

All games videotaped for examination

Swedes learn valuable lessons



Georgetown Minor Hockey Association (GMHA) president Wayne Pries presents the Most Valuable Player awards to members of the Swedish Minor Midget and Georgetown Labelmasters team after the two teams had played their exhibition games. Jorgen Eliasson (top) was the winner for the Swedish team while Georgetown's Mike Flynn captured the honor for the home team. (Herald photos)

Although his team lost all six of their exhibition games, Swedish minor midget coach Bonny Sjöberg feels the lessons learned will benefit his squad in their league play.

The touring Swedish team from Stockholm was in Georgetown Saturday, and dropped an 8-1 decision to Labelmaster minor midgets. While scores were not available, sources say

the margin of defeat in Georgetown was about the same in the Swedish team's other five games.

But winning was not an objective of the Swedish team. They wanted to come to learn, and Sjöberg said his team did come away with some valuable lessons.

"We've learned we must play a little harder and faster," he said. "In Sweden we tend to hold on to the puck a little longer."

The Swedish team is in top spot in their division, and Sjöberg said there is one team that gives his squad a tough game almost every outing. But with the lessons learned in this tour he said he should be able to soundly defeat their competition.

Members of the team will have a lasting vehicle for learning too because all of their games were videotaped. Sjöberg said he and team

members will carefully examine the tapes, and work out different strategies based on what they see.

"We were very surprised," Sjöberg said of his competition. "Every team we played had good goaltending, and very good defencemen."

Not only will his team benefit from a strategy point, but Sjöberg said cardiovascularly the squad should be improv-

ed. In Sweden the games are shorter than they are in Canada as the Swedes play two periods that are 15 minutes each in length.

All of their games went three full periods.

Also, all games are played outdoors, and just like the conditions that have prevailed in Canada, Sweden is experiencing a very mild winter.

"Sometimes we've had

to play in a little bit of water," he said. "All the fields were green when we left, but hopefully we'll have some snow when we go back."

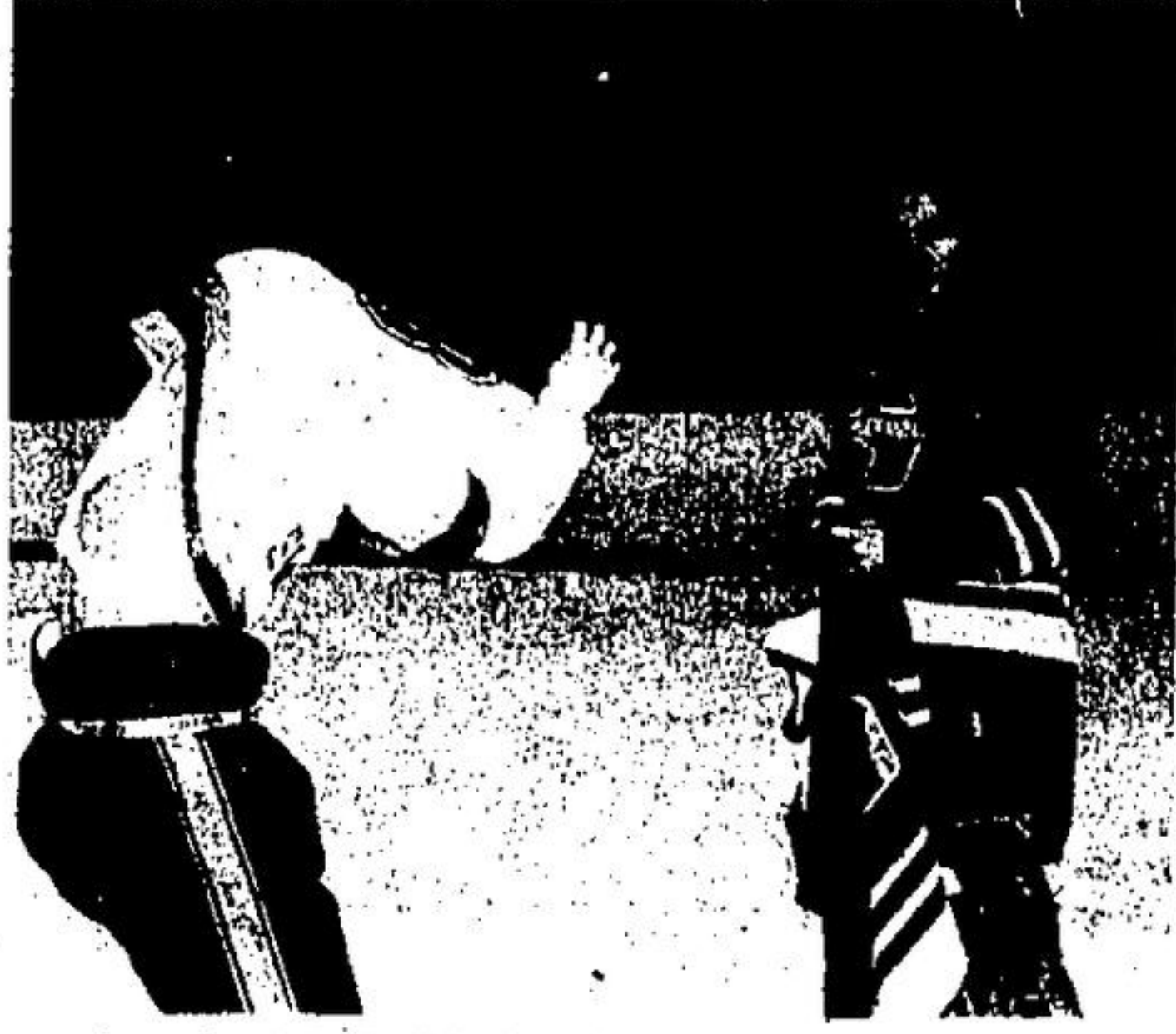
But not all of the lessons learned will have to do with hockey. Sjöberg said the entire tour was a success.

