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**Playing
The Field**
By Dan Ralph
Herald Sports Editor

**Hockey
dream
a reality**

As a youngster playing hockey Tom Davidson had a dream of someday becoming a member of Canada's Olympic squad. Now, 18 years later that dream has become a reality.

The thirty-five year old Georgetown resident is presently scouting the Ontario Hockey League for potential Olympic talent for Canada's 1988 team that will play in Calgary. Davidson was offered the position by former Hockey Ontario director and Olympic team head scout Ron Smith, who called from Calgary about the position.

"I was surprised when he called me," Davidson said. "I've always wanted to play for the Olympic team, and thinking now in hindsight it is nice to be involved."

Davidson attends one junior game a week now, watching potential Olympians and sending in reports to Calgary. After Christmas Davidson will watch two or three games a week when the junior play improves.

"There's a big commitment involved in playing Junior hockey," Davidson said. "When I played there weren't teams in North Bay, Sault St. Marie and Sudbury. You could go to places like Kitchener and London in a night. I can see why it takes so long for the players to get the plays down. They have so little time to practise."

Davidson is a Level 5 coach and a Level 3 trainer (both as high as you can go). He played junior hockey with the Toronto Marlies, and university hockey with Sault St. Marie College in the United States

and Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Toronto. Davidson also has coached in the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association 11 years.

Davidson also has experience in the scouting field. As a student at Ryerson, Davidson worked with the scouting crew of Toronto Maple Leafs. The team had just implemented a computer system, and Davidson put the scouting information into computer language.

"I was able to talk with a lot of the scouts and saw a lot of games too," he said.

As a scout Davidson is given a list of those players he should keep an eye on. He said he has had to make some adjustments in how he watches a game now.

"Scouting has been tougher for me because I like watching hockey systems," he said. "I find it sometimes a little boring in having to watch only three to five players."

"After the first period I find myself saying I didn't see anything, but by the third I'm amazed that I'm able to notice the amount of potential or lack of it a player may have."

The self employed printer said for those talented players deemed Olympic potential, it takes a special type to commit himself this far ahead to the Olympic team.

"It is extremely difficult for the player to pass up a potential National Hockey League contract and go to the Olympic program and risk an injury," Davidson said. "But it is important to start now because you can't just throw a team together and get cohesiveness."

"I look for things like heart, desire and puck knowledge," Davidson said. "They're not hard to spot."



WE'RE NUMBER ONE - Senior boys volleyball player Brent Hutt proudly displays the Peel-Halton medal the Georgetown District High School team members received Wednesday after winning the championship 3-0 over Mayfield at the Georgetown gym. The all-Ontario "AA" championships are next for the Rebel squad. (Herald photo)

**Rebels easily win
volleyball berth**

The Georgetown District High School senior boys volleyball team didn't have much of a path to travel in order to advance to the all-Ontario "AA" championships.

The Rebels easily won the Peel-Halton title, defeating Mayfield 3-0 (15-6, 15-4, 15-10) and advanced to the OFSAA championships slated Friday and Saturday at Lakeshore Collegiate in Etobicoke. Wednesday's contest was hardly the type senior coach Grant Clatworthy wanted so close to the provincial championships.

"We weren't expecting to lose, but we thought they would play tougher," Clatworthy said. "It looked like they anticipated losing when they came in, and did."

"We made some errors that we normally don't make, but I think it was because we didn't have to work that hard," Clatworthy added.

In order to tune his troops up for the weekend tourney, Clatworthy has arranged for an exhibition game with the Peel-Halton "AAA" champs of North Park this week.

"We'll play them there and they'll push us," Clatworthy said.

"There will be some tough teams

(at the weekend tourney) and our preparation will be to work on our serving, concentrate so we all know our defensive responsibilities and utilize our free ball opportunities. I think our kids will be ready."

The top eight teams of the 16-team field will be seeded, and Clatworthy is confident his squad will come down with a seeding.

"I wouldn't be surprised if we were seeded in the top eight," he said. "Our goal will be to finish in the top eight, make the quarter-finals and then see what happens."

"If you go in and play well, things will go your way. Our kids are good enough to win a couple of games, and we'll be disappointed if we don't," Clatworthy said.

**Physical play lifts
Raiders out of slump**

By DAN RALPH
Herald Sports Editor

The wait for physical play from Georgetown Chrysler Raiders ended Friday with an impressive result.

The Raiders started out slowly (down 3-1 after first period), but out-muscled Dundas Real McCoys the last two periods in earning a 6-3 win. The victory snapped a three-game losing streak for the Raiders, and lifted the Ontario Senior "A" team's record to three wins against five losses.

What was impressive about Friday's win was the completeness of the Raiders' play in the second and third period. The forwards backchecked and broke out of their end with authority. The defence kept Dundas away from rookie goalie Mauro Dallilio, and played their best game of the young season.

But the most important aspect to the Raiders' win was their total commitment to physically beating their opponents to the puck. In the past few games that commitment had been lacking, and the Raiders were themselves being knocked off the puck.

Paul Gallagher and Larry Power had two goals each for the Raiders while singles went to Doug Fry and newcomer Graham Craig. Dave Ingram, Bob LaForest and Scott MacLellan scored for Dundas.

Georgetown had four new faces in their lineup Friday. With Dallilio and Graham, the Raiders dressed goalie Howard Fishman and defenceman Doug Poirier. Graham and Poirier were signed last week, but the two netminders were signed only Friday.

