

Close, but no cigar...

# Gems' winless ways continue

In analyzing the plight of the 1987-88 Georgetown Pontiac-Buick Gemini, the overworked adage "close but no cigar" seems to come to mind continuously.

On the weekend, the Gems' record slipped to 2-11-1, as they dropped a pair of decisions in the Central Jr. B loop.

Friday in Oakville, Georgetown led 5-3 after two frames, but couldn't hold on, as the Blades came back to take a 7-5 victory.

Then on Saturday, with the Alcott Arena doing its best imitation of a tomb in the true spirit of Halloween, the Milton Merchants spoiled the Gems' Price Beater Night by taking a 6-5 decision over the locals.

But, while there's no cigar smoke coming from the Georgetown locker room, Coach Peter Sturgeon isn't pushing any panic buttons just yet.

"Right now, we're trying to get over the hump," Sturgeon says. "The guys are getting a little frustrated right now. But at some point in time, with the effort these kids are putting in, we're going to go over it."

The Gems showed flashes of brilliance Saturday night against Milton. The problem was, they were too few and too far between. Joe Washkurak turned in a solid game and appears to have settled in nicely to a position as rearguard, after being moved back from the forward line.

But for the Gems to turn around their dismal start, they'll have to be firing on all cylinders.

"Everything we work on is based on a team system," Sturgeon says. "When one guy isn't working, the other four guys on the ice try to compensate. When everybody's concentrating on a team effort, we'll get over the hump."

Saturday, with sponsor Barry Whitworth behind the bench assisting Sturgeon, the Merchants drew first blood as the Gems got sloppy on a power play opportunity and gave up a goal to Grant Perrebat 6:55.

Georgetown pulled even when Washkurak picked up a pass from Adam Bennett just over centre, made a nifty move on the lone Milton defenceman, and fired a shot past goalie Bill Martin at 13:23.

The Gems took the lead with just over two minutes left in the first period when Jim McCabe punched the puck through Martin's pads after



SCARY STUFF-Halloween provided no treats for the Georgetown Gemini as they dropped a 6-5 decision to the Milton Merchants Saturday night at the Alcott Arena. Here, Gemini goalie Dan Halliburton is unsuccessful in his attempt to stop a shot late in the game, which proved to be the winning goal. (Herald photo)

pick-up the rebound of a Greg Brazeau shot.

Milton stormed ahead in the second on hour consecutive goals. Greg Collings, Grant Foster, Chris Reier, and Perrebat all tallied to make it 5-1 in the Merchants' favor.

The Gemini closed the gap to three with 1:45 left in the period as newly-acquired forward Mike Foy mixed it up in front of the Milton net, and allowed Rod McClue to cash in from the slot.

In the third, Washkurak made it a 5-4 game when he blasted a shot from just outside the blueline that fooled Martin at 4:38.

Collings scored what proved to be the winner with two and a half minutes remaining as Gem goalie

Dan Halliburton came out to cut down the angle, but was unable to corral the shot.

With Halliburton on the bench, and Georgetown on the powerplay, Brazeau scored from Washkurak with 15 seconds on the clock to make it 6-5, but that was as close as Georgetown would come.

Scarcely 100 fans gave up their trick-or-treating privileges to see the Gems' game.

Friday, Oakville took a 2-1 lead after the first period, but trailed the Gems 5-3 after the second. Four unanswered goals in the third, however, earned the win for the Blades.

Washkurak pulled the trigger on a pair of Georgetown goals, while

singles went to Bennett, Travis Cole, and Glen Halgh. Three of those markers came on the powerplay.

J.P. Hatala had two for the Blades, while singles went to Greg Sikora, Steve Richard, Greg Moore, Mark Vanvliet, and Brad Demone.

The Gemini take the road for their next three games, making way for the Oldtimers' Tournament in Georgetown this weekend.

Thursday, they're in Newmarket, while Friday they travel to Burlington to face the division-leading Cougars. Both are 8 p.m. games.

Then next Wednesday, they're in Mimico for an 8 p.m. start. Georgetown's only two wins of the season have come against the Monarchs.

# Oldtimer tourney to start Thursday

The Third Annual Georgetown Hockey Heritage Council Oldtimers' Hockey Tournament gets under way Thursday night and continues through the weekend, with 32 teams vying for championships in four divisions.

The tournament has continued to grow in size and popularity since its inception, and this year's version of the event promises to be every bit as enjoyable.

Both Memorial Arena and Gordon Alcott Arena will be used for the tournament, which gets under way Thursday at 7 p.m., when Brampton Vintage Plus takes on Duracell Rebels at Alcott in the A Division, and the Milton Fife Wheel Centennials face the Horizon Old Stars at Memorial.

Action continues Friday night, and picks up again Saturday morning,

with a full slate of games throughout the day.

Semi-final playoffs will begin Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. for the teams in D Division, which has a total of 16 teams competing in four series. The top teams in each series advance to the semi-finals to decide who will play in the final.

The B Division is divided into two series of four teams each, with the top two teams in each series advancing to the semi-finals which begin at 11:30 a.m.

The A and C Divisions will have the top two teams in each advancing to the finals, with the A final set for 1:30 p.m. and C final slated for 2:30 p.m.

The D Division final is at 3:30 p.m. and the B Division final is at 4:30

p.m. All games Sunday are at the Alcott Arena.

Member of the divisional championship teams will receive equipment bags courtesy of Carling O'Keefe, one of the sponsors of the tournament. Members of the finalists' teams receive medallions.

