

Jim McCabe (4) of the Georgetown Gemini has found his scoring touch since taking over the team's captaincy earlier this season. In his last 10 games, McCabe has scored nine times and added 12 assists to help fuel the Georgetown offensive attack. Here, McCabe is in a familiar spot mak-

ing it tough for Etobleoke goalie Marco Decimelli, during a 5-5 tle with the Capitals Friday night. Paul Stafford of the Caps tries to clear McCabe from his perch at the edge of the crease. (Herald photo)

Newcomer Jeff Edgar helps bolster defence

Sabres slip quietly into second place

The Acton Sabres found themselves up against a tough, revitalized Schomberg team, but turned in a solid effort to defeat their opponents 5-3.

The win boosted the Sabres' record to 14-10-1 in the Mid-Ontario Junior C Hockey League and kept them in the thick of a battle for second place with Caledon and Brad-

The Orangeville Crushers continue to lead the pack with a record of 20 wins against three losses for 40 points. Following action Monday, the Sabres had slipped by Caledon and Bradford, and were in second with 29 points. Bradford (14-10-0) was in third, just one point back of the Sabres at 28, while Caledon (13-10-1) was fourth with 27 points.

Rounding out the seven-team league standings are Schomberg (10-14-0) with 20 points, the Alliston Hornets (8-12-1) with 17 points, and Grand Valley (1-21-1) at three points.

Schomberg surprised the Sabres Monday night with the addition of a few players to their line-up.

But after duelling to a one-all draw In the first period, the Sabres scored four times in the second to take the lead 5-2.

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Scoreboard

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club," said Acton general manager Jules Russiani of the Schomberg squad. "We played really well for the win."

Monday's game in Schomberg marked the first appearance in the Acton line-up by newly-acquired defenceman Jeff Edgar

Russiani describes the Sabres' new rearguard as not flashy, but a very capable stay-at-home type of player.

"For the first game, he did very well," Russiani said, "He'll certainly help us, especially with our shortened defence the way it's

Edgar picked up a pair of assists in the contest with Schomberg, Last season, he played with the Mississauga Torspos of the Metro Junior B League, up until January. Since then, he hasn't been playing any hockey, other than the pick-up variety, but according to Russiani, it never showed Monday.

Tom Fisher led the Sabres' scoring attack with two goals and a pair of assists. Singles went to Box! Me-Clure, Todd Cull, and Steve Wagner. Replying for Schomberg were Eric Speers, Paul Staples, and Don

Chateau bantams double up Oakville, lose to Brampton

The Chateau Restaurant Bantams split a pair of games on the weekend, doubling Oakville 4-2, and dropping a close 5-4 decision to Brampton. Wednesday, the Chateau squad

was in Oakville for the first time this season, and returned with a victory. Georgetown opened the scoring

when Adam Hilts took a Trevor Elinesky pass and pumped a shot into the top corner. Oakville evened it up midway

through the period, but Hilts regained the Georgetown lead with another goal, this time from Doug Crawford and Mitch Butt. Brad Tutt scored in the second

period after a beautiful pass from Chad Hartman to give Georgetown a 3-1 lead, with just 19 seconds on the clock.

Oakville attempted to make a comeback, scoring a powerplay goal at the six minute mark of the third, but Hilts tallied again to complete his hattrick, assisted by Crawford and Butt, to put the game out of

reach. Chateau coach Garry Hartman made it known he was less than pleased with the officiating in the match. As a result of questionable calls made late in the game, Georgetown was left with only two regular defencemen to carry the

weight in their next two games. Saturday at the Alcott Arena, the Chateau squad felt the effects of their weakened defence as they hosted Brampton.

.. Mounting and impressive offensive attack. Georgetown took a quick three-goal lead on markers by Elinesky, Hartman, and Duane Lewis. Picking up assists on the scoring plays were Rob Lang, Sean

Guistini, Tutt, and Lewis. But that was all the offensive force the Chateau team could muster, before Brampton started to break down their weakened defence.

