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Score 6-3 win in deciding game

Squires eliminate Raiders again

By DAN RALPH
 Herald Sports Editor
 History repeated itself Sunday night.
 For the second straight year, Petrolia Squires eliminated Georgetown Chrysler Raiders from the Ontario Senior "A" playoffs. Petrolia defeated Georgetown 6-3 at the Alcott Arena in the seventh and deciding game of their best-of-seven quarter final series.
 Last year the Squires were Georgetown's nemesis as they downed

the locals in the semi-finals.
 Petrolia forced the declining contest with a 4-3 win Saturday in Sarnia. The Squires overcame a 3-0 second period deficit with four straight goals for the win.
 The key to Sunday's game came late in the second period with the scored tied 3-3. The Raiders were on the power play, but Gord Brooks scored what ended up being the winner with a shorthanded goal.
 "When they scored their shorthanded goal they seem to put more pressure on us," said Petrolia coach Bill Fairbairn in reference to Darren Lowe's goal in the first period. "That was the same with us."
 "I think the key to the series was the way we played in the second and third periods of Saturday's game. It was just a matter of breaks and we got them."
 Fairbairn said he was not surprised the series was a tough, close affair. "I said from the start that it would go to the wire, and it did. Before this started I said I thought the winner of this series would win the league and I still think that."
 Tim Ampleford, Lowe and Dave Hill scored for Georgetown, who lead 1-0 after the first but trailed 4-3 after two per-



GIL EYRE DAVE HILL

iods. Saturday Doug Fry Gary McFayden and Ray Tonelli scored the goals.
 Friday here the Raiders went up 3-2 in the series with a 6-4 win. John McIntyre and Paul Gallagher both had two goals while Ron Twiss and Cam Botting scored. Tuesday Petrolia tied the series 2-2 with a 4-3 win there. Goal scorers weren't available.
 Raiders' coach-general manager Gil Eyre said the shorthanded goal was the key to the game.
 "It was the turning point," he said. "But as it turned out Saturday was the turning point of the series."
 All through the series Georgetown played shorthanded on defence. The mysterious absence of John Gibson, along with Fred Boimistruk's work situation, left Eyre with only three blue-liners at best. Sunday Boimistruk did play, but only for two periods. He had to work Sunday night, and Eyre said having Boimistruk leave after the second didn't help his club.
 "Fred Boimistruk had no choice, he's a probationary worker with CN. But it did hurt."
 "Petrolia had five solid defencemen and we were at the point of having to use three forwards on defence. I'll be honest in saying there were times I prayed behind the bench," Eyre said.
 Eyre said he would not give a definite answer as to whether or not he will be back with the Senior "A" team next year. He did say he had nothing but praise for the Raider organization.
 "In all my years in hockey, I've never worked with a better executive or bunch of people. They are nothing but class."



Georgetown Chrysler Raider goalie Dave Tataryn makes a fine grab here to end a Petrolia scoring threat. The Raiders were eliminated from the Senior "A" playoffs by virtue of Sunday's 6-3 loss to Petrolia at the Alcott Arena. The Squires now face Flamboro in the league semi-finals. (Herald photo by Dan Ralph)

Low faces Big decision

Whenever a team loses in the playoffs, players ultimately ponder where they will be the following year, and what they will be doing. Such a situation awaits Raider Darren Lowe.
 The 24-year-old University of Toronto student will have some heavy thinking to do about what his hockey future holds for him, now that the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders are out of the playoffs. Petrolia defeated Georgetown 6-3 Sunday at the Alcott Arena to take their best-of-seven quarterfinal series four games to three.
 "I could go to Europe, play with the Olympic team full time, go back to school or not play hockey at all next year," he said. "I have some big decisions to make."
 But Lowe's main priority now will be to finish school, then sit down and make a decision about hockey. Lowe is in his final year and is taking physical and health education.
 Lowe said talent-wise Petrolia did not stack up the Raiders. But he added the Squires used what they had as best they could in the playoff series.
 "I hate to say it, but I feel they outworked us," he said.
 While Gord Brooks' shorthanded goal late in the second period Sunday was an important goal, Lowe pointed to Saturday's game as being the key to the series.
 "Saturday night they got the ball rolling. We were up 3-0 and by all rights should have put them away then."
 "Even though we were up 2-0 tonight, I think the feeling was of hurt in blowing a 3-0 lead the night before," Lowe said.
 Although he did not play the entire year with the Raiders (Lowe signed back in December and played his first league game in January after playing on the gold-medal team at the Spengler Cup), Lowe said this team was a learning experience.
 "I found out what happens to people when they finish playing real competitive hockey, which is not to say this league is not competitive."
 Lowe had a chance this year of playing with St. Catharines Saints of the American Hockey League, but turned down the invitation due to his commitment to the Raiders.

