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'Weekend of Champions' decides GMHA division titles

By GERRY TIMBERS
Herald Sports Editor
The best action of the day was saved for last, as the Junior Raiders upset the favored Twin Windows 5-3 in overtime to win the juvenile house league championship, and cap off the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association's 'Weekend of Champions'.

Bryan Kennedy added an insurance marker less than two minutes later when he walked out of the corner unmolested and fired a wicked wrist shot home. Shawn Dockery assisted on the play.
Andrew Hammer and Phillip Wickens had scored for Twin Windows as the regular-season champs built a 2-0 lead midway through the game.
Bruce Sheppard, Dave Wood and Rod Wilson came back with consecutive goals for the Raiders, as they took a 3-2 lead with less than five minutes remaining in regulation time.
Gary Slavin counted for Twin Windows to send the game into the 10-minute overtime session.

Junior Raiders 5
Twin Windows 3
Paul Dobson beat Twin Windows goaltender Fred Kendrick with the winning goal after just 1:15 of overtime in the thrilling juvenile finale.

Scoti Bank 3
Bowman's Truck 2
Tim Fleming scored all three goals, including the clincher with just 5:48 remaining in regulation time, to give Scoti Bank the GMHA midget title.
Fleming's first two goals had staked Scoti Bank to a 2-0 lead after two complete periods, but Bowman's came roaring back to tie it in the opening minutes of the third frame.
Niel Diaz set up Mark Millere for the first Bowman's goal 30 seconds into the period. Diaz connected less than two minutes later to even the score at 2-2. Waterbed Country 3 Millere TV 0

Alain Shields scored the only goal his team needed with just 2:25 left in the second period, from Terry Murphy and Bruce Juby, as Waterbed Country captured the GMHA bantam crown.
Murphy scored an insurance marker 30 seconds into the final frame, from Shields and Brad Williams. Shields' second of the night was an unassisted marker, coming with less than five minutes to play.

Barrager's Cleaners 2
Neil's Music Center 1
Andy Domingos scored twice to pace Barrager's Cleaners to the GMHA major peeeweewee championship. Shane Reid assisted on both goals.
Rod Morrissey counted the lone Neil's goal, from Andy Deruchie.
London Life 3
Baz Motors 1
David Bewley scored the winning goal at the 5:39 mark of overtime as London Life went on to win the GMHA minor peeeweewee title.
Mark Micklethwaite assisted on Bewley's winning marker. Micklethwaite had opened the scoring with just over a minute left in the second period, from Darren Danylyshen and Sid Spear, as London Life took a 1-0 lead.
Shannon Finn counted for Baz Motors at the 5:32 mark of the third period, from Scott Vande Valk and Ken Toyne, to send the game into overtime.
Steven Klein rounded out the scoring for London Life with a single second left in the overtime period. Bewley assisted on the play.
Chicken Villa 2
Kinsmen Club 1
Peter Gomez scored both Chicken Villa goals as they clinched the GMHA major atom championship.
Claude Johnston replicated for the Kinsmen, from Randy Barrett.
Thruway Mufflers 6
Curwood Packaging 3
Stephen Lacroix scored twice and assisted on two others to lead Thruway Mufflers to the GMHA minor atom title.
Ryan Kurnell was the other big gun for the champs, as he scored twice and set up Lacroix for the opening goal of the game. Shawn Curry

