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**PLAYING THE FIELD**  
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**New Raider GM should assume role of coach**

Last week Georgetown Raiders of the Ontario Senior "A" Hockey League announced the hiring of Gil Eyre as general manager. One of the pressing issues facing the new GM is who will coach this year's team.

Gerry Inglis, who last year held that post, will not be back with the team this year.

The problem Eyre has is that it is now August, and he does not have the luxury of looking around. By his own admission, getting players for next month's training camp is a higher priority than getting a coach.

What should be done is to have Eyre assume both GM and coaching positions. That way, a lot of problems could be prevented.

In hockey circles, a general manager and coach must get along, and be able to work together. Last year GM Dave Kentner and coach Inglis fit the bill to a tee, which would account for Georgetown's fine showing in their first year of Senior "A" competition.

With Eyre assuming both spots, he would be able to get the players he wants in camp, not having to worry about the coach's reaction. Also, he would not have to worry about a coach shaping the team into the wrong mold of the GM.

Being the coach would allow Eyre the opportunity of fixing the team just the way he wanted to, without uncertainty about their direction.

Assuming both positions would not be a new venture for the 43-year-old GM. He assumed both roles with Dundas teams in Intermediate and Senior "A" leagues, as well as on a Junior "A" level with Brantford.

Eyre spent the last half of the 1982-83 season with the Raiders as an assistant general manager, and helped out in a coaching capacity also. By being with the Raiders last year, and having been in their opposition while with Dundas' Intermediate team, Eyre has the confidence of the Raiders' executive. He is a proven performer.

A new coach would have to get to know the players and executive in a hurry, something Eyre does not have to do because of his association with the team last year. He knows what is expected, and how to go about doing it.

So one way of solving the current problem of having no coach for the Raiders would simply be to give Eyre both positions. He has the experience, and that way, he could concentrate on getting the players needed to make Georgetown get over the final hump in their quest for an Allan Cup.



GIL EYRE

**Finishes fourth at Cheltenham show**  
**Careful try backfires on Graham**

**CHELTENHAM** Hugh Graham was trying to be careful, but ended up getting into a lot of trouble at the Cheltenham World Cup qualifier Sunday.

The 35-year-old Limehouse native rode a clear round in the preliminary section of the competition, but in the jump-off scored eight faults as a result of crashing into a combination fence and going over the 69-second time limit for the second round. However, he did

manage a fourth-place finish, and added two points to his World Cup qualifying point total.

"I was just trying to be careful, and ended up getting too deep," Graham said after the competition. "It was my fault, and not the horse's."

Graham rode two horses in the event and made the jump-off with Elrond. His other mount, Don't Look Back, finished with seven faults in the first round and came in 10th overall.

The competition was won by Edmonton's Gail Greenough, who spent Saturday night in hospital, and made it in time Sunday to walk the course. She finished both rounds clear with her mount Astragal.

Beth Underhill, aboard Sea Hawk, was second with a clear round also, but did not finish the course in as good a time as Greenough did. Third spot went to Doug Henry aboard Big Bird, who knocked down one rail for four faults.

Despite the jump-off

incidents, Graham felt Elrond jumped well.

"I thought he jumped great, considering he came home from Los Angeles Monday," he said.

**Missing medal disappointing**

**CHELTENHAM** After competing in his first Olympics Games, Hugh Graham learned the frustration that a competitor can experience.

Graham and the other members of the Canadian Equestrian Jumping team finished fourth in the Games, just three-quarters of a point behind West Germany for the bronze medal, and three-and-a-quarter points behind Great Britain for the silver medal.

The competition was won by the United States team, with only 12 penalty points. England had 36.75 points, West Germany 39.25 and Canada ended the Games with 40 points.

"It was a great experience," Graham said about competing in the Games. "I learned a lot of different languages."

"But we came here psyched up for a medal, and to go home empty-handed was disappointing."

Even more disappointing Graham said was that the Canadian team "had a bad day." He said if the team had a good day and finished that close, he would not feel so bad, but the fact that the Canadians had a poor



Limehouse native Hugh Graham clears the barrier here on board of Elrond at the Cheltenham World Cup qualifier event held Sunday. Graham rode a clear round on Elrond, but ran into trouble

in the jumpoff, and finished fourth. He rode another horse, Don't Look Back, and finished tenth with that mount.