Brampton scored a pair of quick goals early in the second period before Tutt notched an unassisted marker, which proved to be Georgetown's final tally of the

The rest of the game, it was all Brampton as they scored three unanswered goals against the tired Minor Bantam squad.

"We just run out of steam," said roach Hartman. "They had a full bench and we really felt the loss of (defencemen) Brad Amato and Adam Hagen. With injuries and suspensions, our defence was only at 30 per cent, and moving players back every other shift just weakened our offence."

The Chateau Restaurant Bantams will compete in the Wayne Gretzky Tournament hosted by Brantford during the Christmas holldays, and won't be on the ice for a home game until mid-January.

The Chateau Minor Bantam hockey team wishes a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all their supporters.

Tom Hill earned the win in net for

Russiani is still keeping his eye open for players who will be able to help the Sabres down the stretch to the playoffs, and he says there are prospects they are investigating.

Acton hoped to add to their win total this week, as they took on lastplace Grand Valley Wednesday night. They'll open the new year with a game on Friday, Jan. 8, when they host Orangeville in an 8 p.m. contest.

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New Years levee

Everyone is welcome to attend the Annual New Year's Day Mayor's Levee from 2 to 4 p.m. at the John Elliott Theatre. If you need transportation to the levee, call 877-7915 at 1 p.m. on New Year's Day.

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Sports

Gemini suffer 9-3 setback to Aurora

The Georgetown Gemini were thumped 9-3 by Aurora Sunday night in a Central Junior B Hockey League match-up, at Aurora.

Aurora, the third-place team in the Central loop's East Division, held a narrow 2-1 lead after the opening frame, but extended that lead to 6-2 in the second.

The Gems remain in sixth place in the West Division, with a record of 7-21-3, putting them seven points back of the Milton Merchants. The cellar-dwelling Mimico Monarchs are two points behind the Gemini with 15 points.

Georgetown took a 1-0 lead against Aurora Sunday night when Chuck Loreto scored midway through the first period from Joe Washkurak and Jim McCabe, while the Gems enjoyed a powerplay.

Aurora replied with a pair of markers in the first and added another early in the second before Greg Brazeau scored a powerplay goal from Washkurak and Adam Bennett to make it 3-2.

Aurora added three more in the second to pull ahead 6-2, and scored again in the third before Washkurak tallied from Jay Anderson and Shannon Storr at 13:36 to make it 7-3.

The Gems failed to get anything going from there, and Aurora closed the door with two more goals in the late going.

Mark Harrison tended net for Georgetown, and despite the score, made several good saves in the con-

Georgetown's Anderson, Kevin Dance, and Mark Dunning were all sent to early showers for their parts in unrelated fights through the third period.

Winger Travis Cole was absent from the Georgetown line-up for the

This Saturday, the Gemini host the Burlington Cougars for a 7:30 p.m. game at the Alcott Arena, and they open the new year at home to the Streetsville Derbys on Saturday,



Boxing

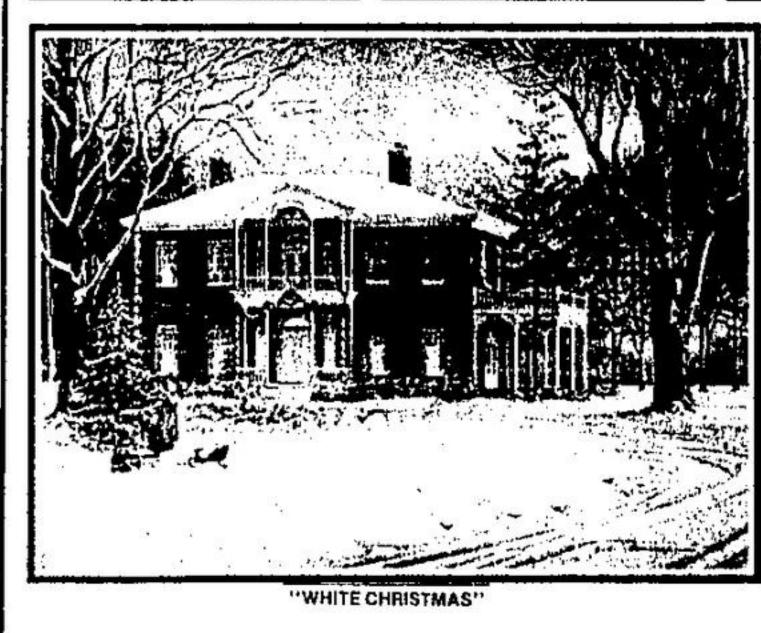
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Westenders out-Hustled