and Cameron Sproule were the other Thruway sharpshooters.
Brad Cuthbert had a goal and an assist for Curwood Packaging. Paul Gogan and Derek Ellard counted single markers for the minor atom finalists.
Young's Pharmacy 9
Lions Club 1
Jimmy Kavanaugh was a one-man wrecking crew for the GMHA novice champions, scoring six times.
Danny King counted twice for the winners, while assisting on two of Kavanaugh's markers. Mike Hancock had a goal and an assist for Young's.
Matt Deruchie scored the lone Lion goal.
Continental Service 6
Optimist Club 4
David Kotsos scored the final four goals, including two in the last five minutes, to lead Continental Service Center to the GMHA tyke championship.
Paul Sandifer scored the first of an eventual hat-trick, as the Optimists took a 1-0 first-period lead. Kevin Lumb connected from Scott Teeter and David Boere to up the count to 2-0 1:02 into the second frame.
Cory Young scored for Continental to close the gap to 2-1, and after Lumb's second of the day on behalf of the Optimists, Young found the range to close the gap to 3-2 and set the stage for Kotsos' third period explosion.
Rex Heslop and Josh Richardson both earned three assists for Continental Service Center.

Hockey hero replays big goal

Paul Henderson at church breakfast

By GERRY TIMBERS
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Canadian hockey hero Paul Henderson replayed his famous Canada-Russia series-winning goal of 1972 for about 100 eager listeners Saturday morning in Georgetown.
Henderson, who became a permanent part of Canadian history when he slid the puck under Soviet goaltender Vladislav Tretiak with 34 seconds remaining in the final game to give Canada a 6-5 victory, was the guest speaker at the Maple Avenue Baptist Church Men's Fellowship breakfast.



Neither Alan Cole, 11, or Jamie Higgins, 11, was around when Paul Henderson scored his famous goal in 1972, but the youngsters were eager to meet the Canadian hockey legend just the same. Henderson posed with the boys at the Maple Avenue Baptist Church Saturday morning, where he was the guest breakfast speaker.

An accomplished speaker, the 41-year-old former Toronto Maple Leaf star joked about his 18-year pro career, and his famous accomplishments as part of the original Team Canada, before delivering a serious message about the role Christianity has played in his life.

"I played pro hockey for about 18 years, and I'm known for one 10-second shift," Henderson joked about his heroic goal. "That doesn't say much for the rest of my career."
Henderson, who scored the winning goal in each of the final three games of that eight-game summit series, kidded the breakfast gathering that he could have scored the series-clinching goal at any time.

"I told Ron Ellis I would let him score the winner in the last game," Henderson said. "But when it got to the 19-minute mark of the third period, I decided I had best take matters into my own hands."

A long-time Leaf teammate, Ellis was well-known as a checking winger, while Henderson was a prolific scorer.
FATEFUL GOAL
Henderson told the gathering that fate had

played a role in his scoring that dramatic goal. Pete Mahovich jumped from the Team Canada bench with less than a minute left to play, when Henderson called him back.
Tired after his last

shift, Henderson has no idea to this day why he called Mahovich back. He told his audience that Mahovich has no idea why he let Henderson go on for him.
"That is the only time in my life I ever went

against the coach to get on the ice," Henderson said. "I really felt I could score, though."

EMPTY WORLD
Speaking on behalf of Athletes in Action, a group of Christian sports stars who spread the word of Christ, Henderson told the gathering that his world became an empty place after his heroics in the fall of '72.

"It was the most frustrating time of my life," he said. "Basically, I had accomplished everything I had set out to do. Still there was something missing. I would lie awake at night, feeling empty."
Henderson even had a funny story about his conversion to Christianity. He told the listeners about former hockey enforcer Bill Butters, who ridiculed Henderson about his new-found faith.