"We loved it," he said. "We're very sorry we have to go back. "Everyone has been just so kind," especially

the host families with their very pleasant hospitality. We've had a wonderful stay."

After playing Saturday, the team travelled to Toronto and took in the Maple Leaf-Vancouver National Hockey League game. After spending the night in Toronto, the team went to Montreal where they caught their flight back to Sweden.

Feelings of deep emotion shared by billets, players



A member of the Swedish minor midget team gets rid of his sweater in order to put on one that Georgetown Labelmaster minor midget goaltender Greg Tuck has. The two teams played an exhibition game Saturday at the Alcott Arena, won by the Georgetown team. After the game the Georgetown team presented their visitors with the sweaters. (Herald photo)

Members of the touring Swedish minor midget hockey team left Georgetown Saturday, but they did so reluctantly, said Georgetown Minor Hockey Association president Wayne Pries.

Pries was with the team from their arrival Dec. 28 to their departure Saturday. He said there were a lot of sad faces when he left the squad in Toronto.

"Many of them found it hard to leave Georgetown," he said. "When I left the Carlton Inn (where the team was staying Saturday), there were tears in many of the players' eyes."

Not only did the players not want to leave, but the families providing billets too did not want the young hockey players to leave.

"We had one family who was to billet some boys for four days, then turn them over to another family. After the four

days they did not want to give them up. I told them that when the tour came to an end they would have to give the boys up then," Pries said jokingly.

The Swedish team played six games while in Ontario, and lost each game convincingly. However, Pries said he could notice an improvement in the Swedish team's play.

"In their first game with Woodbridge, we must have had to go out and pick up bodies ten times," he said. "They learned checking was a part of the game, and overall I would say they learned a lot."

Saturday against Georgetown Labelmaster minor midgets, the Swedish team dropped an 8-1 decision at the Alcott Arena.

But not all of the touring team's time was spent on the ice. In their spare time the Swedish players and coaching

staff visited shopping malls and tourist attractions.

"We went to the Science Centre, and I was with the coach of the team, who turned out to be the biggest kid of the bunch. We had to stop at every booth and press all of the buttons," Pries said.

The team also visited the CN Tower, Shoppers' World in Brampton, the Eatons Centre and the Cooper stick factory in Preston, where each player was given a free hockey stick.