There will also be awards made to the Most Valuable Players for both teams in each of the divisional championships.

Among the other attractions planned for the weekend are a dance at the Alcott Auditorium Saturday night, and a roast beef luncheon Sunday for the participants.

Proceeds raised through the tournament will be used for various projects in the community, and to assist various organizations.

Among the teams competing will be representatives of Fort Erie, Kil-

chener, Brampton, Weston, Galt, Scarborough, Toronto, Milton and Burlington.

The Georgetown Sunday Nites will also be competing in the D Division, and members of the team will also be helping to operate the tournament.

The Sunday Nites see action Thursday at 10 p.m. against Tuesday Night Trouble at Memorial Arena. Saturday, they take on the Colonel's Old Boys at 10 a.m. at Alcott, and Saturday evening at 8 p.m. they round out their divisional play with a game against Sunny Lea at Memorial.

## Nominations now open for municipal awards

Applications are now available for the Municipal Awards Evening which will be held Feb. 10, 1988.

If you know someone who has brought honour to our community service in 1987 be sure to nominate them before December 21st for recognition.

In addition to the Municipal Awards, traditionally given out to the recipients this year the Mayor and Town Council will be presenting special awards in honour of the XV Olympic Winter Games in Calgary.

Award categories for "Celebration '88" medals are:

-Athlete - choose one male and one female for their outstanding contribution to their sport and community.

-Volunteer - choose an individual for devoting his or her time to encouragement of fair play and sportsmanship and for bringing out the best in the athletes under his or her guidance.

-Coach - choose an individual for devoting his or her time to the encouragement of fair play and sportsmanship and for bringing out the best of the athletes under his/her guidance.

-Official - choose an individual for

devoting his/her time to the promotion of fair play and sportsmanship.

-Sponsor - choose a business that has contributed monetarily, or with services in kind, towards the development of amateur sport in your community.

If you know of someone who you feel is deserving of these special awards please complete a Municipal Awards Nomination Form. Application forms may be picked up at the Recreation and Parks Department on James Street in Georgetown, Acton Indoor Pool, Finance Department on Main Street, or the Clerk's Department on Trafalgar Road in Georgetown.

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### Bowling

**ROWERS OF THE WEEK**  
John Doherty - 827 (311)  
Andy Parent - 808 (307)

**MEN'S LEAGUE:** Oliver Larocque 710 (318), Ron McGowan 710 (288), Jim Kennedy 705 (274).

**TUES. AFT. LADIES:** Anne Nicholson 802 (282).

**TUES. NITERS LEAGUE:** Bob Normore 706 (282).

**SMITH AND STONE LEAGUE:** John Doherty 827 (311).

**WED. MIXED:** Andy Parent 808 (307), Mary Zilio 753 (264), Arnie Pundack 700 (262).

**COLLEEN AGE:** Harry Haylock 706 (301).

**CLUB TROUBADOUR:** Roger Gervais 744 (287).

**GEORGETOWN Y.R.C.**  
SENIORS: Brian Bell 701 (279), Sandy Weeks 710 (311), Mark Prevost 729 (282), Traci Peggie 636 (281), Marc Bassett 630 (261), Todd Hare 623 (247), Karen Doyle 608 (230), David Ridley 600 (234).

**JUNIORS:** Christina Lane 672 (243), David Rivard 605 (240), Robert Harrison 602 (265), Shari Loke 601 (242), Alex Bertrand 565 (238), Sharon Shapcott 556 (221), Joanne Maloney 555 (223), Brady Chandler 556 (230).

**BANTAMS:** Robin Zander 604 (194), Alan Larocque 449 (188), Kevin Shapcott 433 (158), Jeff Pringle 404 (141).

**PEZ-WEES:** Janice Somers 317 (131), Paul Larocque 281 (118), Matthew Walker 377 (196), Allison Hutchins 267 (295), Lynn Moreland 256 (98).

**SMURFS:** Jennifer Cabral 273 (93), Melissa Lane 229 (97).

**GOLDEN AGE BOWLING LEAGUE:**  
High Single Flat

Vil Hewitt	229
Freddy Goudy	204
George Archibald	206
Bob Harris	218

High Single With Handicap

Vil Hewitt	282
Freddy Goudy	290
George Archibald	296
Bob Harris	343

High Triple Flat

Vil Hewitt	531
Nora Turk	517
George Archibald	602
Bob Harris	574

High Triple With Handicap

Freddy Goudy	723
Nora Turk	708

### Minor hockey

**PEEWEE**  
Team #1 - 1

Goals: Nigel King  
Assists: Jamie Richardson

Team #2 - 18

Goals: Stephen Lacroix 5, Paul Goggin 2, Jim Brunton, Ryan Craig, Andy Jones  
Assists: Paul Goggin 2, Jerimiah Peadly, Ryan Schirk

Team #3 - 7

Goals: Brad Cullbert 2, John Moore, Steve Smith, Mike MacInnes, Jeff Dickey, Mike Hancock  
Assists: Eric Bodin, Mike Hancock 2, Jeff Dickey, Jeff Dwyer

Team #4 - 4

Goals: David Zytstra 2, Ryan Lee 2  
Assists: Chris Bredon 2, Bill Sullivan

Team #5 - 16

Goals: Matt Deruchie 5, Andrew Marshall 4, Cory Hickey 3, Scott Ryan, Robbie Brown 2, Robbie Campbell  
Assists: Robbie Campbell 2, Matt Deruchie

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