(Herald photo)

Graham was a member of the Canadian team that finished fourth at the L.A. Olympics, just three-quarters of a point out of third spot and a bronze medal.

Graham still leads the way in World Cup qualifying points with 69. With only two meets left before the World Cup, Graham feels his chances are good to return to the team he made last year when he finished 16th in the 40 man competition.

"I need one more good score," he said. "At the same time it looks good for me to go. Last year I went with 61 points."

Graham said he was not happy about finishing fourth, but he was also glad to do well.

"You are never satisfied unless you win. But it could have been worse, we could not have made the jump-off."

Graham's other mount Don't Look Back competed in its first Grand Prix event, and Graham was pleased with the result.

"I thought he jumped well, considering it was his first event."

The seven faults came on a dropped rail and a refusal to jump at another.

The next World Cup qualifier will be September 30 in Cedar Valley. Graham is confident he can do well there.

"I hope to do well there, it will be a big international meet," he said. "If we can jump as well as we did today, we'll be in good shape."

The Cheltenham World Cup event was the sixth of eight scheduled. The top three point getters qualify for the 1985 World Cup being held in West Berlin.

**Sports in brief**

**Sabres hold practice**  
Acton Sabres of the Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League will be holding two practice sessions in Georgetown.

The first one will be Thursday evening at 10 p.m. The second session will be Wednesday night, also at 10 p.m. Both practices will be held at the Gordon Alcott Arena.

The practices will be open to all players living in Georgetown and the surrounding area. A \$3 fee will be charged to help pay for the rental of the ice.

**"C" team on top**  
The Gordon Alcott Ladies "C" Intercounty tennis team defeated Martin Grove to claim top spot in the league standings. Last year the team finished fourth.

Margo Prior and Midge Hampshire dropped the only game of the match to Martin Grove, 6-4, 2-6, 1-6. The team of Lois Fraser and Trudy Roy went three sets also, but came out on the winning side of a 6-4, 5-7, 6-3 decision.

Anne Munro and Daiga Zelek won their game in three sets, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4. Mary McEwen and Norma Maynard won their game 6-2, 6-4.

**Tennis tourney results**  
North Halton Tennis Club held its club tournament recently for doubles competitors.

The team of Bob Houston and Peter Acton defeated Gord Doig and Rob Small 6-2, 6-0 in their final to win the men's division.

In the ladies final, Ann Kennedy and Chris Steen defeated Brenda Sinnett and Lois Fraser 6-2, 6-2 to win their division.

Peter Acton of Brampton won the men's singles competition, defeating Larry Sinnett 7-5, 1-6, 6-3. On the ladies side, Brenda Sinnett defeated Lois Fraser 6-4, 7-5.

**Ladies flag football league play**

**By KELLY PEMBLETON**  
Herald Correspondent

The regular season play for the first year of the Georgetown Ladies Flag Football League has ended as spectacularly as it started two months ago. The final games ended with a major upset as King

Pizza surprisingly knocked off North Halton sports from sole spot atop the league standings. As a result, the J.V. Jets, who have been on the heels of the North Halton team all season, moved into a first-place tie.

King Pizza sure must have eaten their "Wheaties" before their game with North Halton as they won their biggest game of the season 28-26. King's scoring came from Karen Pembleton, Donna Waters, Cathy Dobson and the star of the game Wendy Farrell, who scored two majors for the victory. Quarterback Sandra Cousins

was the star of the game for North Halton, scoring two majors. Brenda Hamilton and Sue Tesar added majors and Linda Donais had the convert.

King's upset win over North Halton surely gave J.V. Jets a gift as it allowed them a chance of moving into a first-place tie with the Halton team.

They took advantage of it by dumping Work That Body 30-0. Janet MacKay handled most of the scoring with two majors and a single. Hermania Henderson, Kathy Reid, Lynn Cartwright and Kim Mariel helped rack up their 30 points.

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**Miehm, ball mates second at national event**

Michelle Miehm and her Chinguacousy fastball teammates had a long trip back from the Canadian Junior Ladies Softball championships.

The team felt they were the best in the tournament, but came home with the silver medal after dropping a 9-0 decision Sunday to the host Moncton, New Brunswick team in the final.

