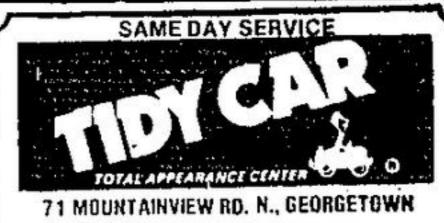


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Getting players top priority

Raiders name Gil Eyre to GM duties

The Georgetown Raiders of the Ontario Senior "A" Hockey League have announced the hiring of Gil Eyre as the team's new general

manager. Eyre will replace Dave Kentner, who resigned last month, citing personal reasons.

Eyre was with the team last year as an assistant general manager. He also helped out Gerry Inglis with coaching when needed. Eyre is experienced in both coaching and

general manager positions. He held such a position with Dundas teams in both Intermediate "A" and Senior "A" leagues. Eyre was also a general manager-coach

with a junior "A" team in Brantford, and has coached on the junior "B" level.

The 43-year-old Hamilton resident has big

goals for the upcoming year.

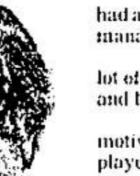
"I want to win it (the Allan Cup)," he said. Last year was the Raiders' first year in the Senior "A" league after playing a number of years at the Intermediate "A" level. After downing Collingwood in the first round of the league playoffs, the Raiders lost to Petrolia in five

Eyre has cited some priorities he now faces with this year's team.

"We have a good nucleus of players this year," he said. "We must pick up six or seven other good players who want to win.

"You got to make sure this type of players are on the team. I've got a couple of players I'm looking at now."

"Last year's team was a good one, but I



GIL EYRE

...new GM

think it was thin on the depth chart," Eyre added. Team president Finn Poulstrup said Eyre had all the qualities he was looking for in a general

"We were looking for someone who knew a lot of people in hockey, a person who had contacts

and toyalties from which he could draw upon. "We wanted someone who we felt could motivate people, a person who could motivate the players to give 110 per cent, and Gil has the ability to get the players to play for a reason.

"We also felt Gif had the right type of personality to fit in with that of the Georgetown Raiders, which is understanding responsibility and commitment. Gil had the best track record of all the people we looked at, and I know we made the right choice for general manager," Poulstrup

The appointment of Eyre comes late in the summer, and does not leave the new GM much time to prepare for the upcoming year, but Eyre said he will be "doing a little more work in a

One problem the new manager will face is who will coach the team. Last year's coach is not expected back, thus providing the team with a vacancy there. However, Eyre will first put together a team, then look for a coach.

One possibility that exists is having Eyre assume both duties. But Eyre said he has not given much thought to assuming both roles.

"If I make that sort of commitment, I will find the time to do both jobs, but I really haven't thought about it. Right now, I have other priorities," he said.

NOTES - The Raiders' training camp will begin September 9 at the Alcott Arena. The team will face Cambridge Sept. 28 at home. In between that time will be two exhibition games.

The Raiders' first two games will be at home (against Cambridge and Petrolia). Eyre feels it would be nice to get off to a fast start.

"But it is a long season," he said. All home games will begin at 8:15 p.m. instead of 8:30 p.m.

McGaw, mates win tastball title

By DAN RALPH

Herald Sports Editor When the going gets tough, the tough get going. Georgetown's Tara

McGaw and her teammates faced a fough task of playing three fastbali games in succession in order to win the Canadian Junior Ladies Fastball tournament in Burnaby, British Columbia this weekend. However, after pulling together, McGaw and her Pickering mates emerged with three wins and a national title.

The tournament began play with the opening round games Wednesday. After winning those three games quite easily, Pickering advance to the doubleelimination portion of the tournament where

2-1 decision in their first game.

That meant the Pickering team would have to play the remainder of the tournament weary that one more loss would eliminate them from their goal of a national championship. On Sunday, to realize that goal, the team had to play three consecutive_ games and win them all. "We had to play Alber-

ta," McGaw said, "and we beat them 5-1. Right after that game we had to play in the final against Burnaby and beat them twice.

"We won the first game 2-1, and won the second 2-0," she said. "It really hasn't set in yet because I'm so tired."

The 18-year-old outfielder usually plays for Chinguacousy of Bramp-

TARA McGAW

the Pickering team for the national tournament after the provincial reginnal tournament held last month in Brampton.

McGaw said the hardest games to play were against the host team,

"The one game we got beat, their fans were really behind them," she said. "They were really psyched for the game, and after they kept telling us we had to take the long way to the final."

But being on a national championship team is something that McGaw feels is the result of a lot of hard work and dedication.

"The night before we had to play Alberta, we didn't think it was possible to win three games . in a row. I think it is normal to have doubts

about that sort of thing, "But we started to build up our confidence because everyone else thought it couldn't be

The first few games of the tournament were hard for McGaw because

in a national tournament began to mount. However, after the first few games, she began to calm down and play with the pressure.

In the ten games the team played in, McGaw saw action in nine. She had a good tournament at the plate too, getting five singles, a triple, scoring nine runs and being walked eight

The Pickering team now has qualified for the world championship tourney, but there is still a chance McGaw won't be on that team.