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DARREN LOWE

"They were interested in having me for the rest of this year but I had an obligation to this team," he said.
 The thought of someday playing professionally is still a possibility, but Lowe admits it is not a strong one. He says sticking with the Olympic program is an attractive venture.
 "The Toronto Maple Leafs organization wanted me to come out, prove myself and if I did then they would have signed me to a contract," he said. "But if I haven't proven myself by now, then that's too bad."
 "Playing in a second Olympics (Lowe was in the 1984 Games) would be a tremendous opportunity. I would be seen as a leader and be an asset to the younger players due to my experience. The only problem would be giving up the next three years of my life. If they were able to give me a career move after, that would be ideal."
 "But the 1988 Olympics are in Calgary, and maybe that would open some opportunities for me."
 As for his stay in Georgetown, Lowe said he couldn't have been happier.
 "The people treated me fantastically and I was very happy. I noticed in the playoffs I was checked a lot closer, but that is no excuse. I should have been able to rise to the occasion."
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M and M bantams open tourney with win

The Georgetown M and M Pro Sports major bantams are off to an impressive start in the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association annual bantam tournament.
 The locals edged Niagara Falls 5-4 Monday night in a physical contest. Jason Arnold led the way with two goals, including the winner while lying flat on the ice.
 Dave Harris, Terry Murphy and Dan Lane had the other goals for the winners.
 The locals got off the mark on a slow note, but

when Harris scored the first Georgetown goal in the second period, the team picked up the pace and went ahead 2-1 on Arnold's first goal of the game. The best Niagara Falls could do from that point on was continually tie the score until Arnold scored the winner in the third period.
 Goaltender Brian McIlravy played a steady game for Georgetown, particularly in the early stages when his club was not playing up to its potential. He continually turned away opposition scoring chances while his mates got on track.

The M and M team is playing in the "B" category which is for "AA" teams. The other local entry, the A.E. LePage "A" bantams are in the "C" class which is for "A" teams. The other two classes in the tournament are "A" (AAA) and "D" (B and BB).
 The A.E. LePage team won its first game of the tournament 6-4 against Ajax. John Lorto and Glenn Mulder had two goals each for the winners while the singles went to Jeremy Felce and Wayne Snow.
 In their second game the locals dropped a 7-1 decision to Oshawa. Goal scorers weren't available. Both games were played Monday at the Alcott Arena.
 Both teams were in action Tuesday, each playing one game. The results were not available prior to press time. An entry from Acton will also take part in its first game of the tournament.
 The Acton team is taking part in the "C" competition.
 Today Acton takes on Levaack at 1 p.m. while the M and M team takes on Rayside Balfour today also at 6:45 p.m. Acton will be in action tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. when they take on Hespeler.
 The playoffs begin Friday with the preliminaries. The Division finals go Saturday with the overall title being decided Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Alcott Arena.
 NOTES-Tonight Georgetown's A.E. LePage team will take on Levaack in an exhibition match while tentatively the M and M team will play Mount Pearl in an exhibition game Thursday at 8 p.m.
 Saturday the Senior girls Georgetown hockey team will play Oakville in an exhibition game prior to the tournament final.

Georgetown Senior girls win provincial tournament

The Georgetown Bowl Senior Ladies Bowling team overcame a deficit of 114 pins to win the provincial title Sunday.
 After two games the Georgetown team trailed Cornwall 228-215, but put it all together in the final game to defeat the Cornwall team by approximately 70 pins.
 The five-man team rolled a collective score of 3254 to capture the tournament. London finished in third spot.
 Individually Jane Hicks was the top Georgetown bowler with a score of 746. Teresa Maslach was second with 707 while the other scorers were

Cindy Kavanagh 679 Kelly McCorry 631 and Karen Doyle 608.
 The championship win was an improvement of two places by the team from last year's performance as Georgetown was third in the 1984 event.
 Coach Wendy Chaplin said the team was one of the strongest senior girls teams Georgetown has sent in a long time.
 "This is the best senior team we've had in a while," she said.
 The Georgetown team now qualifies for the National Senior Ladies championships that will be held April 28-30 in Burnaby, British Columbia.



Members of the Georgetown Bowl senior girls team proudly show they're Number One after being crowned provincial champs this weekend in Toronto. Members of the team from left: Teresa Maslach, Karen Doyle, Kelly McCorry, Jane Hicks, Cindy Kavanagh and coach Wendy Chaplin. (Herald photo)

Sports in brief

Football meeting
 A General Information meeting for officials of the Georgetown Men's Flag Football League will be held Monday evening at 8:30 p.m. in the executive room of the Georgetown Royal Canadian Legion.
 There will be a general discussion of the rules, positioning of various officials, pay rates, scheduling of officials and how the league operates. The league commences play the first Sunday in June and games are played each Sunday right through to October.
 No games are played on long weekends.
 Interested persons (male or female) who would like to officiate this season are urged to attend. Training sessions will be held at future dates. Representatives from the league teams are also invited to attend. For more information regarding officiating, call Colin Gibson at 877-3220.

Swimmer wins bronze
 Georgetown swimmer Julie Arnold won a bronze medal at the Ontario "A" Team championship held recently in Ottawa.
 Arnold competed with the Dorado Swim Club in Mayfield and took the bronze in the 9-10 year-old 50-meter butterfly event. She was also sixth in the 100-meter butterfly and was a member of the fourth-place relay team.
 Georgetown's Kim Barr was also competing at the meet, and was 10th in the 100-meter backstroke event in the 11-12 year-old class.

Exhibition win
 Georgetown Royal City was eliminated from further action with three straight losses to a strong Brampton team in the best-of-five series.
 Georgetown dropped a 6-2 decision in Game One. Jimmy Katsilieris and Paul Ingram scored the goals with Tim Diardichuk and David Wallbridge respectively.
 In Game Two Brampton outscored the locals 10-1 with Wallbridge notching the lone goal, set up nicely by David Boere.
 Game Three was a tight one with Brampton edging the locals 2-1. Simon Johnson scored the lone with Boere assisting.
 The team heads for Lindsay this weekend for its final tourney of the year.

Sweeping victory

Georgetown's Men's "D" League team swept their Inter-Club squash contest with Supreme Racquet Club of Mississauga 3-0. Erwin Schandelmeyer, Ken Thorn and Steven Eastwood won their games 3-0 while Paul Duval and Brian Day won 3-1.

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