

Canada prepares to host World

The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association and the City of Ottawa are very busy preparing to host the first ever official International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) Women's World Championship.

The main venue for this World Championship in this landmark event will be the Ottawa Civic Centre during the week of March 19 to 25, 1990, with several other contests slated for surrounding communities of the nation's capital.

This inaugural Women's World Championship will feature the best women's hockey players worldwide with no age restrictions being applied. Canada's National Women's Team will play host to Finland, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, Japan and the U.S.A. during this week event.

The IIHF was prompted to act on the area of Women's Hockey as a result of the efforts made by the Ontario Women's Hockey Association two years ago when they successfully hosted an Invitational World Tournament which included several European teams. The IIHF decided to stage a European Championship in Dusseldorf, Germany last year to determine the actual degree of interest across Europe.

With all of the above mentioned European teams in attendance, the European Championship turned into an overwhelming success and thus the IIHF felt that Women's hockey warranted a World Championship.

The format to be used will consist of two four country pools, who will participate in a round robin schedule.



It was the positional finish from that initial European Championship which earned the European National Teams the right to travel to Canada.

Pool "A" will feature Japan, Sweden, Germany and Canada while the "B" pool will see Norway, Switzerland, the USA and Finland competing against each other.

Although body checking is no longer being played in competitive Women's hockey in Canada, it was decided at the IIHF Fall Meetings in Zurich, Switzerland that it will be permitted at the World Championship level. The other area of question concerned slapshots and this too has been adopted for the World Women's Championships.

"This event will give women of all ages an opportunity to really appreciate, as spectators and participants, the skill level possible in women's ice hockey", stated Durrell.

This fully sanctioned World Championship event, combined with the fact that Women's Hockey has been granted official status at the Canada Games in 1991, will provide tremendous impetus and motivation for the many female youngsters who have already shown that they can enjoy hockey and play the game with every bit as much vigour and enthusiasm as do the boys across Canada.

Beaver Lumber in gear

After a big weekend at the Orangeville tournament, coaches Markham, LaRose, McLeod and Krause tuned up their Black Machines to meet Streetsville Tuesday in Georgetown.

Still running in high gear Georgetown took an early lead 2-0. Mighty Mike Krause wasted no fuel when he skimmed one past Streetsville's goalie. Eager Beaver Ryan Smith has showed us you must get better with age, since celebrating his birthday a short while ago there's no stopping him. He flipped into overdrive and went end to end to score the second goal.

Defence Grizzly Jeff Bahr and Joey Goodhew have really come up big lately when they were sent to guard the blueline they got the job done. Mini Model Dan Cabral showed lots of hustle after returning from a flat tire he was right there a few times testing their goalie.

Stretch Chris Hall had a really big game, as he proved Brian Hayward isn't the only goalie to watch from Georgetown. Our second goalie Joey Barber cheered teammates on from the bench, while having a rest after playing three good games in Orangeville.

Streetsville came back to tie Georgetown 3-3 but the Black Machines played a good game against last year's Tri-County champions.

Birdman Judd Richardson and Demolition Dave Markham were tough to beat, Judd just missed a couple of times and Dave was tough along the boards. Ace Robert LaRose fired the third goal in with a nice shot from in front. Defence Jeff Telford stopped a lot of Orange and Black from getting away good shots.

Beaver Lumber's Black Machines travelled to Milton Sunday. Coaches Markham, LaRose,

McLeod and Krause have been busy fine tuning their sports models. Speedster Robert McLeod proved he was there to play some serious hockey when he made an excellent pass to Ace Robert LaRose who finished it off in Milton's net.

Eager Beaver Ryan Smith was fired up with a man in the penalty pitstop, he picked up the puck in our end and skated through the obstacle course for an unassisted goal.

Maddog Mike Maddill and Demolition Dave Markham played tough along the boards digging out the puck. Birdman Judd Richardson just missed a few times, and played some nice penalty, killing. Mini Model Dan Cabral and Mighty Mike Krause played a good game up front.

