

Lack of local players key reason for move

Junior B Sabres fold for second time

By DAN RALPH
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ACTON - Here we go again.

Acton Sabres of the Ontario Junior B Hockey League have once again folded for the 1984-85 season. The reason given by club president Bruce Cargill is that not enough local players were out at the team's training camp.

"We had only five boys

coming," Cargill said. "We're only allowed to have eight import players, so we would need at least 10 local players to ice a team."

Earlier this summer, the Sabres folded citing a lack of new blood in the team executive as the principle reason. The old executive had served in that capacity for five years, and felt a change was needed.



Sabre report

The folding was presented to the Ontario Hockey Association, and said the Sabres would be

absent from league play for the 1984-85 season. But a motion from Dave Innes, Cargill and the Acton Minor Hockey

Association to assume running the club meant Acton would have a Junior B team for the upcoming season.

Innes became the general manager, Cargill the president, and the AMHA ran team operations while Innes and Cargill concentrated on putting a team on the ice.

But last week the AMHA washed its hand of the Sabres, which left

the task of running the team up to Cargill and Innes.

"We're going to ask the OHA if we can suspend operations for a year," Cargill said. "But whether we can come back next year or not will be up to their discretion."

"If there is a team next year, I won't be involved with it," Cargill said. "We gave it a shot this year. It's a lot of

work, a lot more than two or three people can handle."

The folding of the Sabres does not concern a lack of money, Cargill said.

"No it doesn't. We had sold more advertising for our program than what was done for the one last year. This had nothing to do with money," he said.

Cargill said he was disappointed at the

Sabres' folding, but he added he feels the people of the town won't miss the hockey team. The ones who will be hurt the most Cargill said will be the players of the future.

"I'm upset to see the boys who will reach 16 in a couple of years having nowhere to go," Cargill said. "The feeling you get here is that you're spinning your wheels and getting nowhere."

"It's a shame too

because we were all working so hard. As far as I'm concerned I feel we had as good a team as there was in the league. From a management point of view, we were top notch with Innes as GM and Gary Ford as coach."