The tournament was a double elimination affair, and came down to one game, after Chinguacousy, who had lost a game prior to the final, defeated Moncton 3-0 to thus set up the one-game final.

Chinguacousy qualified for the final by defeating Quebec in the semi-final 2-1 earlier in the day.

The 20-year-old Miehm played left field for Chinguacousy throughout the tournament, and hit .300. But the Georgetown native said the team could not play as a unit.

"We came out big in our first two games (10-0 vs Manitoba and 11-0 vs British Columbia) and I guess we lost our concentration. We were not psyched to win, we did not play together as a team," she said.

Miehm said her mates did not really get used to the pitching of the other teams in the tournament, which she said was slower than what Chinguacousy was used to.

"When we went out for batting practice before the Quebec game on Sunday, our coach pitched and she pitched in the unorthodox style. I guess that worked because we beat Quebec 2-1."

"The pitching was really slow, and our bats could never really get adjusted."

Miehm said in her mates' heart they know they were the best team in the tournament, but that cannot be seen with their silver medals.

"It's disappointing knowing we should have won," she said. "We wanted to go for the gold."

With another year of junior competition eligibility left, Miehm has a decision to make about next season.

"A lot of the girls on this year's team will be going senior, so I have to decide if I want to play junior somewhere else, or go senior with them," she said.

**Jones leads Reflex to win**

Mimi Jones and Chantal Desrosiers scored the goals as Reflex edged Dairy Queen 2-1 in Pee Wee girls soccer play.

Rachel Halovanic had the lone goal for Dairy Queen. Sonia Letarnee, Tanya Stoyles and Karen Marshall played well for the winners while Stephanie Hanman, Sheri Mann and Heather Cory played well for Dairy Queen.

In another league game, Hillsburgh defeated Mustangs 6-0. Sue Taylor, Laura Fisher and Monique Bartlett played well for Mustangs, who played the game short of the necessary number of players due to injuries.

**Georgetown drops series**

Georgetown H and H Video dropped two games to Port Hope in their best-of-three Ontario Baseball Association playoff series.

Georgetown dropped a 12-4 decision in Port Hope. The Bantam baseball team allowed five runs in the first inning, three in the second, one in the third and three in the fourth before they rallied for two runs in the fifth and seventh innings.

In the second game played in Georgetown, again Port Hope jumped out to an early lead, this time 4-1 in the first inning. Adding two runs in the fourth and fifth innings, the visitors romped to a 10-7 win.

**AWAY WE GO**



Georgetown Warriors' Simon Evans (in dark jersey) tries to keep up to a Guelph player in the Warriors' 2-1 loss Thursday at Cedarvale. John

**Specters on a roll, lose OASA protest**

Glen Williams Specters were one pitch away from sweeping five games this week in the Inter County Fastball League.

The team defeated Hornby Tuesday night 2-1, lost to Alton by the same score Wednesday, bounced back Friday against Cambridge 8-2 and took both ends of a doubleheader Sunday against Elma 4-0, and 2-1 against Fergus.

The doubleheader was played in Glen Williams. Tuesday Gary Halls got the win, and helped his own cause by knocking the winning run with a triple. Against Alton Wednesday, Jeff Haines took the loss as he was the victim of a two-run homer. Kelly McArthur got the lone Specters' run with a one-run shot.

Halls was the winning pitcher against Cambridge, and had offensive help from most of his mates, including Jack Bergmann. Sunday, in the first game against Elma, Haines got the win, with Andy Broadbent being the hero when his homer scored the winning run. Against Fergus, Halls got the win in extra innings as Glen Williams tied the game

in the ninth inning and won it in the 10th when McArthur singled with the bases loaded.

The protest Glen Williams put before the Ontario Amateur Softball Association (OASA) was turned down for this year however.

The protest concerned the eligibility of some players on the York Merchants, the team the Specters played in their last round. There was some question as to whether some of the York players complied with rules concerning community size.

**FINAL STANDINGS**

Team	W	L	T	PCT.
North Halton	7	12	1	.35
J.V. Jets	7	2	1	.75
King Pizza	4	4	2	.50
Diet Centre	4	6	0	.40
Work That Body	2	5	3	.29
Thruway	2	7	1	.25