Hustlers increased their lead in the first division with a win over Westenders who dropped from their newly won second place as a result.

Ged Williams for Hustlers played in seven games and had a had night, contributing only the fact that he turned up, according to his team mates. Ron Scarlett had three starts (one of 108) two finishes and highs of 140 and three tons. Beaumont had three starts, two finishes and two tons. Al Telford had two starts, two finishes and three tons. Ray Inglis had one start and one finish.

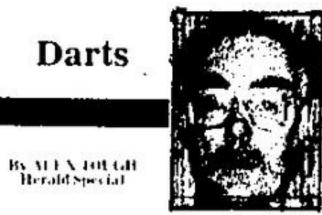
The Westenders had an off night just not being able to put much of a stop to the "hustle"

Flights moved back into the challenging spot with the victory over Independents by one game. Al Murphy knocked for 140 and Mike Pepper and Grant Richardson knocked for tons, Independents' Eddie Plackett also had a 140, Peter Buckley a 134 and Jim Franks a 120. Independents took the first game then lost three in a row before taking the next three to set the exciting finish. Flights took the final two games for the win this time.

Exports fell a place after losing to Panthers. Pete Pickering had a 103 start and a high 140 in the losing effort. For Panthers Jack Hamilton had five starts and a 140. Ed Paterson knocked for 140 and Henry Graham for 125.

The luckless Firemen were short of playing strength and gave the match to Ensigns by default. The teams mixed the remaining players for a few sets to keetp their eyes in.

Second Division's Taxmen were also shorthanded and gave up nine games to second place challengers High Rollers. Ed Kouyoumilan



started with a 98. Doug Whicleo scored 125 and Mark Flarrimond finished with 66 in Rollers highlights.

Meanwhile leaders Snowjacks bad their hands full with Inter County only coming through by the odd game winner. The match see-sawed first one way then the other.

The final game decider went to Snowjacks. For Inter County the threesome of George O'Neil, Colin Beaumont and Ron Corbett won three games. Snowjacks' Joe Cairns had five starts and two finishes. Dan Fraser had a couple of starts and finishes and Eric Fuller did the rest of the damage. Dan Fraser also knocked for 140 and I had a ton.

Bulldogs and Eliminators were in another battle royal and dogs went down by the odd game, this match also going to the wire. Dave Robinson spotted five tons in the match with the others all playing fairly steadily throughout.

The Bandits maintained their slow improvement with another win, at the expense of the Aces, Aces Dave Tomlinson opened with 100, Lloyd Westlake highed on 140, and Dean Hancock had a 90, two dart finish. Bandits played well with Bruce

Hope opening with 78, finishing with 68 and scoring three tons in a night with three starts and a finish. Art Cousins also had a good bash with three starts and a finish. Keith Mallette had two opens, two closes and a ton. This week is Christmas sandwich

night with only five games to be played in each match as opposed to the normal nine. This is the first of a series of five game matches not returning to the nine game format until the end of January.

The Golden Flights-Panthers and Westenders-Ensigns matches could be the first division close games. Bulldogs-Inter County and Snowjacks-Eliminators could be the interesting ones in the second division. Merry Christmas everyone.

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