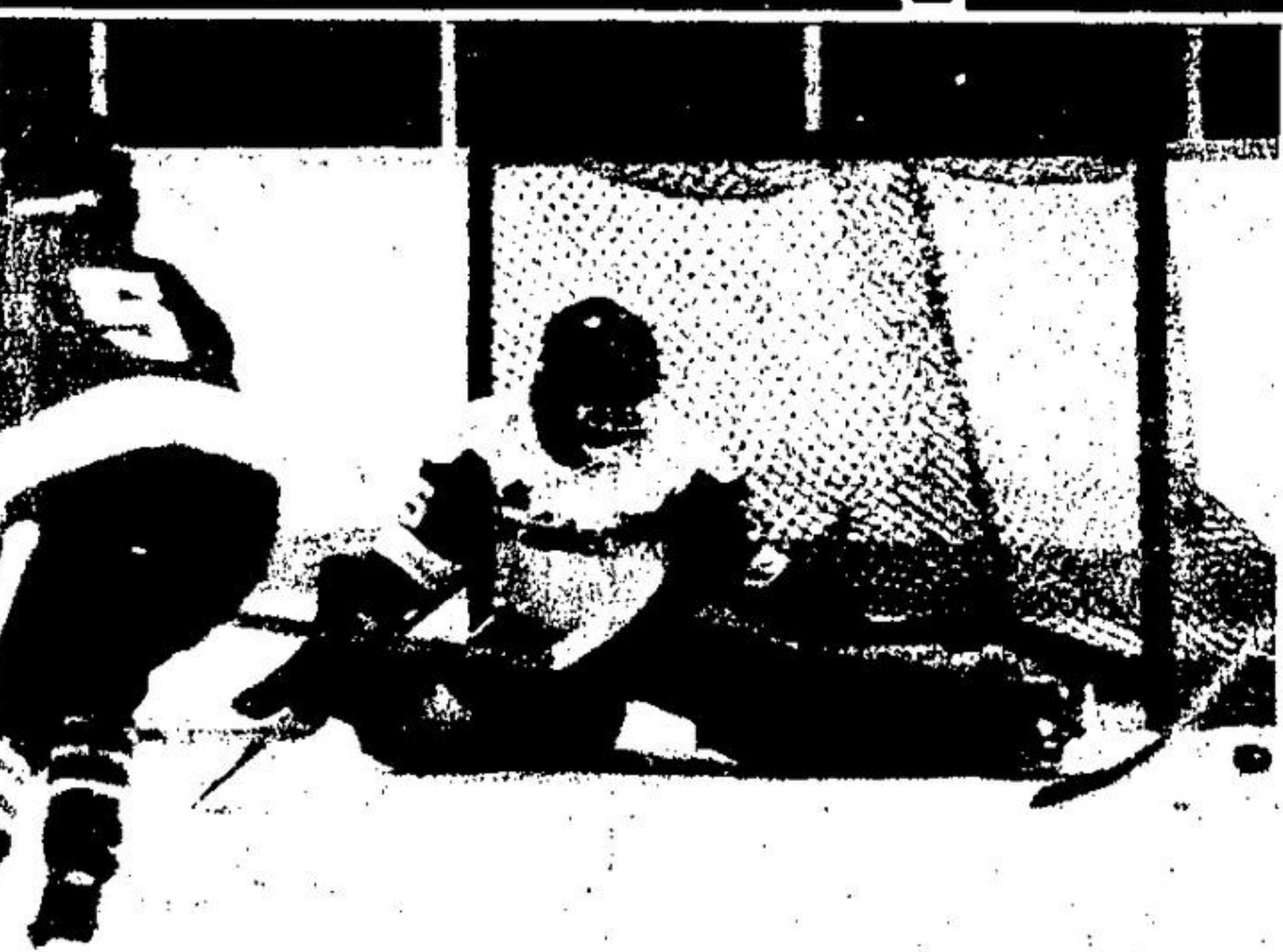
"I'm disappointed, but there's no use crying over spilled milk. I guess it's the wish of the town not to have a Junior B hockey team," he said.

Ford or Innes could not be reached for comment.

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Georgetown Geminis goaltender Tony Polinelli (35) makes the save off of a Burlington Cougar shot. The Geminis scored three goals in

the third period to record a 6-4 exhibition win at the Alcott Arena.

Geminis record 6-4 victory

By DAN RALPH
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It might have only been an exhibition game, but Georgetown Geminis general manager Bob Webster couldn't have been happier after his team's 6-4 win over Burlington Cougars.

The game was played Saturday night at the Gordon Alcott Arena before about 100 spectators.

"I kind of thought we wouldn't do as well as we did," Webster said. "Coach Ken Southwick has not had the time to implement anything yet."

The Geminis were lead by Wayne Morrow's hat-trick, while Joe O'Toole, Rivy Kennedy and Greg Robertson rounded out the scoring.

The teams were tied 1-1 after the first period. Burlington held a 4-3 edge after two periods of

play, but the Geminis came back with three third period goals to record the win.

The Burlington team held a big size advantage over the home team, but Webster said he was impressed with how his club stood up to their opponents. The game was a chippy one with referee Jon Fleming calling 56 penalties, including seven fighting majors.

"I was disappointed the fighting was there," Webster said. "But I think I can understand it. In a game like that, the players are trying to make the team, and show toughness."

Webster said his

team's showing in Saturday's game will help in the long run.

"What it has done for us is given the players confidence. I really liked the hustle, and I think we will win our share of games on hustle alone."

"We're going to be small, but I guess good things come in small packages," he said.

Todd Cull and Ray De Souza were in the Geminis' lineup Saturday. Both players were invited to attend the camp for Orillia Travelways of the Provincial Junior A hockey league, but were sent back to Georgetown to sharpen their skills. However, one player who is not with the

Geminis this year is all-star goaltender Wayne Cowley.

