw was completed Saturday night. More pictures on page B5. (Herald photo)

Sabres joust with Milton

By DENNIS LAWRENCE
Herald Correspondent
In game action this past week the Acton Sabres took their first two defeats under their new coach Glenn Murray.

They lost 4-2 to Milton on Wednesday night and Friday they lost 6-2 to the Barrie Colts.

On Friday night when the Colts defeated the Sabres, penalties hurt

Acton as the Colts scored four of their goals on the power play.

In the first period the teams started out fast with good defence, by Acton.

The Colts struck first midway through the first period with two power play goals. The rest of the period was very close with lots of checking.

The second period also started out fast like the first and the Colts scored another power play goal midway through the period. Acton came back with a goal when Paul Cargill scored on a pass from Art Keating five minutes later. The Colts got another short handed goal in the last minute.

In the third period the Colts came out flying as

they scored two minutes into the period.

Acton got their second goal when Denis Kleron teamed up with Ken Franklin and Bob Boldt. The Barrie Colts scored one more goal to round off the game and to give them the 6-2 win.

Glenn Murray, the Sabres' coach, said the team played a good game but the penalties hurt them.

Glenn also said the defence was working better which will bring along the offence.

Paul Barrett of the Sabres is probably out for the rest of the year with torn ligaments in his left knee.

The Sabres' last home game is this Friday at 8 p.m. to Thornhill.

Ladies cage play

In Ladies basketball action Jan. 26, the Capricorns defeated the Centaurs 52-48 while the Trojans edged the Mustangs 39-34.

The Capricorns were led by the fine play of Corine Buisman who produced 18 points while teammate Anita Stankus found the mark for 12 points.

The Centaurs had a 16 point performance from Sam Reid while Karen Kearns contributed 12 points.

For the Trojans Leslie Ashton had a good game with 12 points. Sue Tesar also shot well for 10 points.

The Mustangs were paced by the 20 point performance of Wendy Forayth while Janice Gagne had six points.