

## Acton squad confident

# Sabres ready to unsheath weapons

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As it is in sports, many times, as it is in life. The abyss has to be viewed before truly solid ground can be appreciated.

A parallel scenario can be penned for the Acton Tate Realty Sabres of the Mid-Ontario Junior "C" League. The abyss yawned threateningly last August, but fortunately, was side-stepped.

According to team president, Robin Incoe, rock bottom was hit at that point, with few, if any, prospects for any kind of a future for the club.

The team was without a coach or manager; the executive - as such - was virtually non-existent; only three players had offered any kind of indication they would be returning and no pre-season ice time had been booked.

The Sabres struggled through regular season play, finishing sixth in the seven-team loop, then was rudely eliminated in four straight games by eventual Ontario champion, Bradford Bulls.

Ah, but what a difference a year makes.

At a team meeting this past winter, real estate man, Mitch Lajeunesse, stepped forward and offered the club a solid foundation of stability - something only dreamed

of in years past. Lajeunesse has committed to keeping the Sabres in Acton for five years - he officially took over ownership just last month.

A dedicated executive core is now in place and at the very least, team president Incoe promises that this year, the Sabres "will be competitive."

Returning coach, Ken Steen - an Erin resident in his early 30s - brings a wealth of hockey experience to the Junior "C" squad.

Steen played minor hockey in Erin, junior hockey in Brampton, toiled for the Sheridan College Bruins, tested the American college hockey waters with Kent State and had a stint on defence with the now-defunct Senior "A" Georgetown Raiders.

The Sabres will be training throughout the month of September at Georgetown's Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena.

A tryout camp has been slated for Aug. 31 at Alcott, with those players deemed to have potential joining the approximately 140 invitees when the main training camp opens Sept. 1 - again, at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena.

Orangeville Crushers, last year's regular season champion, Bradford Bulls, Caledon Flyers, Schomberg Cougars, Alliston Hornets and Grand Valley Harvesters round out the Mid-Ontario Junior "C" League.

Sabres open pre-season play, Sept. 15 at Gordon Alcott, where they will test their mettle against Staynor.

# Rams rollick over Hamilton Wildcats

Acton Rams chalked up their third win in a row this past week, convincingly downing Hamilton Wildcats, 10-1 in a Golden Horseshoe Men's Lacrosse League contest played in Hamilton.

It was the Rams' second win in a row over the Wildcats, who seemed more content to play the role of spectator rather than participant. The Hamilton squad picked up 20 minutes in penalties, to just eight minutes in penalties for the Rams.

Acton jumped out to a comfortable 4-0 lead after 20 minutes, led 8-0 after two frames then coasted to the win.

Paul Wilson and Jim Clarke shared scoring laurels for the Rams; each netted three goals. George Artem chipped in with a pair of markers while singles went to Henny Van Oort and Beck Hofland. Clarke proved to be an all-rounder in this game, picking up

four assists. Wayne Young and Henny Van Oort each had three assists.

Jerry Maimela was the lone marksman for Hamilton.

**MINOR LACROSSE:** Sandy Chapman paced an awesome Acton attack with five goals as Acton crushed Orangeville II, 19-1 in minor lacrosse play. Kyle Artem notched the hat trick, with David Lajeunesse, Paul Withers and Richard Raju each scoring twice. Single goals were netted by Chris Lee, Jason Christopher, Mathew Hall, Thomas Wolfer and Ryan Young. Christopher added four assists, with Lee and Hall assisting on three goals each. Artem, Raju, Wolfer and Young each had a pair of assists.

Jason Mitchell counted for Orangeville II.

Acton led 11-0 after two periods and closed out the contest with an eight goal outburst in the final frame.

In a Tyke contest, Shane Lero proved to be a one-man wrecking crew as he scored 10 goals in a 15-1 Glavcast romp over Sandis Salon.

Michelle Withers bent the twine for four goals, while Mathew Wolfer added a single marker. Kimberly Genzler assisted on two goals, with Chelsea Young also collecting an assist.

