

Bantam tourney set to start Saturday

The 27th Annual International Bantam Hockey Tournament kicks off this weekend at the Gordon Alcott Arena, opening a full week's showcase of the finest in minor hockey talents. Georgetown will have two teams competing, as the M and M Pro Sports Major Bantams are in the B Division, and the Johnson and Associates Bantams will play in the D Division.

The entire slate of games follows:

Sat. March 14/87				
8.30 A.M.	C	Meadowvale	vs	Preston
9.45	B	Georgetown	vs	Agincourt
11.00	C	Unionville	vs	Saltfleet
12.15	A	Mississauga	vs	Barrie
1.45	B	Agincourt	vs	London
3.00	C	Meadowvale	vs	Unionville
4.14	A	Michigan Nats.	vs	Barrie
5.30	C	Preston	vs	Saltfleet
6.45	B	Georgetown	vs	London
8.00	A	Chingacousy	vs	Michigan Nats.
Mon. March 16/87				
8.30 A.M.	B	Waterloo	vs	Milton
9.45	B	Niagara Falls	vs	East Enders
11.00	C	Meadowvale	vs	Saltfleet
12.15	A	Chingacousy	vs	Mississauga
1.45	B	Waterloo	vs	London
3.00	B	Waterloo	vs	Niagara Falls
4.15	B	Milton	vs	East Enders
5.30	C	Preston	vs	Unionville
6.45	A	Chingacousy	vs	Barrie
8.00	B	Chatham	vs	Georgetown
Tues. March 17/87				
9.45 A.M.	B	Chatham	vs	Agincourt
11.00	B	Waterloo	vs	East Enders
12.15	C	Cawthra Park	vs	Kitchener
1.30	D	Georgetown	vs	Richmond Hill
3.00	B	Brooklin-Whitby	vs	Oakville

4.15	C	Cawthra Park	vs	Agincourt
5.30	B	Milton	vs	Niagara Falls
Wed. March 18/87				
8.30 A.M.	D	Georgetown	vs	Wexford
9.45	C	Kitchener	vs	Agincourt
11.00	A	Thornhill	vs	Hamilton East
12.15	B	Oakville	vs	Windsor
1.30	D	Richmond Hill	vs	Wexford
3.00	A	Thornhill	vs	Sarnia
4.15	C	Kitchener	vs	Riverside
5.30	B	Brooklin-Whitby	vs	Hamilton
6.45	D	Georgetown	vs	Tillsonburg
8.00	A	Hamilton East	vs	Don Mills
Thurs. March 19/87				
8.30 A.M.	C	Cawthra Park	vs	Riverside
9.45	D	Richmond Hill	vs	Tillsonburg
11.00	B	Oakville	vs	Hamilton
12.15	A	Thornhill	vs	Don Mills
1.30	A	Hamilton East	vs	Sarnia
3.00	B	Windsor	vs	Hamilton
4.15	C	Agincourt	vs	Riverside
5.30	D	Wexford	vs	Tillsonburg
6.45	A	Sarnia	vs	Don Mills
8.00	B	Brooklin-Whitby	vs	Windsor
Fri. March 20/87				
8.30 A.M.	D Final	Div. I 1st	vs	Div. 12nd
9.45	C	Div. I 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
11.00	C	Div. II 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
12.15	B	Div. I 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
1.45	A	Mississauga	vs	Michigan Nats.
3.00	B	Div. II 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
4.15	B	Div. III 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
5.30	A	Div. II 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
6.45	A	Div. I 1st	vs	Div. II 2nd
8.00	B	Winner Game 51	vs	Winner Game 53

Casselman's steamroll Ching.

By RON KERSLAKE
Herald Special

Last weekend the Casselman Fuels AA Minor Novices rolled to an 8-0 win over Chingacousy in their Tri-County playoffs - actually more like steamroll.

Right from the start of the game, there was very little doubt that the team was playing for their fourth straight win.

Nathan Milne got the first one from Andy Kerslake and Gary McNiven. And six seconds later Pete Mashinter got his first goal, unassisted.

Late in the second Jamie Briggs stuffed one past the Chingacousy goalie and then his defence partner, Ryan Taylor, was set up by Pete and Robert Walsh.

Milne got his second of the game assisted by McNiven again and then Gary and Pete got the puck out of the corner for Andy Kerslake to score.

Mashinter then got his second goal unassisted and Robert Walsh wrapped up the scoring after taking a pass from Warren Evans.

Life after hockey means coping with changes

When a professional hockey player's career comes to an end, there comes a time when that player must become accustomed to an entirely different lifestyle.

Some players will parlay their knowledge of the game into a paid position with a professional club, whether as a member of the coaching staff or upper management.

Others will continue to pursue business interests they may have endeavored upon during their playing days, while still others will be faced with the prospect of having to find a job in some other field, for the sake of supporting themselves and their families.

For Gordie Howe, the transition from professional hockey to "civilian life" was a gradual one.