"They are not sure it they will take the whole team, or pick up some players from the Canadian tournament," she said. "I'd like to go, and would be disappointed if I wasn't able to go."

the pressure of playing the host learn scored a ton, but was picked up by Burnaby. GMHA decides in favor of FIA

By DAN RALPH Herald Sports Editor The Georgetown Minor Hockey Association (GMHA) has decided to use the hockey training principle developed by

Hawk Pat Stapleton. Stapleton developed the Fundamentals in Action (FIA) programs in his hometown of Alliston, which incorporates all the elements of

former Chicago Black

hockey into one drill. After having Pepsi-Cola get interested in the program, a move was made to have as many hockey associations as possible be exposed to

the hockey principle.
At a meeting Monday night, the GMHA decided to have its coaches be exposed to FIA. That will likely occur later in September, just prior to the beginning of the GMHA season in October.

Last week GMHA president Wayne Pries had lunch with former 'hockey all-star Billy Harris about the FIA program. At that time he was happy with what he heard from Harris, and is happy the GMHA has decided to accept the

"I'm glad to see it," he said. "I think it will be a benefit to the boys to be taught the basics of

"I know the coaches I've talked to have been really keen about it." In September, a form-

er professional hockey player will come to Georgetown to outline the program to the GMHA coaches, after which they will pass it on to their players.

The former pros will then come back in about two months to check the progress of the program and the players.

There will be a cost for the program Pries said, but that will be taken care of by the association. He said about 450 boys will take part in the program, at a cost of \$2

player. **NOTES** · Registration for a conditioning camp will be held tomorrow at the Alcott Arena, and on Saturday at the Memorial Arena. The camp will be held in conjunction with the Atom Mom's Hockey Exchange.

Specters protest OASA playoff series

Glen Williams Specters are technically out of the running for the Ontario Amateur Softball Association (OASA) title, but they still have a -

glimmer of hope that could get them back in the provincial playoffs.

Last week the Specters dropped two decisions to York Merchants in

the best-of-three playoff by scores of 6-0 and 5-0. However, prior to the beginning of the series, Specters manager Ted Wilkes lodged a formal

protest with the OASA stating York had players that were illegal.

Under association rules, teams playing in the Intermediate A category cannot have players from communities exceeding a population of 30,000. Wilkes said York has many players who live in Toronto, Etobicoke, North York, Metro Toronto and Barrie, all of which exceed the league stipulations.

"It's been a well known fact for years now," Wilkes said about York using players from the bigger communities. "It's just that no one has ever done anything about It.

"I lodged the protest before the series began to show it was just not a case of sour grapes if we lost," he said.

Wilkes said the channels the protest will travel Early runs no help

Georgetown Eagles of

the Halton County Junior

Boseball League found

the number three to be

quite unlucky for them

The Eagles lost all

Saturday night, Mis-

sissauga came into

Georgetown, and left the

Fairgrounds with a 7-3

loss, fanning nine.

Andrew Braun took the

The Engles had the

lead in the game, scoring

two runs in the first

three games they play-

ed, and could muster but

three runs in each one.

this week.

win.

means a decision about the legality of the York players will come late this week, or on the weekend. He said he is not confident the league

me any good this year, but maybe it will for next Meanwhile Glen williams will have a lot of

games to play again this week. Their game last week slated against Alton in the Intercounty Fastball League (IFL) was cancelled. Now this week will see Glen Williams play four games.

Last night they travelled to Hornby, tonight they travel to Alton for another IFL game, and on Sunday Glen Williams will play a doubleheader beginning at 6 p.m. Their first opponent will be Cambridge, while they will tangle with Alma in the nightcap. Both games will be played a

Glen Williams.

Losing control BMX racer Jamle Dorval loses control of his will vote in his favor. "I don't think it will do

hike on the turn as Troy Winters prepares to assume the leader's position in the 12-13 year old Beginner riders race held at Leathertown BMX

racing course this weekend. The Acton course was the site of the provincial BMX championships. See Atl for results.

(Herald photo by Dan Ralph)

Erin basketball player misses provincial berth

ERIN - At a time when feeling sorry for one's self would seem appropriate, Samantha Reed is trying to look on the bright side of not making the provincial tadies under-21 basketball

Reed was one of 16 players selected provincially to attend the team's training camp that began July 24 at Sudbury's Laurentian University. After to days of three practices daily, the team moved to St. Catharines August 3 where a number of exhibition games were played against Empire Games teams from Buffalo, as well as intra-squad encounters.

On August 6, the team was trimmed to 12, and unfortunately Reed's name was not on the travelling team's roster.

"I'm disappointed I didn't make the team," she said, "but I'm probably looking at this from the wrong angle. I was fortunate to be one of 16 picked for this camp.