The lone reply for Sandis Salon came off the stick of Mark Harlow.

## Soccer stats

**GEORGETOWN YOUTH SOCCER CLUB MAJOR SQUADS BOYS**  
Green Cobra 3  
Goals: Cory Constant 2, Charles Simpson.  
Noteworthy players: Paul Bakker, Chris Wright, Andrew Mathisen.  
Red Wings 1  
Goal: Jamie Tawill.  
Noteworthy players: Ian Buzjak, Jason Gadoutsis, Tim Aparar.

Orange Cheetahs 1  
Purple Mustangs 3  
Goals: Jason Armstrong 2, Chris.  
Noteworthy players: Jason Armstrong, Justin Yantho, Shaun Murcott.

**MOSQUITO BOYS**  
Video Ranch Black Flies 6  
Goals: Ryan Martin 3, Ryan Gougeon.  
Noteworthy players: Andrew Gass, Tyler Patriquin, Jeff Pringle.  
Steak Express Flames 6  
Noteworthy players: Kevin Adema, Nick Bertrand.

Steak Express Flames 1  
Goal: Martin Johnston.

Consumers Crusaders 5  
Goals: Gary McNelly 2, Robert Topping, Mike Olsen 2.  
Noteworthy players: John Bilik, Ken Armstrong, Rick Malboeuf.

**BANTAM BOYS**  
Gino's Pizza 2  
Goals: Donnie Guest, Jason Brendon.  
Brampton Real Estate Board 2  
Goals: Brad Cuthbert 2.

Standard Products 1  
Goal: Paul Smith.  
The Lions Club 6  
Goals: Phil Rehberg 3, Stephen Mills 2, Dan Adema.

**STANDINGS AS OF JULY 13**

Gino's Pizza	PTS. 13
Brampton R.E.B.	12
Lions Club	8
Standard Products	3

# Squirt scores

A win for Team VI, III and IV started out last week's action for the GBA Squirt League.

**Team VI vs Team I**

Team VI's Andrew Nelissen hit a grand slam and three homers. Brydon Butterworth also hit a pair of homers and a triple. Teammates Jon Borg, David Zeni, Jason Van Meijel, Andrea Borg and Tom Fisher all hit doubles. Craig Anderson added a RBI for his team. On the field a good catch was handled by Brydon Butterworth on second for an out and Andrea Borg made an outstanding catch on the outfield.

Hitting homers for Team I were Trevor Cash and Geoffrey Bahar. Shawn Weatherall batted a triple and a double for his team.

**Team III vs Team V**

At the plate for Team III, Jon Howell, Glen Wood and Ben Swanson all hit homers with Jon and Glen hitting triples with teammates Nathan Martin and Jeff Meiner. Ben Swanson added a double to his homerun. Andrew Peden did some good steady hitting and Chris Lahue made an outstanding 'clutch' hit. On the field Ben Swanson gloved two fly balls and Andrew Peden made a great tag at third for an out.

Brendan Alexa nailed a homerun for Team III with Tom Dales adding a RBI for his team. On the field Brendan Alexa made an excellent double play.

Team IV outscored Team VII on diamond two.

Wednesday night saw Team IV defeating Team VI and Team V outscoring Team II.


**Team IV vs Team VI**

Triples by Jamie Larocque, Tom Allen, Tasha Bradford (2) and Brian Norman for Team IV. Bryan Studdard, Trevor McBain and Eddie Alcorn batted doubles for the team. On the field Jamie Larocque made an excellent play at first base and Tom Allen gloved a great fly ball catch.

Connecting for Team VI was Andrew Nelissen with two homers and Adam Stoyles hitting a homerun, a triple and a double. Andrea Borg and Jason Van Meijel also batted homers while Brydon Butterworth hit a triple and Erin Hay and Tom Fisher hit doubles. On the field Jon Borg made an excellent throw to Brydon Butterworth on second for an out and Erin Hay gloved some good catches.

Team V outscored Team II at the Armouries diamond.

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