The tour was handed to the GMHA quickly by accident. Another centre was originally supposed to handle the organization of the tour, but when it could not accommodate all of the responsibilities,

the GMHA stepped in and picked up the pieces in October.

Pries said their two months was enough time to handle all of the organizational tasks that were on hand. He also added everything went well.

"The only snag we ran into was which team was going to wear white in Milton," he said. "But that was quickly rectified."

However, an incident in Milton did not impress the GMHA president.

"The sports editor of the Milton paper openly said he thought the fans should have gotten a refund for having to watch 'this farce'," Pries said. "I thought that was uncalled for."



Wayne Pries presents an award to a player.



Cross country skiing
By JOHN PEAKER
Herald Columnist

Seek help from qualified instructor

If one has an athletic background I would suggest that it is possible for a beginning cross country skier to teach himself, or herself to become proficient at the sport. This type of individual learns by watching others, by reading articles on technique and through dedication.

However, for the vast majority it is probably best to seek out a qualified instructor and get off to a proper start.

Either way, the secret to success is practice, practice and more practice.

Let's look at the basic techniques and skills that one should be able to perform in order to enjoy the sport.

When going downhill, bend the knees slightly and lean forward with most of your weight on the "balls" of your feet. The heels should be lightly resting on your skis. The arms should be bent at the elbows so that the forearms are perpendicular to your skis. The poles will be extended slightly behind your feet. Your skis should be approximately six inches apart (or as wide as the tracks allow).

The important thing to remember is to relax. Take a deep breath and let your skis "run". Avoid hesitation and continue to lean forward in the downhill position until you come to a complete stop. It is not so difficult.

The most common and simplest method used is the "snowplow". As the name implies, your skis form an inverted "V", the tips of your skis are a few inches apart while the tails are considerably farther apart. The larger you make the "V", the more your speed will be reduced. The "secret" to making the "snowplow" work is inside "edging". The speed is dictated by how much pressure you place on the inside edges of both skis against the snow. Find a fairly well packed slope and practice the "snowplow" until you are able to consistently regulate your speed.

Try to fall relaxed, sideways and backwards so you land in soft snow, not on hard skis.

It is quite normal to fall frequently when learning how to ski down hills. It is, therefore, very important for a skier to learn how to get up the easy way. The following steps should be taken:

1. The pole straps should be removed from the wrists.
2. While the skier is lying on his side, the skis should be brought around so that they are parallel to one another. If the skis are tangled, the skier should roll onto his back so that both skis are in the air over his body. He should then swing them so that they are parallel to one another and across the slope below and should lower them into the snow at right angles to the fall line.
3. The knees should be bent so that the skis are brought under the body as close as possible.
4. The inner edge of the downhill ski and the outer edge of the uphill ski should be dug into the snow.
5. The skier should grasp both poles so that they are next to each other, thus acting as a single pole. The ski pole tips are placed uphill in the snow about a foot from the knees. The poles are grasped just above the baskets with one hand. The other hand is placed halfway up the shafts. The skier can now push himself up into a sitting position or onto his knees, and then up into a standing position. Always remember that it is critical that the skis be parallel to the side of the hill. If the skis are not parallel to the side of the hill, they will slide downhill as the skier gets up. This usually results in another fall and the skier has to start the process all over again.

Take part in Milton tournament

Chateau bants win, lose, draw

Georgetown Chateau Restaurant minor "AA" bantams won, lost and tied at a tournament in Milton this weekend.

The locals dropped a 3-1 decision to Dundas in their first game as Stu

Vogt scored the lone goal for the Chateau squad unassisted.

In their second game against St. Catharines, Georgetown won 4-2 as Greg Onoprijenko, Travis Gardiner, Brent

Presswood and Doug McDermott had the goals with assists going to Bill Tutt, Presswood, Vogt with two, Onoprijenko, Cam Herman and Gardiner.

The Chateau crew

came up with a 2-2 tie in the final game with Richmond Hill. McDermott and Herman had the goals as Doug Kent, Vogt and Onoprijenko had assists.

In league play the locals picked up a pair of wins, as they defeated Streetsville 15-0 and won a 5-2 decision over Chingacousy.

