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DAN RALPH
 Herald Sports Editor

The rumor that proved not to be

When a coaching position becomes available with a hockey team, invariably rumors begin to come up as to who will fill the vacancy. Quite often the rumors aren't worth following up, but this wasn't the case.

Phone calls in and around Georgetown about prospects for the coaching and general manager positions currently available with Georgetown Chrysler Raiders drew up a variety of potential applicants. However, a curious coaching possibility kept creeping up; that was the name of Collingwood Shipbuilders' coach Darryl Sly.

Sly's name arose as a result of his long friendship with Raiders' sponsor and vice-president of hockey operations Barry Whitworth, sources told The Herald. The thought of having Sly come to Georgetown was news to team president Finn Poulstrup, but he added he would have considered the Collingwood coach quite seriously.

"I've always considered Darryl to be a good coach, and if he was interested I would be happy to consider him. He gets the best out of his players."

"But any news about this is purely wide-eyed speculation because I've heard nothing about it. It's the same as we could say Rick Vaive is coming to play for Georgetown this year. It would be great to have him, but there is no value to it (saying so)."

When contacted in Collingwood, Sly said he had been approached for the coaching position, but only in jest.

"It would almost be impossible for me to drive all that way," he said. "From what I heard last year they (Raiders) practised once a week. If they intended to do anything they would have to practise twice a week. If you included the two games they'd play on the weekend I'd have to make up to four trips into Georgetown."

That thought too crossed Poulstrup's mind. "We'd never be able to afford his mileage expenses," he said.

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DARRYL SLY

In terms of mileage, Georgetown is about 100 miles south of Collingwood, located just outside of Barrie.

Sly is too busy waiting word on whether or not the Shipbuilders will in fact be in operation this season. Talk about their financial situation revolves around their expenses being too much for the club's budget.

"This year we had to go to Petrolia and Chatham both on the same weekend twice, compared to only once last year. It ends up costing us about \$2,000 a weekend. Even going to Woodstock from where we are up here isn't cheap."

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If the Shipbuilders were to cease operations, Sly wouldn't have to go far to coach hockey. Owen Sound has offered him a chance to coach their Tier II franchise and Georgian College has said the same concerning their college hockey team.

But as long as there is a Shipbuilders team, Sly will be there as the coach.

"If there is a team I'd like nothing better than to beat the heck out of Georgetown. Right now it looks grim, but this is May and you never know."

"I do know I would love to be able to get hold of some of the talent they (Georgetown) have there and try to do something with it."

Action resumes

Co-ed action resumed this week in the Halton Hills mixed three-pitch softball league.

Howell Plumbing's Marie and Jack Grootgen paced the way in their team's 24-15 win over Pompei Pizza. Ty Skanes and Stevie Poloz played well for Pompei.

In other action Mr. Submarine sank P.G. Bell 32-13. Jack King played well for the winners while Michelle Jones did the same in a losing effort.

Dave Tataryn touring Australia with team

Raider goalie going down under

By DAN RALPH
 Herald Sports Editor
 Georgetown Chrysler Raiders' goaltender Dave Tataryn will soon be heading for the land down under.

Tataryn will accompany Teen Ranch on their 16-day, five-game tour of Australia. The former National Hockey League and World Hockey Association player will be in goal for the non-sectarian, non-

profit Christian organization.

The team leaves today for the tour.

Tataryn said the timing of the trip comes at a somewhat unfortunate time for him. He is busy trying to get his hockey school ready for its start this summer, and the time he will spend in Australia could have been used to get everything in order at home. "With the hockey

school this is not the best time, but I made the commitment to go," he said. "I'll just do the work when I come back. Everything will be ready."

Tataryn runs a summer hockey camp for goaltenders in Orton, and said if there is an overflow in the camp's registration it will start on June 23. If there isn't an overflow Tataryn said it will open July 1st.



DAVE TATARYN

Accompanying Tataryn on the trip will be Guelph native and Georgetown Geminis defenceman R.J. Farnworth and former Guelph Platers' defencemen and Georgetown resident Jay Barwell.

The team has been working out the past while, and held a training camp last week in Orangeville, the site of the Teen Ranch. Such former NHL stars going

on the trip will be Ron Ellis, Jean Pronovski, Gary Unger and Dave Burrows. In all, 14 players will make up the Teen Ranch squad.

