

## Face Niagara tomorrow

# Undefeated Rams tame Wildcats



**Ram charger**

An Acton Ram beats a Hamilton Wildcat check during the Rams' 14-7 thumping of Hamilton last Thursday at the Acton Arena. The Rams, unbeaten in three outings, face Niagara tomorrow (Thursday, May 19) in Acton. (Herald photo)

Acton Rams are gunning for a second consecutive Golden Horseshoe Lacrosse League title and they proved it last week.

The Rams, who captured the senior men's league championship in 1987, recorded a pair of decisive wins last week to give them an undefeated record of two wins and one tie early into the 1988 schedule.

Rams doubled up on Hamilton Wildcats 14-7 in Acton last Thursday night after avenging a season-opening 8-8 tie with Burlington by burying the Cougars 20-2 in Burlington on May 10.

Scott Early and Jim Clark paced the Rams on Thursday with four goals apiece while Steve Wilson turned in the hat-trick. Wayne Young, Kevin Marcoux and Fred Allen notched singles. Goaltender Steve Young, who played strongly in the Acton cage, had a team-high four helpers.

Other assists went to Young (3), Early (2), Wilson (2), Marcoux (2), George Artem (2), Clark (1), Allen (1) and Paul Wilson (1).

In Burlington on May 10 the Rams showed their hosts no mercy as Steve Wilson fired four goals with George Artem, Wayne Young, Jim Clark and Kevin Marcoux all nailing hat-tricks. Fred Allen and Paul Wilson had two-goal games.

Assists went to Steve Wilson and Artem with a trio each, Young, Allen and goalie Steve Young with a pair apiece and Jim Clark with a single helper.

### Rams 14 Hamilton 7

On Thursday in Acton, Rams led 7-1 after the first period and had things well under control at 11-3 heading in the final frame.

Scott Early opened the scoring with an unassisted marker and added a second solo effort after a goal by Kevin Marcoux from Wayne Young and Steve Young. Fred Allen scored from Wayne Young before Early completed his scoring for the night with two more goals. George Artem and Steve Wilson drew assists on Early's hat-trick marker while Wayne Young and Jim Clark helped out on his fourth of the period.

Jim Clark closed out the Acton scoring in the opening frame, beating Hamilton netminder Al Good with help from Marcoux and

Steve Young. Acton added four goals in the middle frame after Hamilton's second goal of the night. Wayne Young found mesh with Steve Wilson assisting before Wilson fired one home after taking a lead pass from goaltender Young.

Jim Clark scored unassisted and Steve Wilson added his second from Paul Wilson and Steve Young to close the second period at 11-3 Acton.

Hamilton outscored Acton 4-3 in the third period but the old adage, "too little, too late," was more than appropriate as the Rams coasted to victory.

Jim Clark sandwiched his third and fourth goals of the night around a single from Steve Wilson as the Acton arsenal finally came to a halt. Scott Early picked up an assist on Wilson's third goal and also helped out on his fourth with George Artem drawing the other helper. Kevin Marcoux and Fred Allen assisted on Early's third period effort.

Acton was nabbed for 10 minutes in penalties while Hamilton recorded eight.

### Rams 20 Burlington 2

Acton led 6-1 after one period, 15-2 after the second frame and poured in five unanswered third period goals to complete their winning onslaught in Burlington on May 10.

Acton's run-and-shoot-and-score offence left little time for penalties as the Rams played penalty-free. Burlington picked up the game's only minor penalty.

Meanwhile the Rams will put their undefeated record on the line tomorrow (Thursday, May 19) when they host the Niagara Warriors at 8:30 p.m. at the Acton Arena.

According to Rams' president Wayne Young, the Warriors are likely to present the biggest obstacle on Acton's road to a second straight Golden Horseshoe league championship.

"Niagara will probably be our toughest competition," said Young last week. "They're a good young side." Average age on the Acton squad is about 30, said Young, and the Rams will look to their experience to deal effectively with the Warriors.

Regular season action will continue in the four-team loop during the summer with playoffs slated to get under way in July.



**Soccer shuffle**

No it's not a new dance. Joanna Miller (left) of Bishop Reding Royals contests the ball with a White Oaks defender during preliminary round play at Saturday's Junior girls soccer tournament at GDHS. Pearson went on to win the overall title while White Oaks edged Bishop Oaks defender during preliminary round play at Saturday's Junior girls soccer tournament at GDHS. (Herald photo)

## Pearson wins tourney

Lester Pearson Secondary School captured the championship of the GDHS junior girls soccer tournament at Georgetown last Saturday with a 3-1 win over Oakville Trafalgar in the A pool final.

White Oaks took the B title with a 4-1 triumph over Loyola. A total of six teams competed in the day-long soccerfest, which was organized by GDHS students Lisa Mason and Jen

## Herald Scoreboard

SENIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF MAY 18				SCORING LEADERS			
W	L	T	Pts	G	A	Pts	G
McGibbon Hawks	2	0	10	Ian Syme, McGibbon	5	7	10
Midas Top Guns	2	2	5	Joe Orskovic, Midas	5	9	14
Dave's Service	2	2	5	Larry Peterson, McGibbon	3	5	13
Pontiac Fleros	1	2	3	Gary Beck, Midas	4	2	11
Choice Air	1	2	3	Gary Bovair, Dave's Service	4	6	10
The Kentner's	1	4	2	Neil McDonald, Dave's Service	4	4	8
McGibbon Hawks	2	0	10	Don Blewett, Dave's Service	4	4	8
The Kentners	2	2	5	Five tied with 7 pts.			
Midas Top Guns	2	2	5				

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## Opening day just like old times



### Soccer

By ALEX TOUGH

It was just like old times on Saturday. George Baines, Bryan Turner and I were down at Cedarvale early to try to have everything ready for the youth opening kick off.

