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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Sandy Weeks and Christina Lane share the honors this week after helping the Central Ontario West team win a gold medal at the Ontario Winter Games in North Bay, Mar. 9-12. Sandy, 17, and Christina, 14, were part of the five-girl team that bested all other Ontario regional teams to take the Games five-pin title.

Oakville no match in 29th annual GMHA tourney championship

Milton mighty in bantam final



Arm in arm

A member of the Georgetown Bantam Minors employs an arm bar as he wrestles a Paris defender for the puck during GMHA Bantam Tournament action last week at Alcott Arena. The Minors had a tough time, losing all three of their games, but worked hard as one of two Georgetown squads in the annual event. (Herald photo)



Holding the hardware

GMHA International Bantam Tournament chairman Rick Hume presents the championship hardware to Milton captain Dave McDuffe at the conclusion of the week-long hockey festival on Saturday at Alcott Arena. Milton dumped Oakville 8-1 in an all-Halton grand championship final to claim the 1989 title. (Herald photo)

Bowlers strike gold

A pair of Georgetown bowlers went north in search of gold and they found it at the Ontario Winter Games in North Bay.

Sandy Weeks, 17, and Christina Lane, 14, both of Georgetown, were part of the Central Ontario West team that won the gold medal at the Winter Games five-pin bowling competition on Mar. 9-12 in the northern Ontario city.

Over the four-day competition the Central West representative squad bowled 10 games, finishing in first place overall with 56.5 points, a full two points ahead of second-place Southwestern Ontario. In the semi-finals Central West topped Central East before stopping Northeastern Ontario in the gold medal final.

Weeks and Lane qualified for berths on the five-girl Central West regional team after surviving a gruelling play-off competition in Streetsville prior to the Winter Games.

The Georgetowners bowled-off against 65 other top bowlers from the region and finished among the top five to earn spots on the team.

The final obstacle the girls had to clear to win a trip to North Bay was completed in Hamilton where the Central West squad finished first against four other zone teams hoping to represent the region.

Weeks also just missed winning a medal in the girls individual bowling competition, finishing in fourth place in the final bowl-off and coming to within 30 points of the bronze medal.

Lane also put forth a strong day on the alleys in the individual competition, placing ninth overall.

Atoms hang on

Mike Olsen and Sean Peasgood scored a goal each as the Georgetown Atom Selects hung on for a close 2-1 win over Chinguacousy in exhibition hockey play at Memorial Arena on Mar. 20.

The home team took a 2-0 lead into the third period after Olsen opened the festivities with an unassisted marker in period two followed by Peasgood's winning goal less than two minutes later, from Wesley Burke and Dave Doole.

HOCKEY

By PAUL SVOBODA
 Herald Sports Editor

It was an all-Halton final for the Grand Championship of the 29th annual GMHA International Bantam Hockey Tournament as Milton doubled up on Oakville, 8-4, to win the 1989 title last Saturday at Alcott Arena.

Mike Cox scored two goals, including the eventual winner in the second period, to lead Milton's cup-winning offence. Cox capped his strong performance in the final game by receiving the tourney's coveted MVP Award following the contest.

Milton led throughout the final, taking a 3-1 first period lead and increasing the margin to 5-3 in the second before icing the cake with a trio of third period markers.

Cox's eventual game-winning tally came at 9:29 of the second period as he took a pass from teammate Pat Henneberry off a centre ice face-off and zoomed into

the Oakville zone to beat netminder David White. That goal, which at the time gave Milton a 5-2 lead, came just nine seconds on the heels of Henneberry's first goal of the night which was assisted by Cox.

The Cox-Henneberry connection proved to be a good one for Milton as Henneberry scored his second of the night in the third period, also assisted by Cox, while Cox's first goal in period one was also set up by Henneberry. Tyler McManns potted a hat trick for Oakville.

Milton finished preliminary round play with a 1-2 slate before doubling up on Cambridge, 6-3, in the B division final. Oakville, meanwhile, had a 2-1 first round slate before they dumped Chinguacousy, 5-1, to take the A division title.

