

Shemin Nurseries makes big comeback

Victory and a great comeback highlighted the week for Shemin Nurseries Peewee "A's" in the first round of OMHA playdowns against Milton Shemin Nurseries.

After losing 1-0 in Milton last Sunday, Georgetown was ready for the home game Tuesday night, registering a 6-2 win. Allowing Milton to go ahead 2-0 in the first period, the locals finally came alive in the second when Jake Poulstrup converted a pass from Jeff Pettigrew

and Jeff Timmons.

After the five minute rest and a pep talk from Coaches Poulstrup and Ciglen, Georgetown came out flying with goals by Craig Juby, Chad Hartman, Chris Burns, Mike Oldrieve and Steve Ciglen. Assists went to Brad Tutt, Claude Johnston, Poulstrup, Burns, Timmons and Hartman.

Back in Milton Thursday night for the final game of the series, Georgetown Shemin Peewees put the first goal on the board in the se-

cond period when Juby netted a marker assisted by Timmons and Pettigrew.

Not to be outdone, Milton came back three minutes later to tie it going into the third. With tension mounting, the action got faster and tougher, when at the 12-minute mark, Claude Johnston fired the winner on a pass from Burns.

With strong goaltending by Peter Downs and great discipline, the team earned the right to go on to the second round against Ancaster.



It was an all-Etobicoke championship final Saturday at the Annual Co-ed Broomball Tournament, sponsored by the Halton Hills Parks and Recreation Department in conjunction with The Herald. Here, Mark Ziller of The Herald presents the championship trophy to Margot Wheeler, captain of the Etobicoke Rat Patrol after they defeated Etobicoke Parks and Recreation 2-1 in the final. (Herald photo)

Major midgets beat rivals

In the first round of Tri-County playoff games, Georgetown Major Midgets beat rivals Milton in three straight games to advance into the next round.

In the first game at Alcott Arena, the locals won 3-1 in a good hockey game which was close throughout.

The first goal came in the opening period from Terry Dixon on assists by Rob Cooper and Neil Munro.

In the second period Cooper upped the score to 2-0 with assists to Mike Ross and Craig Nicolucci.

Milton came back with a goal early in the third period, but an unassisted goal from Cooper late in the game finished Milton.

Game Two at Milton saw the Sunny Acre Midgets down 2-0 at the end of the first. Dixon gave Georgetown the only goal of the second period with an assist from Ross.

The local lads finally woke up in the third to blast in three more goals from Ross, Rory Kennedy and Tim Bennett with assists going to Dixon, Kennedy, Dave Harris, Mark Hillier and Ross.

Milton came back with a goal but

too late to even the score and the locals took the second game 4-3.

Game Three back at Alcott on Sunday ended in a 3-1 win for Georgetown.

After a scoreless first period, Bennett opened for Georgetown assisted by Chuck Peebles and Munro. Milton came back to tie the game within minutes. Then the locals replied with a goal from Cooper assisted by Dixon and Ross.

The game was put out of Milton's reach in the third period with a goal from Peebles on assists by Harris and Ross.

The next series will be against the winners of the Chinguacousy and Stoney Creek playoffs.

Novices advance in OMHA

The North Halton Sports Major Novices defeated Brampton two games straight, to advance to the next round of the OMHA playoffs.

Tuesday evening, the teams were locked in a two-all tie after regulation time, but North Halton's overtime experience showed through in the extra 10-minute period, as they dominated play.

Fraser Thom opened the scoring for Georgetown early in the second period, on an unassisted effort, and Scott Truman notched the other goal to send the teams to overtime. Marc Boucher and Kevin Lumb assisted on the Truman marker.

In overtime, Georgetown took a two-goal lead. Paul Sandifer scored from Boucher, and David Boere added the other from Robbie Monckton and Scott Lahey. Brampton had a lone reply to make the final 4-3.

The second game of the series was in Brampton Saturday, and this time the Georgetown squad chose not to leave the match to be decided in overtime.

Led by Josh Richardson, who had his best game to date, the locals outskated their opposition and completely dominated play. The first goal, early in the second, was set up beautifully by Sandy Davidson and Thom. They got the puck to Richardson, who fired a crisp shot to the top right corner.

Georgetown's second goal was also scored in the second period, as Jeff Hewitt set up Boere.

