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## THE HERALD ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Gord Burke was king of the hill on Monday as he hurled a shutout in the GDHS Rebels baseball opener against the Bishop Reding Royals in Georgetown.

Burke also helped his own cause by tagging a three-bagger as the Rebels rolled to an impressive 12-0 win.

### Midget Eagles soar in openers

Georgetown's midget baseball Eagles soared to a good start to their 1989 season with a win and a tie last week in exhibition play.

In Brampton on the weekend, four different pitchers took a turn on the mound as the Eagles played to a 4-4 draw with the home side. John Butler started on the hill for Georgetown with Jeff Hannah finishing the job. Both Ed Doyle and Adam Hagen saw duty in between.

On Thursday, Georgetown got the '89 campaign off on the right foot as the Eagles clobbered Erin Mills 15-1. Scott Van De Valk took the win with a pair of big basesloaded triples from Bobby Dezeeuw.

The midget Eagles open their 1989 regular season schedule tonight at home to Erin Mills (7 p.m. start) with a trip to Cawthra on Thursday.

## Hole hits "Pins Game"

Brinley Hole came through again in the Georgetown qualifying round for the TSN \$64,000 "Pins Game" for this year's fall viewing on Cable Television.

Hole started the eight-game set down five pins to Frank Arsenault's 252. However, his 284 in the second game moved him into first place after Arsenault's 242. A 297 followed by 303 solidified his position and a 308 salted away the win. John Borsten tried to pursue the leaders and came within 16 pins of the runner-up Arsenault with Paul Chaplin coming just another pin behind him.

With pressure lessened, Brinley's last game of 157 only dropped his average of 245 for the day but still preserved the win. Hole's next effort will come in Grimsby on May 28.

#### Bridge season deals out

Rene March and Norma Maynard ended the bridge season at Georgetown Legion on a winning note as they teamed up for first place on Monday, Apr. 24.

Adele Glavicic and Mike Larisso were second and the tandem of Jack Kaarsemaker and Harry Arbic took third.

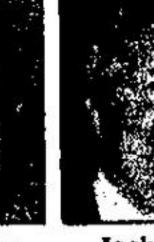
## Raider management set to return intact

By PAUL SVOBODA Herald Sports Editor

The condition of the Georgetown Raiders management team returned to one of normalcy last Thursday as Jr. B club president Dave Kentner announced the return of GM Bob Hooper and vice-president Jack Handy for the 1989-90 season.

As reported in the Herald Outlook last Saturday, Kentner made the announcement Thursday after a club executive meeting Wednesday night. The announcement ended weeks of speculation concerning the future of both Hooper and Handy with the junior squad.





Bob Hooper

Jack Handy

"I'm content and very happy to have a stable situation on the hockey club in terms of public perception," said Kentner, who added he was very pleased to have both Hooper and Handy back in their respective capacities.

The situation on the Raider management level had appeared muddled after Kentner expressed his frustration after the team suffered its second consecutive first round playoff\_defeat last February to the Oakville Blades. Hooper was at one time considering his own future with the club and then announced he would return only as GM, despite being offered the VP job. Handy was also considering his continued involvement with the club prior to agreeing to return as vice-president of hockey operations.

But the appointment of Handy as VP Wednesday and his subsequent motion to re-instate Hooper as GM meant the Raiders will head into the 1989-90 season with their current management group intact. Hooper, who left for a two-week vacation in Florida on Thursday, has apparently accepted the GM job again, said Kentner.

Kentner said the Thursday announcement, "pre-empted any sense of urgency for the meeting on May 9," when the club's executive will meet again. Handy said he was glad the positions were filled before Hooper left for his vacation.

"We wanted to have everything settled before Bob went away," said Handy on Monday. "It won't take us long to get back in gear."

Handy said he had been pondering his future with the Raiders before Kentner contacted him Wednesday prior to the meeting. "I was considering my position and Dave knew that," he said. "That's why the door was open for Bob to be offered the VP's job."

As for the duo's immediate concerns, Handy said securing Peter Sturgeon as coach is a top priority. "We'll make sure we have a coach as soon as Bob gets back," said Handy. "I think it will probably be Peter."