Adam Bennet had three goals and three assists in the win over Streetsville. Steve Lee had two goals while Chris McCarthy had a goal and two assists. Onoprijenko had a goal and an assist while Bill Tutt had a goal also with two assists. Kent had a

goal and three assists while McDermott added two goals. Gardiner had a goal and an assist while Steve Sutherland chipped in with a goal and two assists. Cam Herman had a goal while Brent Presswood had four assists, and Alan Gray added a pair of assists.

In their win over Chingacousy, McDermott had two goals and two assists. McCarthy had two goals also while Herman had two assists while Presswood had the same. Lee, Gray, Vogt and Kent had singles.

Georgetown finishes off its regular schedule in Burlington Jan. 14.

Holidays and illness costly to Roxy team

Holidays and illness proved to be costly for Roxy's "AA" minor atoms at the 11th annual Beaver Hockey tournament in Milton recently.

Six different players missed one or all three of the team games forcing coach Bob White to mix up his line combinations and defensive pairings.

In their opening game Georgetown dropped a 5-3 decision to arch-rival Orangeville. The locals got off to a poor start, and found themselves down 4-0 midway through the second period. Steve Boyle had two goals for Georgetown while the other went to Steve Melykuty. This was the only game of the tournament for Boyle, who was forced to miss the remaining games. No reason was given for his absence. Assists went to Andy Jones and Keith Montgomery.

Georgetown then lost 4-1 to a team from Depew, New York. Melykuty had the lone goal from Derek Parsons and Todd Fuller. Georgetown fell behind 1-0 in the first period, and 2-0 when the New York team scored with 18 seconds left in the second. A pair of insurance tallies gave the American team the win.

Georgetown had to settle for a 4-4 tie in their final game despite jumping out to an early 4-0 lead. Randy Bond had two goals, for Georgetown while Troy Schirk had the other. The final goal scorer was not available.

Assists went to Troy Schirk, Melykuty and Fuller.

London scored its first goal with only four seconds left in the second period when a shot eluded goalie Andrew Ashenhurst, who played

a strong game.

London took the game away from the locals in the final period with three goals, as the lack of manpower began to take its toll.

Randy Waters' goal proved to be the winner as Exchange House edged Acton ReMax 4-3 in Georgetown Non-Contact Hockey League play.

Daryl Weir had two goals for the winners while Dan Seaton had the other. Dave McGilloway had two goals for the ReMax team while Duncan Waldie had the other.

In other league play, Northstar Cleaners

defeated O'Tooles 5-3. Terry Moustard had two goals for the winners while Noel Stoyles, Bob Lemon and Serge Mazzarato had singles. Gary Walsh, Bill Kirby and Bill Stanshill had the goals for O'Tooles.

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Waters/nets winner in non contact game