Grizzly Jeff Bahr fired rubber from defence up to Ace LaRose and speedster Robert McLeod tucked it in Milton's net. Just to be sure of it Speedster Robert McLeod stepped into overdrive again and beat Milton's goalie for his second goal of the game.

Defence Eager Beaver Ryan Smith and Jeff Bahr played strong along the blueline as well as creating action up front. Tiger Jeff Telford and Moose Joey Goodhew had a few shots on net from the blueline, but really played hard along the blueline and in front of our net to clear the puck.

Quickster Joey Barber was in net for the Black Machines, he played an excellent game. Our second goalie Stretch Chris Hall did a great job at keeping things on the bench organized and showing a great display of sportsmanship. Way to keep those coaches on their toes Chris.

P.S. That was Ken Smith's son who dazzled the crowd and his dad's Minor Novice team.

Bodanis Bruins top Ancaster

The Georgetown Major Peeewe "AA" Bodanis Bruins played a home and away series with Ancaster this past week.

A very determined Ancaster team hosted the Major Peeewe on Monday night, and held our chargers to a 3-3 draw. In fact it took a last minute goal from Duke Bouskill, on an assist by Matt Brain, to earn the tie for the Bodanis Bruins.

Doug Sheppard opened the scoring on a play that went from Jamie Stephenson to Duane Erler behind the net to Sheppard in the slot.

Erler counted the other Georgetown goal as he took a Gavin Glaser pass behind the Ancaster net, faked one way and came out the other side to tuck the puck in the open side.

John Waller again provided solid goaltending for the Major Peeewe.

At Alcott Arena on Saturday, the results were very different as the Bodanis Bruins overwhelmed a hapless Ancaster side by a score of

8-0. Sheppard continued his torrid scoring pace as he notched four goals. Blaine McCauley, Mark Aldridge, Glaser and Stephen Onoprijenko each added a single marker. Onoprijenko, Erler, Glaser and Jim Katsilieris earned two assists.

Single helpers went to McCauley, Brain, Stephenson and Aldridge. Chad Hughes recorded the shutout for Georgetown.

Sponsor Dan Bodanis was on hand to witness the fine effort and wished the team good luck in their upcoming tournament in St. Thomas next weekend.

Coaches Chris Milne, Dan Curtis and Wally Petrie are looking for efforts similar to Saturday in the upcoming tournament.

Brendan Alexa puts on show

Brendan Alexa put on a one-man offensive display in leading Young's Pharmacy to an 11-0 triumph over Crossway Donuts, in a Georgetown Minor Hockey Association Novice House League game played last Saturday.

In other Novice House League contests, Lions Club edged Kinsmen Club 2-1 and M and M Sports battled to a 3-3 tie with A and S Engraving.

Alexa scored four goals and added three assists to pace the Young's Pharmacy attack. Brian Normore and John Howell each notched hat tricks, with Kris Noonan rounding out the winners' scoring.

John Howell and Ian Murphy also had three assists in the game, with Kris Noonan counting two assists and Ian Cartwright adding a single helper.

There were only seven Crossway Donuts players on hand for the

game and they all put in a good effort.

Roddy Heinz led the attack in the Lions Club win as he scored both goals. Assists went to Nathan Martin, Tristan Temple and Derrick Elliott.

For the Kinsmen Club team, Andrew Nellissen scored the lone goal with J. Travers assisting.

Adam McDonald put in a fine effort in M and M Sports 3-3 tie with A and S Engraving as he scored twice.

Bobby Finlay scored the other M and M marker, and assisted on both of McDonald's goals. Bryan Foster also had two assists.

For A and S Engraving, Geoff Quinn, Tom Dales and Scott Schlegel were the marksmen. Schlegel also picked up two assists.

Ronald Dillabough, Andrew Boyle and Tom Dales also had assists for A and S Engraving.

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