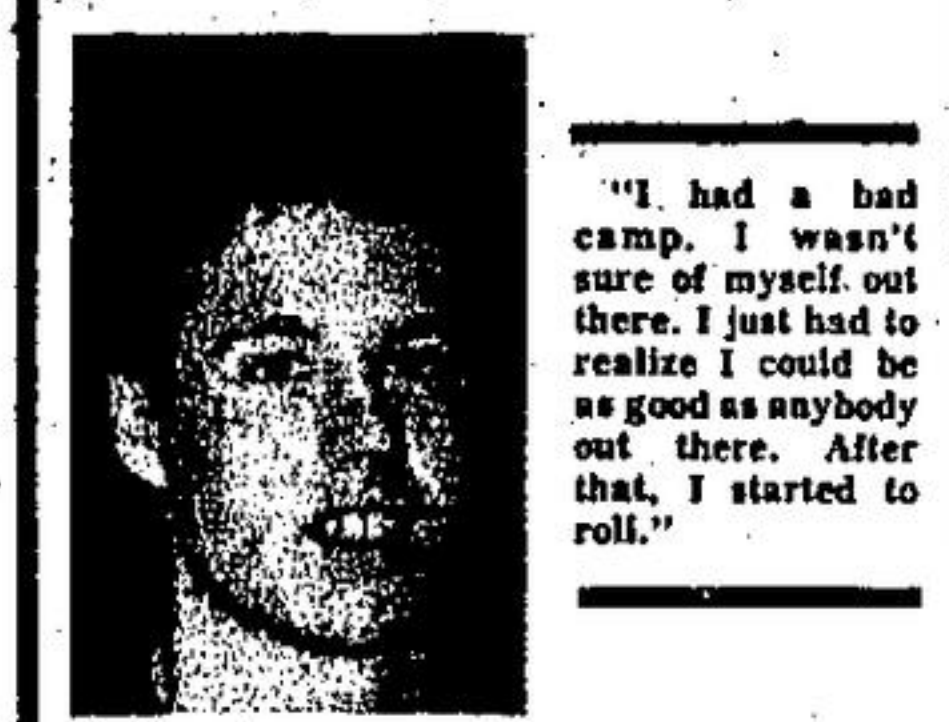
"He would yell, 'Look out for Henderson, he'll hit you with his bible, and I would want to spear him,'" Henderson said. "Finally, he was walled out of the league. I guess the Lord answers prayers."
Following the breakfast, Henderson told The Herald that Christianity would have made him a better hockey player, had he been born again early in his career.

PLAYING THE FIELD
GERRY TIMBERS
Herald Sports Editor

Big plans for Barwell

Everything is coming up roses for Jay Barwell.
The former Georgetown Gemini blueliner recently wrapped up his first season with the Quebec Platers of the Ontario Hockey League, a year that saw him blossom on a rookie-laden club that failed to qualify for the playoffs.
The 18-year-old GDHS student scored 15 goals from his point position, adding 25 assists to his totals to rank him among the top five scoring defencemen in the league. We probably would have heard a lot more about Barwell, if it weren't for some guy named Kirk Muller the Platers imported from Sarajevo in their unsuccessful bid to earn a playoff spot.
Muller will be gone next winter, a fat NHL contract in hand, leaving the spotlight open for Barwell. For the first time in 18 years, young Jay has the opportunity to slip out from the gigantic shadow imposed by his former football great father, Gord.

"It was always, Gord Barwell's son, and is used to drive me up the wall," Jay admits with a genuine grin. "Of course I want to be recognized for myself."
There can't be too many hard feelings towards dad Gord, one of the most efficient pass-catchers in CFL history. Jay plans to let the old man collect an agent's fee on what may turn out to be another one of those Muller-type contracts.



JAY BARWELL

To make that fee worthwhile, though, young Jay needs to have an excellent season. He knows he'll be picked in the upcoming June amateur draft, probably in the first three rounds, but he'll have to put the number up next winter if he wants to be anywhere near Muller's tax bracket.
"I'll be one of four 19-year-olds on the club this year, and I know they'll be looking to me for stability," Barwell said with a touch of maturity. "I know they are counting on me for 25 goals. There's no pressure, though, because I've always been an offensive defenceman. I think I can score 25 goals."

In fact, Barwell hopes to rack up 60 points, and qualify for the league all-star squad. Those goals are a far cry from the fall of '83, when the Platers tried to send him to their Tier II affiliate in Richmond Hill for seasoning.
"I had a bad camp. I wasn't sure of myself out there. I just had to realize I could be as good as anybody out there. After that, I started to roll."