"I think Cowley has departed to Oakville, but I'm not sure if he has signed yet," Webster said. "I hated to see him go, but I wish him well."

"Wayne's attitude was he thought he deserved more than he got. I had no say in his leaving because Wayne is a Mississauga waiver."

But Webster said he is confident one of the four goalies in camp will be able to take over between the pipes.

The Geminis will practice Thursday night, and play a game against Burlington there Friday



TODD CULL

before returning for a Saturday game with Buffalo at the Alcott Arena. Sunday, the team will travel to Buffalo for another game.

NOTES: Georgetown has signed three players. The players being Rivy Kennedy, Kevin Frank and George Osborne.

Tataryn out for skate at Raiders training camp

By DAN RALPH
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Georgetown Raiders of the Ontario Senior "A" Hockey League had a special visitor in their camp last Wednesday night.

Dave Tataryn, who last year played goal for the Cambridge Hornets club that beat the Raiders out of top spot in the regular season by a single point, was at the Alcott Arena in full gear. He said though his presence does not mean he will necessarily play for Georgetown this season.

"I was out for a skate," he said. "I'm interested, but not committed. I could go back to Cambridge, I could go to Petrolia, who have called me, or maybe play with Georgetown."

"I came out because Gil Eyre (Raiders' GM) asked me to, and for years I've been talking with Dave Kentner (former Raiders GM). It

was in appreciation for their time and effort."

Tataryn said the possibility exists he will not play Senior hockey this season. The only positive commitment he has made at this time is to play for Teen Ranch this winter.

Teen Ranch is a non-profit, non-sectarian Christian organization. The team is made up of the likes of Ron Ellis, Paul Henderson and Gary Dornhoffer, just to list a few members.

The Teen Ranch team tours the province playing exhibition games, and tries to show people athletes in the pro ranks can make a commitment to their belief in Jesus Christ. This year there is talk that the team could play a 30-game schedule, and even go to Australia, but the trip is still in the planning stages.

"I will be playing for Teen Ranch for sure," Tataryn said. Tataryn said he was somewhat disappointed



when he arrived at the Raiders' camp. He said he did not see the fire needed to make a concentrated run for an Allan Cup in the players' eyes.

"I was anticipating a good, high, enthusiastic group," he said. "I saw players like Peter Sturgeon and Ray Tonelli out, the types of players who will make the commitment (for an Allan Cup), but that was it."

"I don't want to play for a team, be it Cambridge, Georgetown or Petrolia, where the players won't be making the type of commitment I'll be making," Tataryn said.

"I look at the regular

league as daily practice. When the playoffs start, and the run for the roses begins, I get a hunger for it. I get a feeling like I did when I played pro."

Tataryn said if Georgetown is going to make the run at the Cup, they will have to play well the entire hockey season.

"We (Cambridge) finished in first just one point ahead of Georgetown," he said. "The thing is they could have been 10 points ahead of us had they gotten their act together before Christmas."

Tataryn played professional hockey with New York Rangers and Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League. He also played for Toronto Toros of the World Hockey Association.

He has played with Cambridge seven years, and has been on two Allan Cup winners while playing in four Cup championships.

Exhibition loss no worry for Raiders' GM Gil Eyre

By DAN RALPH
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Georgetown Raiders started their exhibition season off on the wrong foot Friday, but Gil Eyre was not worried.

Eyre, the club general manager, said he wanted to see how the players would perform against the Flamboro team. The Raiders dropped a 5-3 contest to the visitors at the Alcott Arena before about 80 fans.

"Considering this was our first game, and only our fourth time on the ice, I thought we played well," Eyre said. "I thought the people we had out there really tried."

"The purpose of the game was to see what the players could do," he said.