Today Howe and his wife Colleen are business partners and between

speaking engagements, such as one at the Georgetown Hockey Heritage Council Award Dinner recently, and controlling their other interests, the two are kept exceptionally busy.

As an observer, Mrs. Howe has drawn some interesting conclusions about life during and after a player's career in hockey.

"All during their career, there's so little opportunity to learn anything else about themselves, what they're capable of," she says. "It's almost like being reborn into an entirely new life."

Aside from her husband, Mrs. Howe has also been able to study the plight of the retiring hockey player from another's viewpoint. Their son Marty has recently retired from the professional ranks, and is now "learning what real life is all about," she says.

For years, someone makes travel arrangements for players, tells

them when to be where, and what for. Suddenly one day, they wake up and find the onus is on themselves to make all the decisions in their life, and it takes some getting used to, she says.

For some, a life in hockey does not necessarily have to end when their playing days do.

Gordie still remains involved with the Hartford Whalers to a certain degree.

But perhaps one of the best indications of the sport looking after its own is in the City of Brotherly Love.

"The good organizations will train

someone if they want them to work in the organization," Howe says. "Bobby Clark made the transition from player to management very easily for the Philadelphia Flyers."

Howe's contacts with large corporations he represents, allows him the opportunity to broaden his knowledge of the business world, and it's a working relationship he relishes.

The more he learns about an industry, the more he can talk about it and pass along information.

The Howes try to balance their schedule so there is time to spend

with their family, and also to have to themselves. Mrs. Howe handles the bookings, and according to Gordie, they haven't had a foul up in the more than 30 years they have been married.

During his playing days, Howe sometimes found it necessary to remind himself and his teammates that "the money's great, and the hours are short", especially when the team was perhaps in a slide.

Today, the Howes' schedule is not dictated by the duration of a hockey season, but that doesn't mean it's any less hectic, or rewarding.

Hockey Moms lose to Orangeville

The Major Atom Hockey Moms lost their Tri-County semifinal series to Orangeville two games to none.

Orangeville took the final game 3-1 Thursday night in Georgetown.

The visitors scored at the 6:53 mark of the first period and at the 5:06 mark of the second period before Georgetown's Ryan Brain scored after being set up by Andrew Marshall and Jason Walker at the 5:56 mark of the second period.

The Hockey Moms fought back hard but could not get the equalizer. Matt Deruchie had a great chance as he skated in all alone on the Orangeville goalie only to shoot it past the post after faking the goalie out.

The visitors scored at the 3:14 mark of the third period to put Georgetown further in the hole. The Georgetown team continued to fight back but Orangeville managed to

stop all their efforts to get in close and shoot.

The important thing about the season is that the kids had fun playing hockey for Dwayne Hay, John Andrews and Mick Crowe.

March swimming

The two Halton Hills Indoor Pools have planned a fun-filled week of special swims during the March Break. Some of the activities include Graffiti Day Swim, Slumber Party Swim and an assortment of public and adult swims which begin on March 16 to March 20 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information call 877-5185 ext. 276.

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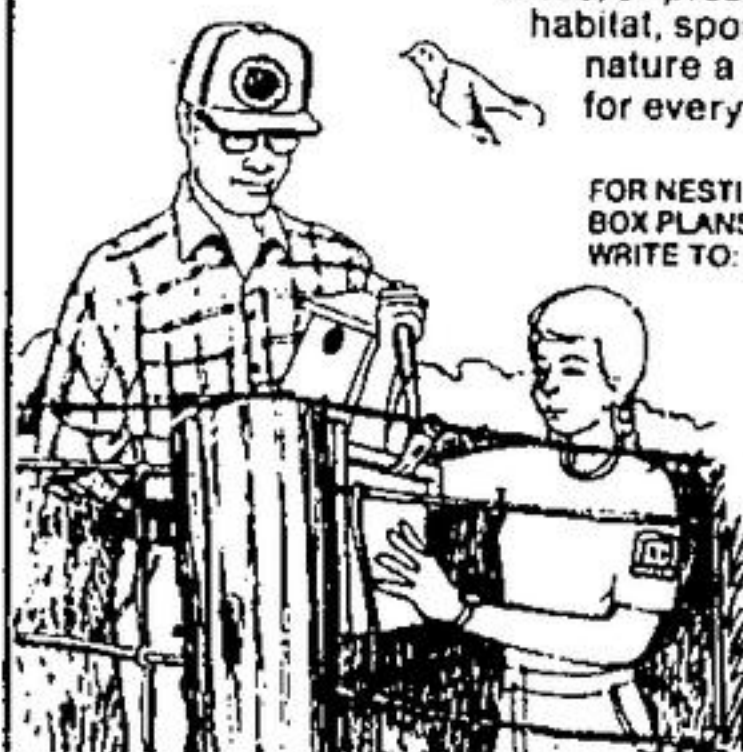
There will be free skating at the three arenas during the March Break. A special schedule has been drawn up so you can enjoy skating daily. If you would like additional information of the skating times please contact the arena nearest you.

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