As well as playing against Australian teams, Tataryn said Teen Ranch will conduct three coaching clinics. The five teams included in the tour will be the major source from where players are selected for Australia's

national team. Hockey in Australia is still in its infancy. The country had a team in the last Olympics in the

"C" pool that included teams from Japan and Switzerland, which are not considered hockey powerhouses.

"The teams we'll be playing will be like good junior "B" teams," Tataryn said.



Georgetown junior Eagles shortstop Nell Sivertson (4) prepares to lay down a bunt here. Sivertson and his teammates got tuned up for the opening of their season Sunday with a 7-0 win over Brampton. The game was one of many that opened the Georgetown Baseball Association season. (Herald photo by Dan Ralph)

Eagles surprise manager in exhibition triumph

By DAN RALPH
 Herald Sports Editor
 Rookies hoping to catch on the Georgetown Junior Eagles roster didn't make manager Dan Guistini's job any easier Sunday.

The Central Ontario Baseball Association team defeated Brampton Braves 7-0 in an exhibition game played at the Fairgrounds. What will make Guistini's job harder will be that when Brampton's starter Frank Facia left the game Georgetown led 1-0.

However a number of first year hopefuls hit aggressively in the fifth inning as Georgetown bombed the Braves second pitcher for six runs in the six inning game. Because the game was an exhibition, no official scorer was on hand to record game statistics.

"I was surprised but very pleased," Guistini said after the game. "Making the final cuts will be difficult because a number of the younger kids are so close."

Currently Guistini has 19 players in camp, and would like to start the season with 15 players. Sunday 16 players played in the Brampton contest.



DAN GUISTINI



JAY ANDERSON



PAUL GUISTINI

Raider news

Shorter season
 A few teams of the Ontario Senior "A" Hockey League have submitted letters asking for a shorter season.

Flamboro and Petrolia have both asked the schedule be reduced from the present 40 games down to 30 or 32. Petrolia wrote that it could not afford to continue play if the schedule was not shortened.

Such a move wouldn't bother the Georgetown Chrysler Raiders.

"We would definitely consider it," said president Finn Poulstrup.

Money owed
 Collingwood Shipbuilders have yet to pay the Ontario Hockey Association their allotted percentage of the gate receipts for the league playoffs.

No rumor
 There was a rumor that Raider forward Russ Elliott might be involved in a coaching capacity with his former team Cambridge Hornets. However, Elliott said that wasn't really true.

"A guy asked me off the cuff, but I told him first I'd have to see what I was doing with Georgetown," Elliott said. "I've got to get together with (VP of hockey operations) Barry Whitworth first and see what he has planned."

Spots open
 Still no decision has been made pertaining to who will be the Raiders' coach and general manager. Both president Poulstrup and VP of hockey operations Whitworth said while nothing has been formally decided upon yet, a decision will be made in the near future.

Raider tourney
 The Raiders will be holding a hockey tournament in November. The event will be an Oldtimers setup and will be non-contact.

Locals fare well
 Two Georgetown gymnasts had some impressive placings at the 1985 Ontario Provincial gymnastics competition held this weekend in Burlington.

Janifer Arnold, competing in the Tyro "B" class, finished 27th overall in her class that had a total of 39 competitors. Arnold finished with an overall score of 34.0. She was fifth in the floor (8.95), ninth on the bar (8.9), 30th on the beam (7.65) and 31st on the vault (8.5).

Gail Eastwood, competing in her final meet, finished ninth overall in the Junior "B" competition with an overall score of 34.00. A total of 34 gymnasts competed in this class.

Eastwood was fourth in the floor (8.95), 10th in the vault (8.9), 12th on the bars (8.7) and 14th on the beam (8.25).

Powderpuff baseball action begins with 12-team league

By PAT McELROY
 Herald Correspondent
 The Georgetown Ladies Powderpuff League began its regular season last Monday. This year there are 12 teams and a total of 192 ladies participating. Games are played Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, beginning at 8:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds.

Pink 11
 Tumbler's 4
 Excellent hitting, including a home run by Loraine Tarzwell sparked the Pink's victory. Debbie Lindsay, Linda Perkins and Carol Hergaarden made great catches. Tumbler's Dianna Tripp hit a homer for the losers' side.

Purple Power 22
 Burgandy Bulldogs 10
 Purple Power's Barb Terry went five-for-five while Marge Snow and Connie Darling both went four-for-four, as all scored. Power's seventh inning produced eight runs to boost the score. Bulldogs' Mary Ann Bradley played well.