Meanwhile, Sturgeon has not yet made a commitment to the Raiders for next season although he has been busy fulfilling his current obligations to the club which theoretically will end for the 1968-89 season on May 9 when the executive meets again.

"I will make a statement-regarding what I'm doing next year," said Sturgeon on Monday. "My season did not end after the playoffs and it won't until May 9. My concern is with hockey and with the development of a hockey program in Georgetown."

The ex-Boston Bruin said he had not spoken to Hooper after Kentner's announcement Thursday and had not been contacted by the Raider GM before Hooper left for Florida. Sturgeon did say, however, the pair have been in touch with each other frequently since the end of the season.

The Raider coach has been an active man since Georgetown's playoff exodus, scouting local playoff teams and preparing a squad of Raider players that will compete in the Under-18 "Tournament of Stars" at Toronto's Chesswood Arena on May 19. Sturgeon will also be coaching at the local region's Ontario Under-17 camp this weekend.

"I'm getting prepared to keep these guys (Raiders) headed in the right direction this summer," he said. "I've also been doing some research on what's involved in building a championship team and a championship organization. I've done a lot of leg work. I made a Continued on Page 17



A sure sign of spring at the Alcott Tennis Club'last weekend was the opening of the 1989 season. Several local tennis buffs took the opportunity to work the winter kinks out of their racquet games and Georgetown's Ken Duncan, shown serving up a potential ace, was one of them. Leagues and lessons will be soon to follow as the season swings into gear. (Herald photo by Brian MacLeod)

## Caps' move could block Brampton expansion bid



Paul's Call

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Mid-week musings from the sports desk:

One of the first things Jack Handy did as he settled back into his role as Georgetown Raider vice-president of hockey operations was attend the annual Central Ontario Jr. B Hockey League meeting last night. Although the paper was put to sleep before the particulars of last night's meeting could be included in this week's issue, there were a couple of interesting topics to be discussed.

Among them, the Etobicoke Capitals apparently are seeking to

move their franchise to Brampton. That move, if approved, would in all likelihood kill the bid by former Raider assistant coach Jim Storr to place an expansion Jr. B team in Brampton.

Midland will appeal for entry into the Central League's eastern division, a move that would create a natural northern rival for Collingwood and which might also hasten a realignment of the loop.

Handy said the eastern teams will also push for a re-instatement of the old inter-locking schedule whereby teams from both divisions played against each other during the regular season. The Georgetown veep said the Raiders are not in favor of such a change, due to financial constraints.

SABRES TAKE SOLACE: The Acton Sabres can take solace in the knowledge that the Bradford Bulls. who beat them out in the first round of Mid-Ontario Jr. C playoffs, are currently in the all-

Ontario Jr. C final with the Hanover Barons, perennial champs of the Grey-Bruce loop. Bradford won the series opener on Monday in Hanover, 6-5.

RAIDER RANKINGS: Raider blueliners Trent Cull and Rod Pasma and forward Bryan Gendron are all expected to go in the May 27 Ontario Hockey League midget priority draft. Cull is currently ranked in the top 10 while Pasma is now listed at 18. Gendron, whose stock rose with a strong stretch run last season, could go sometime before the end of round three. Hamilton Dukes, the transplanted Toronto Marlies, have apparently shown a lot of recent interest in Pasma.

MOUNT "A" BOUND: Raider grads Chuck Loreto and Todd King may be playing for the Mount Allison Mounties in the Atlantic collegiate union next season. Both players had been approached by U.S. colleges last season, but the

word is they'll end up in the' Maritimes.

THE BIG "D": Raider coach Pete Sturgeon has been following the ongoing Ontario Jr. B playoffs with a lot of interest. He said the biggest factor in the success of organizations such as St. Mikes Buzzers and Niagara Falls Canucks is, without a doubt, defence and goaltending. "Our offence is comparable to Niagara Falls," he told the Herald on Monday. "They got by on their goaltending."

SORRY, BOB: Apologies to Bob Donker, one of the premier runners at GDHS, whose name was mistakenly attached to a picture of Eddie Powers in last week's Herald high school sports section. Bob continues to run well for the Rebs, as he set a personal best of 4:07 in the 1500 at the Roland Games last weekend.