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Sports briefs

Hockey library

Anyone interested in the study of hockey may want to contribute to the Ontario Hockey Association's hockey library.

The OHA Board of Directors approved the formation of a library at their Jan. 7 meeting. The library will be used mainly to help students with research work.

OHA offices in Cambridge is the proposed location for the library which will feature up-to-date films, books and memorabilia. The association is asking the public, authors and publication houses for donations of cash or publications.

Donations of cash or publications will be received at the Ontario Hockey Association, 1425 Bishop Street Unit 6, Cambridge, Ontario, N1R 6J9. Acknowledgements for donations will be made at the end of the year.

Challenge Series

David E Branch, Commissioner of the Ontario Hockey League, this week announced that centre Brendan Shanahan of the London Knights would be the OHL's representative in the OHL/QMJHL between periods shoot-out during the 1987 Challenge Series.

The shoot-out will be held between the second and third period of both games in the 1987 Series. The first game is set for Ottawa Civic Centre on Tuesday, January 27 with the second game in Hull, Quebec on the following night, Wednesday, January 28.

Banner bowling

Heading into the thick of the tournament part of this bowling season, Georgetown youth bowlers are again making their mark in expectation of a banner year. Four girls and two boys have made it to the Provincial Finals of the "Pepel Challenge" Championships for educational students in Canada. The leading qualifier was Jennifer Palmer from Brampton with 996.

The top local gal was Dee Dee Haynes in second place with a four game total of 955 (238 avg.) with Trina Bassett next with a 927 total. Sandy Weeks also qualified with 911 while Traci Peggio came up with 908. Knocking on the door were Karen Doyle with 882, Clady Kavanagh and Tracy Ball 874, Julie McCorry 865, Teri Korzack 840, Christa Bird 815 and Tracy Weeks with 790.

The Georgetown Bowl boys to make the finals are Brian Bell 947 and Marc Bassett 878.

By SANDY CAMPBELL
Herald Staff

The Georgetown Gemini moved closer to a better playoff spot with two wins and a loss last week.

The sole loss was against the Burlington Cougars, third place team in the Central Ontario Junior "B" league. The score was 5-1 in Burlington Friday. The victories came against Vaughan Jan. 20 where the score was 5-0 and against Milton Saturday at home where the score was 8-2.

Monday the Gemini were in the top half of the league standings with a 16-15-5 record, making them fourth out of eight teams. So close in talent are the second to sixth place teams that the final standings are not crucial, Gemini coach Gary Hudson said. "Everyone can beat everyone," he said of the second through sixth place teams.

And every team makes the playoffs. The playoffs will be underway in three weeks. First place Barrie remains the team to beat.

With the loss Friday to Burlington the Gemini record against the Cougars is now two wins, two losses and one tie. Despite the 5-1 score Gemini goalie Dan Haliburton had a

strong performance between the pipes. "I wouldn't be exaggerating if I said he faced 60 shots and many of them from close range," Hudson said.

The Gemini had their chances to score many goals but could not. Passes rolled off sticks and shots went wide. It was just one of those nights. "Everybody was flat," Hudson said.

Everybody except the goalie. "That's been our strong part all year - goaltending," Hudson said. Georgetown's only goal was scored by Wayne Morrow with 3:30 left in the game.

It was the steady goaltending of Mike McNeven that led the Gems to a 5-0 victory over Vaughan Jan. 23. Facing between 35 and 40 shots McNeven "kept us in the game," Hudson said. Goal posts helped the Gemini cause too. Three posts were hit in the first period.

Defenceman Tom Purcell had a good game for the Gemini in their own end. "He played very aggressive," Hudson said. Defensively the entire back line played strong as they cleared the front of the net and didn't allow Vaughan to get the second shot.

Scoring in the game was done by Wayne Morrow with a pair, and singles by Rod McClure, Todd Cull and Wally Petri. For disputing a call, Todd Humphrey was given a ten minute misconduct, a game suspension and a two game suspension. "He was disputing a penalty he did not figure he deserved," coach Hudson said.

As expected the contest with Milton Saturday was one of muscle.

"They (Milton) didn't come to play hockey. They're all big and they came to intimidate. If you don't become intimidated you blow them

off the map," coach Hudson said. The 8-2 score in Georgetown's favor could have been worse for Milton, he said.

After two periods, Georgetown had a 6-0 lead. Wally Petri and Wayne Morrow each had shorthanded goals. Morrow also added a powerplay goal. Morrow had a hat-trick for the Gemini. Other goals were scored by Brad Demone, Tom Purcell, Joe Washkurak and Travis Cole.

Georgetown plays next 8 p.m. Friday at home against Nobleton.

Gems on roll to playoffs

Do not forget about soccer

On Feb. 16 the local youth soccer club will hold its spring annual general meeting at the Georgetown Alcott Arena commencing at 7:30 p.m. There the new executive will outline plans for the upcoming season.

After five years at the helm Klaus Zander has stepped down from the president's role but will remain with the club as a director. Outgoing also are the former vice president Jack White and girls convener Gail Melville. It will be remembered that these three hard working volunteers reorganized the club in 1984 and brought it through two of its most successful years to its current healthy state.

New President Dave Maloney welcomes Phyllis Harrison and Geoff Sketcher as new members of the board.

Important dates to watch for are March 7 and April 4 when registrations will take place at the Gordon Alcott Arena. Times on both dates will be 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Club has obtained the use of the GDHS Gym 3 on Sundays from 11

a.m. through 5 p.m. for the following programs starting Feb. 1:

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Girls Soccer School - Coached by Archie Tanock. Phone 877-3190.

12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Coaches School and Boys under 14 - George Baines. Phone 877-5573.

2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Boys aged 15 to 21 - Dave Maloney. Phone 877-1967.

3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Open Five a side soccer for boys 14 to 18 - Contact Bill Harrison, 877-4501.

Coaching Director George Baines has designed these programs to try and upgrade the skills and techniques of both players and coaches, in response to requests made of him during the 1986 season.

The Club is always looking for new volunteers as coaches, referees, conveners and team managers.

People to contact are: Dave Maloney - President 877-1967, Isabel McNeily - Vice President 877-2714, George Baines - Tech. Director 877-5573, Bill Harrison - Boys Commissioner, 877-4501, Stu Cary - Girls Commissioner 877-6531.

Balancing act



With the greatest of concentration and steadiest leg Heidi Wernke is perfectly still on the balance beam. She is a member of the Halton Hills Jills at the Pro-Competitive 1 level. (Like her teammates who meet twice weekly at the Rose Room in Georgetown, Heidi is practicing for the day she will compete, when she has reached the Pro-Competitive 2 level. (Herald photo)