

Mixed bonspiel opens season

The North Halton Golf and Country Club Curling Club will be staging its opening season mixed bonspiel Friday and Saturday. Play gets under way Friday evening with games scheduled for 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. and resumes Saturday morning from 10 a.m. through approximately 4 p.m.

Inscoe resigns

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The Acton Tait Realty Sabres hockey team executive underwent changes-of-position last week as the result of the resignation of club general manager Robin Inscoe.

Family commitments have become a priority for Inscoe and he felt he just wouldn't have the time to properly do what was required for the Sabres.

Inscoe informed team president Bruce Cargill, verbally last Thursday (Nov. 2) of his intentions to relinquish his position with the Sabres and this was followed Saturday by his written resignation.

In a prepared statement delivered to the Sabres, Inscoe stated: "When I took over as general manager of the Acton Sabres a little over a year ago, it was not without reason. I wanted to see junior hockey survive in Acton.

"At this point in time I feel that goal has been reached and I feel the people are in place to keep the organization running successfully for years to come.

"With this goal reached and strong financial backing, I feel I must resign my position with the organization.

"It has been a learning experience for me, one that I have greatly appreciated and enjoyed. But it is time to move on.

"With a youngster getting involved in minor hockey and another in figure skating, I no longer feel I will be able to put the needed time into the hockey club.

"I wish the team all the success and hope there are no hard feelings over the decision.

"I hope the executive will continue to work toward the goals set out at the start of the season to make junior hockey in Acton a success."

Sabre coach Ken Steen will take over the general manager's position for the remainder of the season and other changes have also been instituted in the makeup of the team's executive.

Harold Townsley, was named vice president in charge of hockey operations and Al Hay will handle team promotions and public relations duties.

Bruce Cargill will remain in the position of team president.

Cargill, who has worked with Inscoe to keep the Sabres afloat, regretted the loss of a fellow hockey booster.

Team owner Mitch Lajeunesse noted that, "If not for the work of Robin Inscoe, there would not be a Sabre team in Acton. But, family commitments come first and Robin did what he felt he had to do."

Roller coaster ride continues

Sabres hot and cold

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The roller coaster ride through the 1989-90 Mid-Ontario Junior "C" Hockey League regular season schedule continued this past week for the Acton Tait Realty Sabres as the club played three games, picked up two points, but got blown away by Schomberg.

Last Wednesday (Nov. 1) the Sabres invaded the home arena of Bradford and skated away with a solid, 4-3 win.

The win should have put the Sabres in the proper frame of mind Friday night against Schomberg at the Acton Community Centre, but instead, the Acton squad came up flat and Schomberg romped to a convincing 10-0 win.

Sunday afternoon at Acton Community Centre, the Sabres played host to Orangeville Crushers and their trend in play once again were reversed.

Orangeville claimed a 6-4 win, but until the dying minutes of the third period, the game could have gone either way.

The net result of the week's action left the Sabres with a 4-8 record, leaving the team in the middle of the pack in league standings.

Against Bradford, the Sabres came up with a gutsy effort in notching the win.

Down 2-0 after the first period, the Sabres rallied with a pair of goals in the second, to a single reply from Bradford, to trail 3-2 going into the final frame.

Acton scored twice in the third

period while blanking Bradford to post the 4-3 win.

Goaltender Dean Bower played a strong game, making 36 saves.

Jason Lucas scored twice for Acton with singles going to Craig Cullen and Jeff Shevalier. Shevalier and Cullen collected assists, as did John Van Dam, Pete Cargill, Bob Watson and Bob Gagnon.

The Friday night encounter on home ice against Schomberg was decided in the early going.

The visitors jumped out to a 4-0 first period lead, moved ahead 5-0 after 40 minutes of play, then scored five more times in the final frame to ice the 10-0 win.

Dean Bower played the first period in the Acton nets, with Jim Mantione serving between the pipes over the final 40 minutes.

In one of the team's better efforts of the year, Sunday, First period lapses came back to haunt the Sabres and allowed Orangeville to escape with the 6-4 win.

Orangeville led 3-2 after 20 minutes and 5-3 after two periods. The two teams exchanged single markers in the third frame but the final nail was driven into the Sabres coffin on a power play by

the Crushers with just 5:58 left in the game.

Craig Cullen, Wayne Rivers, Bob Gagnon and Peter Cargill were the Sabre marksmen.

Cargill, Cullen and Rivers notched assists, as did Vince Rogers, Bob Watson, John Van Dam, Mike McElroy and Mark Brommersma.

Thursday night, the Sabres pay a return visit to Schomberg.

Friday evening, game time 8 p.m. at Acton Community Centre, Sabres play host to Caledon.

NOTES

Assistant coach Paul Cargill, had words of praise for the recent efforts put in by Mark Brommersma and Bob Gagnon. Hefty rearguard Claude Begin is back on the injury shelf. Apparently the pin inserted in his hand (broken in a pre-season game fight) didn't set properly and the operation will have to be performed again. Adam Hills suffered back spasms in the Sunday game but is not expected to miss any action. Dale McNiven, fighting a mysterious virus, is expected to be back in action this week. Word from the Sabre camp is that a goaltending change is in the offing.

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