George was at his booth and Bryan and I were lining the field and putting up the nets. Unfortunately there was a shortage of chalk for the lining and the nets were a little scraggy. Nevertheless we managed and with the additional help of Bill Harrison and Geoff Sketcher all was in time. And I do not leave out the fine volunteering of a lady who assisted George in getting the coffee ready on time.

Only the boys played this time as there was a girls tournament nearby and the Georgetown school team tied one game and lost the other.

The weather was certainly kind to all. As I type this lot late on Sunday evening with the rain, thunder and lightning early in the day and even now it was a blessing.

The season now has begun in earnest and we can all look forward to a busy summer ahead.

I had planned on having some news of the new Georgetown United and Falcons (the young senior league squad) for this column. However by the time I sorted out a couple of problems with scheduling and another few calls I never did get around to the respective coaches for more news. Suffice to say that the Falcons eked out a 1-0 win over the United. From what I hear Falcons took the game to United, much as Wimbledon did to Liverpool in the English FA cup final, and did not allow the 'big' team to settle.

United have already beaten Giaciarro, who were the team to beat last year in the T and D, earlier and had another good outing against North York. Indications are there that the team have the capability of good results. However the opposi-

tions will not give up points easily, they have to be earned. Certainly at the top level.

At the end of this month the current Canadian National team are in Toronto for a three way tournament with Greece and Chile which should prove to be a worthwhile challenge for our lads. Greece are an up and coming outfit at international and no longer the pushovers they once were. Chile are a former World cup semi finalist in 1962, losing to Brazil, the eventual winners. They still have several world class players and the style in true South American fashion.

This Wednesday sees five senior Inter County games to kick off the official season. Viking (Varian) are at Alcott to Villa at 7 p.m., Meteor United at Meadowglen against Crown and Anchor. Eagles host Rockwood at Christian, Plus Welding face Ajax at 8:30 at Alcott and Ancient Mariners host Trexcon at Cedarvale at 8:30 following a peewee boys house league game.

Last week I was on about referee shortages. This Sunday morning at an exhibition game the appointed official did not show. Another qualified man was there and volunteered to officiate. The teams were heard to express the thought that they should behave and not complain as the volunteer had offered to take the middle. Firstly, the complaining should not happen even if the correct official was in attendance never mind a stand in. Secondly the players did not refrain from committing offences; sly hits off the ball, late challenges with the back foot coming through, handballs on the 'blind side'. And others - especially complaining when the referee could not see things happening.

This is the kind of behavior which turns off good, and bad, referees. Mind you, the lesser standard of official may not notice too much. At the end of day the behavior patterns have a lot to do with officials becoming fed up with the constant harassment and leaving the game, or at least giving up being the target in the middle.

## Kentner's break winless streak

Tuesday night's three games all featured tight checking, good goaltending and plenty of excitement.

Game one saw the McGibbon Hawks hang on for a 6-5 victory over Dave's Service. Both teams played well and with the goalie pulled, Dave's scored with six seconds left to make it close. McGibbon point getters were Brian Beaumont (3 goals, 1 assist), Larry Peterson (2 goals, 1 assist), Paul Allison (1 goal, 1 assist) and assists to Ian Syme (2), Brian Hunziger (2), Gerry Coffee (2), Rob Hamilton (1) and Charlie Knoepfl (1). Dave's scoring was handled by Neil McDonald (2 goals, 2 assists), Don Blewett (2 goals), Gary Bovair (1 goal, 1 assist), Brian Johnston (2 assists), Marty Weaven and Neil McLean (1 assist) each.

The next game saw the Kentner's

finally get in the win column. Goals by Geoff Parker and Don Vetro gave the Kentner's a 2-0 lead but late in the third period, John Bajic replied for Choice Air. Although Choice Air pulled their goalie, they couldn't come up with the equalizer. Dave Krause also played a strong game for the Kentner's as he assisted on both of their goals.

Game three was another fast, end to end game. Two goals late in the third for Midas (one into an empty net) gave them the margin of victory. Goal scorers for the Midas Top Guns were Joe Orskovic (2), Gary Beck and Tony Kovacevic. Assisting were Gary Beck (2) and singles to Woody Fabian, John Clark, Mark Maxwell and Joe Orskovic. Chris Milne scored both Pontiac Fleros goals with help from Grant Bodnar, Doug Thompson and Don Norton.

## Challenge set

The Town of Halton Hills has challenged the Town of Oakville in the Crownlife Participation Challenge!

On Wednesday, May 25 every resident of Halton Hills should participate in a physical activity like walking, jogging, house cleaning, etc. for 15 continuous minutes.

Thanks to a generous donation from Wm. Neilson Co. Ltd. the Recreation and Parks Department will again, this year, be able to register Fitness Challenge Activity by phone.

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ercising for 15 minutes, call the Neilson's Challenge Hotline 873-2828 to be included in the final count.

Watch the newspaper for more details as the date grows nearer.

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