Ron Kerr, Guy Cormier and Paul Gallagher scored the goals for the Raiders, who outshot Flamboro 38-25.

Randy Stibel had two goals for the winners while single tallies went to Doug Stewart, Guy Romeo and Reg Aubert.

The contest was a chippy one with a total of 23 penalties being handed out. All were minors.

The Raiders dressed 19 players for the game, but were without the services of Tim Appleford, Peter Sturgeon and Ron Twiss, who were not



GIL EYRE

dressed. Eyre said he just decided to sit the three out because he wanted to look at other players. He added all three did not have injuries.

The game was not a good one for the Raiders. They did not capitalize on the chances they had, and had difficulty with their timing.

On at least six occasions, Raiders' possessions were halted due to offside calls. But Eyre did say he was impressed with the play of a few players.

"I thought (defence-man) Pat Richard and (forward) Chris Peavoy played well," Eyre said. Richard suffered an ankle injury in the second period, forcing the Raiders to go with just three defencemen in the final period. The extent of the injury was not known.

Eyre said he will coach the hockey club this season, but added right now he is more concerned with giving each player a good look.

Eyre said he wants to bring a few more players into camp. He expects to have a final roster by September 24.

Jim Lockhurst started the game between the pipes, and appeared shaky in the game's early going. Once he got on track, he played steady. Bill Held took over in the final stanza, and allowed three goals.

Eyre did say he had a few concerns after the game.

"My main concern, though is with the defence," he said. The Raiders had Ray Tonelli playing most of the game on the blue line. Eyre was happy with the veteran's performance, and hinted Tonelli could start the season in the position.

Georgetown will play in Flamboro Thursday night, travel home for a Friday home game with Collingwood, starting at 8:30 p.m. The Raiders and Shipbuilders will return to Collingwood for the second game Sunday afternoon.

NOTES: Dave Tataryn, who was in camp last week, was not in the lineup.

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Meteors down Fergus in poor soccer game

In a poor game, the Georgetown IGA Meteors defeated Fergus 9-0 in a Mid-Ontario Soccer League contest.

The game began well for the visiting Meteors as a through pass from Andre Thibault found Nicky Varricchio on the right wing. His cross to Paul St. Pierre was controlled well and a high shot gave Georgetown the lead after 7 minutes.

The home team were able to mount any offence as Bob Donker and Brian Daugherty clamped down on any danger before the ball

passed beyond midfield, thus leaving Sandy Jobin-Bevans and Richard Herrera with little to do on defence.

Consequently, goals were scored regularly as the first half progressed; during this period, Mike Melville, Rich Sowery and John Placido showed a commendable willingness to pass the ball to colleagues in better positions. The half-time were Nicky Varricchio, Steve Alechin, Jimmy English and Paul St. Pierre.

Changing ends with a

5-0 lead tempted the Meteors to use power rather than skill to overcome their weak opponents. Their play deteriorated as they chose to dribble when a pass was appropriate or shoot from acute angles. Nonetheless, further goals were scored by Chris Cambouris, Andre Thibault, Robbie Lockhurst and Doug Raymond. Now that all players have finally scored this season, soccer connoisseurs hope that the Georgetown squad will again give teamwork its rightful place as the playoffs approach.

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Cup Day held

The Georgetown Youth Soccer Club held its Cup Day this weekend, with each division holding its own tournament to decide a champion.

Minor Squirt champs

In the minor squirt competition, Blue Thunder defeated Green Raiders in the final 2-1. For Blue Thunder, the championship title went with their league championship accumulated for finishing in top spot after the regular season.

Marty McLeod and Chris Howell had the goals for the winners while David Boere scored the lone goal for the Raiders team. In the battle for third spot, Blizzard defeated Blue Jays 3-0. Michael Olsen had two goals while Matthew Joffe had the other.