Then in the third, for insurance, Lumb and Richardson set up Boucher for the third goal of the evening.

It was an excellent outing for the North Halton defence. All three goals came as the direct result of blue line plays to keep the puck in the opponents' end.

The goaltending of David Pearson, who earned his first playoff shutout, cannot be overlooked either, however.

The next round of the OMHA playdowns will see Georgetown meet the first-place Streetsville, beginning Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Streetsville.

The series will be a best-of-three set.

Wheels already in motion for upcoming ball season

Even though the weather isn't conducive to stolen bases and double plays, that hasn't stopped the Georgetown Baseball Association from setting the wheels in motion for the upcoming baseball season.

Two registration seasons were held last week for rep team players, as the first step in determining the categories for entry in the Central Ontario Baseball Association circuit.

Rich Lorito, who has served one year as president of the association, has now turned the reins over to newly-elected president Hal Ridley. "My role now is to offer organizational support," Lorito says. "Hal's picked things up very fast. He's only a week or so off being able to take over completely."

Ridley is a teacher and physical education department head at Britannia Secondary School in Mississauga, and lives in Georgetown.

Naturally his background in sports had a lot to do with him becoming involved in minor ball.

"I've spent a lot of time involved with teams at the school, but not so much at the local level. My son played bantam ball for the first time in Georgetown last year, and I was very impressed with the way ball was organized here."

The GBA appeared to be on shaky ground last fall when fewer than a dozen interested people turned out for the annual meeting. But Ridley says they have filled many of the positions on the executive and should have a firm foundation for the upcoming season.

"I probably have the least experience of anyone involved," Ridley says. "But I took on the responsibility knowing full well I had a solid executive behind me."

For rep teams, Georgetown is expected to have entries for tyke, peewee, two bantam squads, midget and juvenile.

This will mark the first time in



The Georgetown Baseball Association opened registrations for rep team players who are looking to compete on local teams this season. Here, GBA president Hal Ridley helps Scott VanDeValk fill out his registration form. (Herald photo)

several years Georgetown has fielded a juvenile rep team, but the executive feels there will be enough interest, given the success of last season's midgets, and the number of over-aged players, who have moved up.

Dr. Boyd Hoddinott has been named coach for the juveniles, Al Gardner will guide the midgets, and John Wright is to handle the peewees. Mike Murdock will coach one of the two bantam teams, while coaches are still being sought for the other bantam squad and the tykes.

While the executive has filled out nicely, there still remain a few positions open. Ridley says they require

conveners for tyke and peewee ball in the house league ranks, and others are needed to serve on various committees.

The GBA caters to over 300 youngsters in both rep and house league ball. Registration for house league players is expected to begin in early March and will also provide another chance for rep players to register.

It has been decided there will be no large scale fund raising project conducted by the association this season. So for the first time in several years, registration fees have been increased. The fee for t-ball players is \$45, while other calibres of

players will pay \$50, at the house league levels. There is an additional charge on top of this for those who are selected for the rep teams.

As newly-elected president, Ridley says he intends to continue with projects and programs that have proven successful in the past.

One event which will return for the upcoming season will be the peewee baseball tournament, June 19-20, which is sanctioned by the Ontario Baseball Association.

Lorito says the tournament has become an event that many look forward to each year.

"People have been very positive about that. Many are coming back for their third and fourth years."

For future endeavors, Ridley says he would like to see a few things implemented for minor ball, from a personal standpoint. One is to see each of the players wearing team jackets, which he feels would help bolster confidence and pride.

Another is to obtain a batting cage and pitching machine, as a means of helping young players improve their batting skills.

But the bottom line for the GBA remains the same.

"Our main objective is just to offer baseball at a recreational and competitive level to players in Georgetown," Ridley says. "I don't think we want to get away from that aspect. We want the boys to enjoy themselves through the mechanism of baseball."

Other members of the 1987 GBA executive include Keith Mills, vice-president in charge of equipment; Ted Barrow, vice-president in charge of house league operations; and Gary Mizener, vice-president in charge of rep teams.

Donna Blight is secretary and Brenda Lee is treasurer.

Brian Hannah will serve as umpire-in-chief for the house league teams, and Frank Van De Valk will hold the position for rep teams.

Al Jones and Jack Wallinga are serving as house league conveners.