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Scoreboard

MINORATOM Goals: Greg McLetch 1, Dan King. Assists: Jeffery Sandifer, Jason McLean, David Sier, Thruway Muller 2. Goals: Matt Deruchie 2, Ryan Teeter. Assists: Ross Thompson, Steven Truham.	Knights of Columbus 4 Goals: P. Domingos, C. Giorlati, B. Prostebly. Assists: B. Williams 2, S. Webb, M. Campbell, B. Hamman, B. Anderson. Scotiabank 4 Goals: J. Mills, M. Howie, J. Sheldrick, R. Dorell. Assists: P. Miller, T. Grieverson 2.	Tri-Mart 3 Goals: T. Norton, H. Klavakian, M. Huffman. Assists: G. Goodfellow, B. Klavakian. Standard Products 1 Goal: W. Samis. Assists: J. Marshall, J. Chartrand.	MAJORATOM Goals: Scott Jobbins 3, Sean Pedersen 2, Gord Burke. Assists: Greg Enright, Darren Danlyshen, Chris Hyde, Sean Pedersen 3, Mike McLean, Gord Burke. Dairy Queen 4 Goals: Bob Houakill, Brian Daugherty, Tom Haspussen, Jeff Henrich. Assists: Bob Houakill 2, Jeff Henrich.	MAJORATOM Goals: Mark Micklethwaite 2, Larry Brunton, Pat Miodorec. Assists: Nels Muske 4, Jamie Tripp 3, Scott Vandevalk. Assists: John Sullivan, Dwayne Pool.	MAJORATOM Goals: John Moore, Mark Johnson 2, Jeff Lane 2, Eric Hodin, Curtis Hamilton. Assists: Jimmy MacLellan 1, Stephen Lacroix. Assists: Gordie Arch.	JUVENILE Goals: Shawn Kirkpatrick, Andrew Hack, Shawn Dockerty. Assists: Shawn Kirkpatrick, Scott Taggart.	MAJORATOM Goals: Terryway Ellard, Boden 2, Bowler, Johnston, Lane, Hamilton. Assists: Boden 3, Ellard, Lane 3. Mr. Donut 1 Goal: Venditti. Assists: Trant.	MAJORATOM Goals: Chickens 3, Currier 2, McNally 2, Thompson. Assists: Cogan 2, Burk, McNally, Brunton. Assists: Kinsman 1. Goal: Lacroix.	MAJORATOM Goals: Greg MacLellan 6, Dany King 2, Derek Ruffolo, Ryan Brain 2. Assists: Kevin Spears, Mark Dodson, Jeff Sandifer, Mike MacInnes. Curwood 3 Goals: Julie Scarlett 2, Charlie Snook. Assists: Bill Sullivan, Wade MacLellan, Julie Scarlett.	MAJORATOM Goals: Matt Deruchie 5, Bryan Klop, Glen Henderson 2, Glen Dornen 2, Jeremiah Pendley, Joel Slufata. Assists: Jeremiah Pendley 6, Joel Slufata 2, Ryan Teeter. The Herald 2 Goals: Brad Spears, Paul Sandiler. Assists: Robbie Monkton, Sandy Davidson.	JUVENILE Goals: Howie McCarthy, Shawn Coffey 4, Bruce Sheppard, George Parker, Dave Reynolds. Assists: Bruce Sheppard 4, Mark Milliere 2, Tom Bykes, Shawn Coffey. Twin Windows 2 Goals: Andrew Hack, Scott Taggart. Assists: Scott Taggart, Steve Doucette.	Barragers 4 Goals: Scott Jobbins 3, Sean Pedersen 2, Gord Burke. Assists: Greg Enright, Darren Danlyshen, Chris Hyde, Sean Pedersen 3, Mike McLean, Gord Burke. Carpet Barn 5 Goals: Marcus Thunich, Larry Brunton, Mark Lorito 2.
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Valiant effort

Although Royal City Novice "AA" hockey team put up a valiant effort, the squad lost a 4-1 decision to Chingacousy.

The game was even until midway through in the second when the winners netted two of their goals due to defensive breakdowns. The game was much closer than the score indicates, as Daryl Stansfield had the lone goal from David Boere and Paul Ingrams. Good efforts were put in by Joe Stephens and Jim Katsilieris.

Broomball results

The extra pounds added over the festive season did little to slow down the teams in the Adult Mixed Broomball League.

Grizzlie Oldtimers met Pompeii "B" in the first game of 1985, and won it 3-1. Larry Laroque had two goals for the winners while Mike Clendening had the other. Yvan Rivard, Mike Clendening and Janice Clendening had the assists.

Barry Stevens had the goal for Pompeii "B" with the assist going to Graham Hill.

In the second game, Pompeii "A" edged O'Tooles 1-0 on a goal from Scott Morrison assisted by Shawn Zuber. The shutout went to Bob Veitch.

Poppy team wins

The Poppy's "AA" Major Peeewe squad took a break over Christmas and took to the ice January 3 at Memorial Arena when they hosted Flamboro.

Pre-Christmas league play saw them defeated on home ice by Streetsville 3-1. Georgetown's lone marker was counted by Rod Pasma, assisted by Mike McElroy.

Travelling to Chingacousy Dec. 22, Georgetown shut out the home squad 2-0. Jimmy English counted both goals for Georgetown with assists credited to Mark Mininch and Dale McNiven.

New skating rink

If it's shiny hockey you're looking for, or a quiet skate with the family, the recreation department has both.

A large natural skating rink underneath the baseball lights at Fairgrounds Park is being flooded daily. It should be ready for use by the end of the week, depending on the weather.

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