Major Squirt champs

In major squirt action, Doug Sheppard's goal was all Green Crusaders needed en route to their 1-0 championship win over Red Barons team. In the consolation title game, Blue Bombers edged Jets 2-1. The game was tied after regulation time, and had to be decided by penalty kicks. Toly McLeod and Justice Towill had the goals for the winners while Gavin Glaser scored the lone goal for the Jets team.

Walker paces win

Jason Walker had two goals as Warriors defeated Killer Falcons 4-1 in the atom boys championship game. Jonathan Burns and David Frost had the other goals for the winners while Bruce Davidson scored for the Killer Falcons crew. Steve Melykuly also played well for the winners while the whole Falcons team played well also.

Blue Bombers were crowned consolation championship winners. No results on that game were available.

Blue Thunder wins

Blue Thunder edged Panthers 2-1 to capture the mosquito title. Jeff Smith and Jamie Kelman handled the scoring for the winners while Derek Wolgar replied for Panthers.

In the consolation championship, Rebels defeated Greyhounds 2-0 on goals by Lam Ly and Stefan Steen.

Blue Thunder qualified for the final with a 1-0 win over Rebels in the semi final game. Peter Gomboss had the lone goal. In the other game, Panthers scored a 5-1 win over Greyhounds. Paul Smith and Mike Larocque had two goals each for the winners while Michael Burns netted the other. David Lipp scored the lone Greyhound goal.

Pineview nets win

Pineview was crowned pee wee champions by virtue of their 2-1 win over Bombers in the championship final. No goal scorers were available. In the consolation game, Rowdies defeated Cobras 6-5. No scorers were available. Bombers made it to the final with a 2-1 win over Cobras in one semi final game while Pineview edged Rowdies 3-1. No scorers were available.

Bantam title close

Like most of the other championships, the bantam title went down to the wire, and was decided on penalty kicks after the initial game ended in a 1-1 tie. A.E. LePage was crowned Cup champions, as they defeated Wildbirds in the final. The consolation game was won by Raiders 5-2 over Enforcers. Wildbirds made it to the final with a 2-1 win over Enforcers while the A.E. LePage team scored a 3-1 win in their first game. For Wildbirds, the season was not a total disappointment as they won the league title in the regular season.



PLAYING THE FIELD

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Interesting facts about sports world

So often, the world of sports revolves around just who won and who lost. Facts and figures seem to dominate with little about the human element.

Humor most often lifts one's spirits, and makes one forget about problems at hand. So let us take this occasion to enjoy a little humor, and forget about everything else for the time being.

Compiled below are some interesting facts concerning the world of sports, and leisure activities. Enjoy them, that is what they are meant for.

A man from Oklahoma has thrown a piece of dried cow manure over 161 feet.

If 100,000 people at a soccer match all cheered at exactly the same time they would generate enough energy by their sound vibrations to boil three pints of water.

An arrow has travelled more than a mile when fired from the footbow of Harry Drake of California.

In very hot weather marathon runners can have body temperatures as high as 106.8 F degrees. (Not sure what 11 is metric!)

There are about 10,500 greyhounds in training in England.

Tennis originated in French monasteries in about 1050.

The Cambridge boat sank during the Oxford-Cambridge boat race in 1859.

During a world bantam weight boxing match in Johannesburg, South Africa December 2, 1950, Vic Towell knocked Danny Sullivan down 14 times in 10 rounds.

In contract bridge, the mathematical odds against receiving a "perfect deal" of all 13 spades are 635,013,559,988 to one.

An elephant in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia has beaten a hundred farmers in tug-of-war contests.

In Freemasonry, Australia there are mice races, with people betting on the results. Finally, if you have ever had one of those games when nothing has gone right, you will be able to appreciate the extreme this Japanese soccer player went to. After two years with his club, the player burnt his boots and entered a monastery after scoring on his own goal.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These facts appear in The Leslie Frewin Book of Ridiculous Facts, compiled by Kevin Goldstein-Jackson. The book is published by Kevin Goldstein-Jackson and Leslie Frewin Publishers in 1974.