Georgetown's regular netminders were available as Dave Tataray was in Vancouver with the NHL. Oldtimers and Ron Webster had been released to accommodate Fishman and Dallilio.

Dallilio got the start because Fishman had 20 cc of fluid drained from his left knee Thursday. The three time Italian MVP played solidly facing 27 shots and said he was a little nervous before the game.

"I haven't been on the ice since August and it took me a period to settle down," he said. "I didn't know any of their systems and as the game went on the guys told me what they wanted and I got better."

"Once I get a couple more practices and games with these guys I'll be ready," he said.

The Raiders played the final two

periods without coach-general manager Gil Eyre. Eyre was given a game misconduct at the end of the first period after arguing with the referee about a five minute slashing call given to defenceman Jim File.

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ALL REBBED UP
Georgetown District High School junior girls basketball coach Moe Leeking (left) appears to be the exception here rather than the rule. The coach is calm and cool while members of his team yell words of encouragement to their teammates in Thursday's game with Acton Redmen. Georgetown won the game 30-19 for top spot in the North Division. See story and photo on page B4. (Herald photo by Dan Ralph)

Geminis end week on positive note

After starting the week on the short end of a 5-2 decision to Streetsville, Georgetown Geminis recorded a tie (3-3 vs Milton) and win (10-8 vs Nobleton), in their other two contests.

In Streetsville Tuesday the home team scored all five of its goals in the first two periods, including three power play tallies and a shorthanded goal. After scoring one goal in the second period, the Geminis added one in the third.

R.J. Farnworth and Wayne Morrow had the Georgetown goals. John Lockyer played the first two periods, and gave way to juvenile netminder Mike McNiven in the final frame.

Friday night the Geminis were in Milton, and had to overcome a two-goal deficit to come away with the tie. Rod McClure and Brian Demone scored in the third period to lift Georgetown to the deadlock. Farnworth had the Geminis first goal.

McNiven played in goal for the Geminis.

Saturday at home the Geminis stormed out to a 5-2 lead over Nobleton, then hung on for a 10-8 win. Nobleton tied the game early in the final frame 6-6 after trailing 6-4 after the second period. However, Georgetown went up by two goals midway through the period, only to have Nobleton make the score tight at 9-9 with 1:16 left. The

visitors had the power play late in the game, but Brian Demone's shorthanded tally put the game away for the Georgetown squad.

Morrow had two goals for Georgetown while Todd Cull, Terry Elwood, Brad Demone, McClure, Ray DeSouza, Greg Robertson and Chris Caponi had singles. McNiven again was in goal for the Geminis, and faced 36 shots in recording the win.

The weekend action leaves Georgetown with a record of six wins, nine losses and six ties for 19 points and seventh spot in the Central Ontario Junior "B" league standings. However, the Geminis trail Barrie by just two points and Vaughn by three in the battle for fifth spot.

Georgetown will be in Mimico Wednesday and in Oakville Friday before returning home to the Alcott Arena for another game with Nobleton starting at 7:30 p.m.

NOTES: Tuesday's game in Streetsville marked the return of team captain Don Zubyk. The Geminis' blueliner has been sidelined the past six weeks after undergoing orthoscopic knee surgery.... Georgetown was without the services of coach Jules Russiani, who sat out a two game suspension Tuesday in Streetsville. Russiani will assume the coaching duties tonight in Mimico. Assistant coach Larry White was behind the bench for the two weekend games.

**World junior
tourney notes**

Group formed

Both Georgetown Chrysler Raiders and Georgetown Minor Hockey Association have set up committees to begin working on the World Junior Hockey championship game that will be played here Jan. 2.

Representatives from the Raiders (Bob Hooper, Ron Faulkner, and Finn Poulstrup) and minor Hockey (Keith Bennett, Wayne Pries and Ian Ward and Dave Martin), met Friday at the Alcott Arena before the start of the Raiders' game with Dundas. The Raiders' delegation will be in charge of arena business (gate, booster club and dressing room preparation) while the minor hockey group will be responsible for protocol (who will drop opening puck, gifts for both teams, food for the teams after game and distribution of tickets).

There will be a total of 1,500 tickets that will be made available at a price of \$5 per ticket. To date, there have been requests for 400 tickets. The game will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The tickets are being printed, and can be purchased from any executive member from either organization. Ticket outlets have yet to be decided.

The committee will go under the name of The Hockey Group, and both Hooper and Bennett will act as co-chairman. The group will meet on a weekly basis.

Names to watch

The Swedish team coming here for the junior game will have a number of names familiar to National Hockey League scouts. At least nine players selected in the NHL draft the past two years could be on the squad.

Also, two of the best juniors in that country won't be making the trip. Mirael Andersson is playing with Buffalo Sabres while Heinz Ehlers (9th pick of New York Rangers) is ineligible as he played for his native Denmark in the European junior championships.

Names to watch for when Team Sweden arrives will be Sam Lindestahl (goalie-3rd pick NY Rangers '85 draft), Calle Johansson (defence-1st pick Buffalo in '85 draft), Frederik Olausson (defenceman-4th pick Winnipeg in '85 draft), Roger Johansson (defence-4th pick Calgary in '85 draft), Ulf Dahlien (forward-junior player of year last year and 1st pick Rangers in '85 draft), Tommy Eriksson (forward-4th pick Chicago in '84 draft), Mats Lundstrom (forward-5th pick Detroit '84 draft), Par Edmund (forward-2nd pick LA in '85 draft), and Roger Ohman (forward-2nd pick Winnipeg in '85 draft).

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