Red Foxes 17
 Black 13
 Even with eight runs in the first inning and excellent hitting by the Black team, led by Kim Kirk, the Red Foxes came out winners. Karen Smith had a good game at the plate, going three-for-three and scoring a number of runs. Penny Butterworth led the Foxes to their excellent comeback.

Dingbats 12
 Don's Flock 11
 Super defensive play by Virginia Walker

and Sharon Cater along with good pitching and timely hitting by Jean Puckering and a good effort by Arlene Finlay contributed to the tremendous come-from-behind win for Dingbats. Despite the loss, Don's Flock played well. Julie Fournier and Linda Brais had good nights hitting.

Golden Gloves 21
 Smurfettes 3
 Sue Haskins and Andrea Van De Valk led the Gloves team to the win. Eleven Golden Gloves runs were scored in the second inning. Holly Hume went three-for-three for the winners. Suzie Williams and Leanne Mackie made good catches for Smurfettes. Jennie David did some great stretching at first base.

Blue Jays 12
 Grey 11
 Jays' Judy Anderson led the team's hitting and scoring with good backup from her teammates. Grey's Lori Hofing hit well.

Black 18
 Blue Jays 15
 Six runs in the first inning held up to the end for the Black's win. Tammy Kirkwood and Kim Kirk hit safely and scored for the winners. Blue Jays' June Ford and Brenda Cole had good nights hitting and getting on base.

Don's Flock 8
 Purple Power 7
 This was a close game with the Flock persisting until the end. The whole team played well. Purple Power displayed good team effort but couldn't quite grasp the win.

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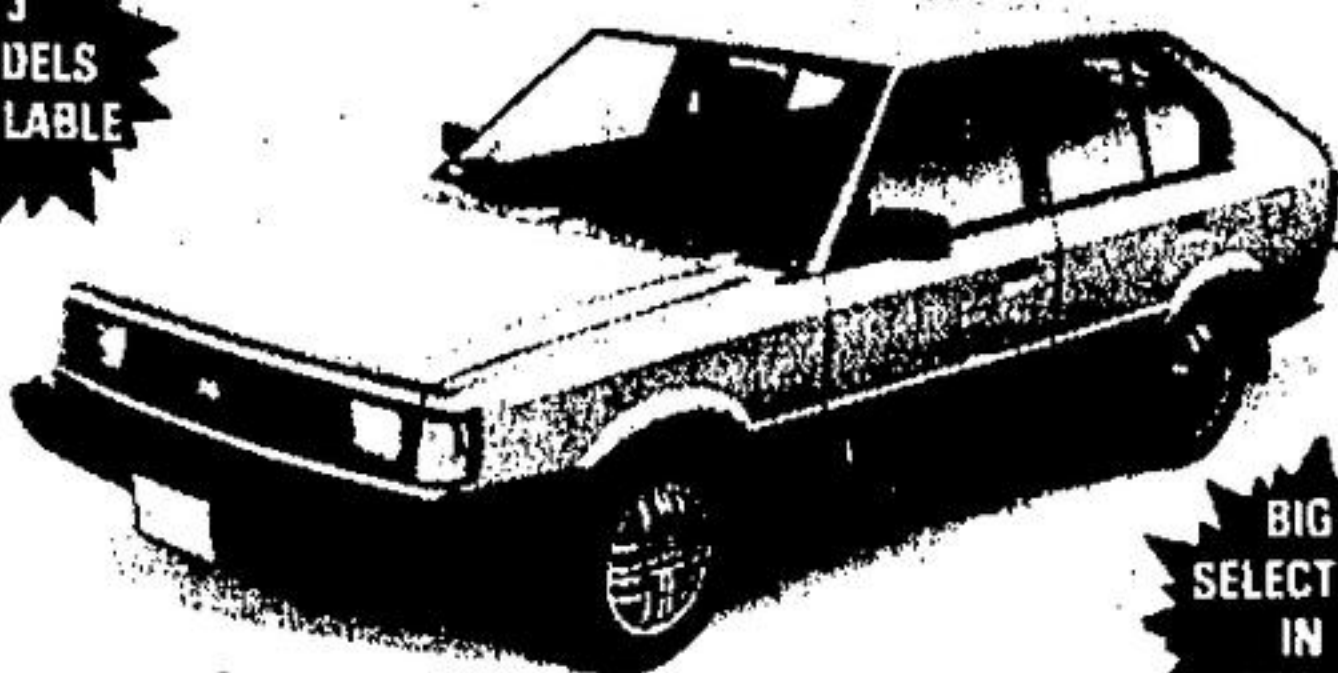
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