His roll culminated in a record-setting period in Cornwall, when Barwell set an OHL record for the fastest three goals by a defenceman. The first two came 56 seconds apart; he had to wait another five minutes to complete the job.
Now Barwell plans to spend the summer lifting weights, shooting pucks in the family garage, and dreaming about which team will draft him.
His 'dream teams' are Philadelphia and Montreal, but more realistically, Barwell wants to go "somewhere where they need an offensive defenceman."
The short list would include Hartford, Los Angeles and, obviously, Toronto.
Do you read The Herald, Mr. Ballard? Perhaps the road to the playoffs runs through Guelph.

Will play 34-game, interlocking schedule

Jr. Eagles in new Halton loop

The Georgetown junior baseball Eagles will play a 34-game schedule in a new league this summer.
The Eagles, Ontario Baseball Association 'B' finalists last summer, will compete in the

newly-formed Halton County Junior Baseball League this season. The new loop includes two Hamilton-based teams, Burlington, Mississauga, Brampton Oakville and the Eagles.
The Eagles will play

24 games against Halton opponents, plus a 10-game interlocking schedule with Niagara District Junior 'B' clubs.
This year's home opener is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, with

the Eagles hosting Brampton. The locals travel to Mississauga the next day, then return home the following Sunday for a date with Hamilton Westmount.
Saturday home games will start at 7 p.m. this year, while Sunday games begin at 2 p.m. All games will be played at the Fairgrounds.

The creation of a Brampton team may cost the Eagles some key players. Last season, four key members were imported from down Highway 7.
Relief pitcher Mark Usher definitely won't

Track Rebels compete at small Toronto meet

The Georgetown District High School Rebel track and field team went to the University of Toronto's Field House on Saturday. It was a small meet with 12 schools competing.
"The competition was pretty slack," explained Rebel coach Donna Metcalf. "The meet was good practice for the kids, especially this time of the season. It was a nice relaxed meet. There wasn't much pressure so it was pretty enjoyable and gave the kids a chance to experiment with events they don't usually compete in."
Louis DePaoli placed first in the senior 60-

meter hurdles. Jody Barwell placed third in the girls competition.
Allison Irvine placed first in the senior 400-meter event followed by Sandra Heaton, who was third.
In the shot put, Rich Stacey placed third. Sue McLaren placed first in girls' long jump. Angie Mackey placed second in the 800-meter race. In the 1500-meter event Amy Powers placed first.
In the 200-meter relay, three Rebel teams finished in the top three.
Junior girls Sandy Heaton, Shannon Snyder, Jenni Gallagher and Sandy Rahn placed

second.
Senior girls Cindy Nurnaghan, Karen Pepper, Kathy Harris and Allison Irvine were first overall.
Junior boys Louis DePaoli, Dan Weisz, Jason Toome and Joe Wilkins finished second.
In the 3000-meter event several competitors placed high. Erik Hopkins and Shawn Langdon both placed first in their divisions. Linda Wentram placed second in her division followed by Amy Powers, who placed third.
The team will travel to St. Michael's in Toronto this Friday.

be back, already having notified Eagle manager Dan Gulstini of his intentions to stay in Brampton. Infielder Ralph Kelly is over age.
Hard-hitting catcher Larry Deighton attends school on the east coast, and will be contacted by the Eagles. Pitcher Chris Fabbri intends to return to Georgetown, providing Brampton officials give him his release. They have already said they will.