"It was good exposure and was a great experience." Reed was fortunate just to be at the team's

camp. The team held a tryout session one weekend to select the 16 players for training camp. Reed was there for the tryout, but was not selected to go to the camp. When one of the girls selected could not make it to Sudbury, the coaches went looking for their last player at a regional

tournament Reed happened to be playing in. At the tournament's end, the coaches asked the five-foot, 11-inche forward if she would be

interested in attending training camp. Happy to attend, Reed knew the odds of her

making the squad were low. "I went in tentatively being the 16th player selected," she said. "This was the first time I had tried out for the team, and from what I heard, it

was hard for a player to make it on her first try. "Most of the veterons were university players with more experience. It's tough not making it, but only three first-year players made

the team," she said. But Reed does have an invitation to try out again for the team next year, and she has an extra

little incentive to help her. "Next year will be the Canada Games, and they will have women's basketball. The provincial team will go there to play, which will be an

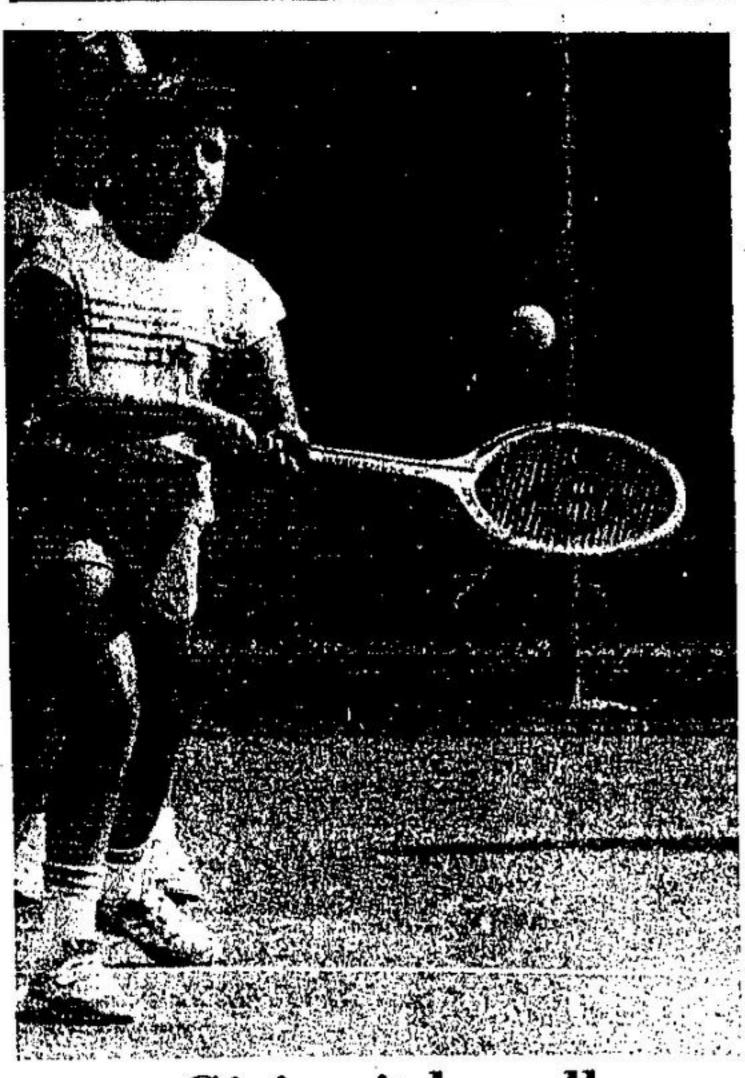
incentive for me. "I'll really be looking forward to that," she

But in the meantime, Reed will try to upgrade her game. The provincial coaches pointed out her weak points, and Reed will work hard to

improve them. The coaches told me I wasn't aggressive enough, that I didn't have that killer instinct. It's

different playing high school ball, in that you don't need that, but you do at the provincial level. "At the provincial level, you have to get out

there and get real intense. I know I can do it, I just have to tell myself to do it," she said.



Giving it her all

Nine-year-old Alison Munro puts everything she has into her backhand on this shot. Munro was taking part in the Halton Hills Parks and Recreation Department's Ontario Tennis Camp for youths at Joseph Gibbons tennis courts

last week.

(Herald photo by Dan Raiph) .

for junior Eagles

Jay Anderson singled. stole second and scored on Mike Friskney's single. Friskney came across the plate for the second Eagles' run when

Braun singled. In the seventh inning Rob Hagen walked and scored on Anderson's single.

Sunday at the Fairgrounds the Engles played a doubleheader with Niagara Falls, and dropped both games 12-3

and 6-3. In the first game,

again Georgetown struck early when Paul Blackmore singled and scored the first run on Hagen's double. Friskney then singled, which

scored Hagen to give the Engles an early 2-0 lead. But Georgetown would not score again until the seventh inning when Hagen singled and moved to second on Mario Galvao's single. Paul Guistini reached base on

an error, which scored Hagen. In the second game the first inning again proved - the Eagles. to be a good one for the

Eagles, who struck for a run when Galvao walked, stole second and scored on Hagen's single for an early 1-0 lead. In the fourth inning

Guistini singled and went to third on Chris Fabbri's double. Guistini scored on Kevin Hughes' single.

In the fifth inning Georgelown struck for their final run when Hagen singled and scored on Pat Brooker's

double. Fabbri took the loss for