In earlier semi-final action on Saturday, Milton advanced to the final with a 4-2 win over D division champions Pickering while Oakville downed Port Perry (C division winners) by a 6-3 count.

Port Perry had earlier claimed the C crown with a rousing 12-2

trouncing of Agincourt, with Pickering taking the D crown banner with a 6-2 defeat of Brampton on Friday.

Georgetown's two representatives in the 1989 puckfest, the Bantam B's and Bantam Minors, didn't fare quite as well as they had hoped they would. After losing their tourney openers both squads went on to lose their next two contests as well, to miss playoff competition. The M and M Pro Sport "AA" Bantams were unable to compete due to OMHA playoff commitments.

After dropping their opener in a close 3-2 loss to Hanover, the Johnson and Associate Bantam B's were blanked 5-0 by Paris and finished their week with a 4-1 loss to eventual division winners, Pickering. Brad Tutt scored the lone Georgetown goal in that one, with Chris Burrows and Alan Fudge drawing helpers.

The Chateau Restaurant Minors came back from a tourney-opening 6-0 loss to Pickering to put in a strong effort against Brampton, dropping a 5-4 contest. The Minors

last game of the week saw them take a 7-2 knockout punch from Paris.


Against Brampton, Tim Presswood led the way with two goals and an assist while Derek Ellard also had a pair of tallies. Shawn Pearson gathered two assists with Dave Osborne and Jeff Pettigrew helping out once each.

In the Paris loss, Matt Downs and Derek Ellard scored for Georgetown with Mark Johnston and Scott McGuigan earning assists.

Along with Cox's MVP Award following the championship game, Oakville's Morgan McNichol was presented with the Red and Jean Asseltine Trophy as the week-long tournament's Most Sportsmanlike Player.

Oakville's Jesse Robertson took home the Georgetown Referee's Association Trophy as the tourney's top goaltender and Milton's Peter McDuffe, an ex-intermediate Raider and former NHL netminder, earned Coach-of-the-Tournament distinction.

More teams needed to renew tournament



Paul's Call
 Paul Svoboda
 Herald Sports Editor

Mid-week musings from the sports desk:

—There was some good hockey at Alcott Arena last week during the 29th annual GMHA International Bantam Tournament and although chairman Rick Hume and his cohorts worked hard to pull it off, there has to be some disappointment at the drop-off of the competition.

Apparently it wasn't too long

ago that upwards of 30 and 40 clubs would attend the annual puckfest usually with a couple of representatives from the U.S. to give it a truly international flavor. This year only 19 teams decided to take part, two of them from Georgetown, with nary a rep from our southern neighbors.

Conflicting March Breaks, ongoing OMHA playdowns (the reason for the absence of the local "AA" squad) and some last-minute drop-outs (Toronto Hawks, Woodbridge) affected attendance. Let's hope the tourney lineup increases next year.

—Although he didn't win the big one, it's still been quite a season of accomplishment for former Gemini star Wayne Morrow.

Now playing for the St. Mary's University Huskies down in

Halifax, Morrow was the Atlantic nominee for the Sullivan Award, presented annually to the best Canadian collegiate hockey player in the land.

The University of Alberta's Stacey Wakabayashi, a five-year winger who led the nation in scoring this year, took the award at a ceremony in Toronto last week.

Meanwhile, it's a good start in college hockey for Morrow who was named to the Atlantic Union's 1988-89 all-star team as well.

—Still speaking of college hockey, Raider forward Don Cruise may stay in Ontario next year to play the university game. Cruise was approached during the season by Ohio's Kent State University, along with linemate Chuck Loreto, but he may con-

sider playing at either the University of Toronto or the University of Western Ontario.

—And still with the Raiders, goaltender Curtis Green saw some action last week as the OHL's Guelph Platers wrapped up their regular season schedule. Green joined the big club after the Raiders' playoff demise and he'll suit up for Platers' post-season tilts. They're apparently ready to invite the lanky backstop to camp next fall.

—Members of the Georgetown Figure Skating Club are working frantically to have everything just right for their annual carnival - "Just Cruisin'" - which goes at Memorial Arena on Apr. 1-2. Contact Joan Dawson at 877-4108 for tickets.

The kids have worked hard.