Raiders take GIHL crown

The Riviera Raiders captured the Georgetown Industrial Hockey League championship Monday night with a comeback victory over the M and M Pro Sports.
It appeared the regular-season champion Sports had staved off elimination and forced a fifth and deciding game when they scored three goals in the opening five minutes of the third period to blow open a 1-1 tie.
The Raiders did nothing until the final five minutes of the season, when they exploded for three goals in a furious rally. Doug Barnes sent the match into overtime when he tipped home a Doug Pemberton slap shot from the point.
Rugged winger Pete Fendley then settled the issue by deflecting a Terry Turner drive into

the net at the 2:24 mark of sudden-death overtime.
The teams had split two first-period goals. Brian McKenzie opened the scoring for M and M Pro Sports, with Ernie Schaump and Chuck Moffat earning assists.
Doug Barnes, with the first of four goals, evened the count at 1-1. Marty Weaven assisted on the play.
Schaump, Tom Davies and Bernie Beckett all scored in a space of 3:19 as the Pro Sports jumped out to a 4-1 lead early in the third period. Barnes notched his second while the Raiders were shorthanded, breaking in alone on a Pemberton pass. Less than two minutes later, Barnes completed his hat-trick with a power play marker. John Barnes and Weaven assisted on the play.

Caps cut Trojans as Cougars roar

The Capricorns downed the Trojans, 41-31, in a preview of the Georgetown Ladies Basketball League finals, Wednesday night at Centennial School.
Pat Nessitt scored a team-high 10 points to lead the Caps to victory. Janet Mackay had eight points for the winners, while Sylvia Oprica con-

tributed seven points.
Anita Stankus paced the Trojans with 12 points, while Janis Gagne downed eight.
The Caps and the Trojans will now meet in a best-of-three series to decide the league championship.
In other action, the Cougars downed the Mustangs, 50-43.

Carolyn Heron hit for 12 points to pace the Cougars, while Leslie Durham chipped in with 11 more. June Nicholson had nine points in a winning effort.
Corinne Bulsman and Lynn Cartwright both counted eight points to pace the Mustang attack. Herminia Henderson had seven

Sports in brief



TOM BALSILLIE TODD ELLIS

Local boys roll

A pair of Georgetown boys rolled to big victories at the fifth annual 'Sports On Wheels' games for the physically disabled at Scarborough's Variety Village on the weekend.
Todd Ellis and Tom Balsillie, both 10, competed as members of the Ontario Crippled Children's Center team at the games, which are put on by the University of Toronto physiotherapy department.
Ellis, who was competing at the games for the second year, rode his tricycle to firsts in the 200-meter, 400-meter and 60-meter events.
Balsillie, who has competed in all five games, won the novice wheelchair slalom event. He also won his heats in the 60-meter wheelchair sprint and 60-meter crutch-walk race. He was also a member of the wheelchair floor hockey team.
One hundred twenty youngsters, aged 4-18, competed at the games.

Jills compete

Four members of the Halton Hills Jills pre-competitive gymnastics squad competed at the Milton Springer Invitational Meet over the weekend.
Melanie Jans finished first in vaulting, and third in floor exercises, to lead the Jills.
Erica Williams managed a second in vaulting, while Jenni Crosby was third in the same event. Darby Erler also represented the Jills.
All four girls competed in the Cadet 'B' division.
The Jills will be hosting a similar meet May 6, at Georgetown District High School.

East Halton win

The Georgetown and District high school girls Rebel gymnastics team beat out six high schools to claim the East Halton Championships.
The Junior team, coached by Gail Eastwood placed first overall. Team members are Lisa Latchford, Julie Taylor, Jennifer Snyder, Rina Brousseau and Colleen Murphy. All the girls won ribbons on each event.
Jennifer Snyder placed first allround.
The Intermediate team, coached by Gail Cook, placed second overall. Team members and ribbon winners are Stephanie Kotani, Laura Grosskorth and Lynn Herrmann.
The Senior team placed first with Joanne D'Entremont, Lori Book and third place allround winner Lisa Graham.
In Elite 'B', Karen Herrmann came second allround, and Gail Cook third.
Elite 'A' competitor Gail Eastwood placed second allround.
The girls all qualified to the Halton finals on Wednesday in Oakville.