



Sports Outlook

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Acton public school athletes star at track and field meet

Acton High School's track and field facility was a beehive of activity Wednesday afternoon as junior elementary school students from five Acton and area elementary schools took part in a Junior Track and Field Meet. It was estimated that over 400

young athletes, jumped, ran and threw at the day-long event. Participating schools included Robert Little, M.Z. Bennett, Limehouse, Brookville and St. Joseph's. Complete results will appear in next Wednesday's edition of the Herald.



CHRISTINA Jaecklein of Brookville elementary school puts forth a mighty effort in the girls aged 8-years softball toss.



SHEENA BUTLER, of Limehouse elementary school, attempts to clear the bar in the girls aged 8-years high jump event at Wednesday's junior elementary school students track and field meet. Sheena tied for fourth in the event with Limehouse teammate, Angela Connell and Patricia Jaecklein of Brookville.



PHILIP McINTYRE of Robert Little elementary school just nips his Limehouse elementary school opponent at the finish line to win his heat in the 80-yard dash for boys aged 10 years at Wednesday's track and field meet for junior elementary school students at Acton High School. Philip finished second in the final.

Georgetown Chrysler Raiders

Re-organization is now complete- McFadyen selected as coach

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Georgetown Chrysler Raiders Junior "B" hockey team general manager, Joe Walsh, announced Wednesday afternoon that long-time Georgetown resident and former professional hockey player, Gary McFadyen, has been named the team's new head coach. McFadyen replaces former Raider head coach, Peter Sturgeon, who is no longer with the organization.

In a related announcement, Walsh revealed that Les Smith has been named an assistant coach with the team, replacing Gary Ford, who will remain with the Raider organization in a scouting capacity.

Walsh stated that no decision has been made regarding Jay Anderson, who served as an assistant coach with last year's edition of the Central Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League entry.

The Raiders had a dismal 1989-90 season, finishing a distant last in the West Division of the Central Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League, managing just 15 points in 42 games, on six wins and three ties.

The Raiders were ousted in six games by Streetsville Derbys in an opening round playoff series.

In a telephone interview, McFadyen expressed delight at being selected the Raiders new head coach.

"I'm very pleased," he said. I was interested in the job when it became available and had what I

felt was an excellent interview with the Raiders three weeks ago."

Wholesale player changes are not imminent, according to McFadyen, but he did state, "It's pretty obvious the team needs improvement."

To this end, McFadyen and Walsh will be sitting down together in the near future to analyze the team -- its positives and its negatives.

"Joe and I are going to take a long hard look at the team," said McFadyen. "We'll basically be starting from square one. We'll be looking at last year's players, who I felt displayed a good work ethic, and then going from there."

McFadyen is also excited about the challenge the coaching position with the Raiders represents.

"I'm looking forward to the challenge," he said, "and hopefully we can turn the team's fortunes around. I enjoy working with young hockey players and seeing them develop. Hockey is a great game and for the right type of player, a career opportunity."

McFadyen is employed by Young Drivers of Canada but stated his work schedule was "very flexible," enabling him to devote as much time as was required to the Raiders.

McFadyen was born in Brampton, but moved to Georgetown at an early age and regards Georgetown as his "home town."

He and his wife, Linda, are expecting their first child.

McFadyen played minor hockey in Georgetown up to midget level

and played major junior hockey for Hull in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

He was drafted in the third round by the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs in 1976, but aside from a couple of cups of coffee in exhibition games, never really saw any National Hockey League action.

He played minor professional hockey for five years with stops in Dallas and Tulsa of the Central League, and Milwaukee, Dayton and Muskegon of the International League.

McFadyen was an integral part of the 1981-82 Hardy Cup winning Georgetown Chrysler Raiders intermediate hockey team and was associated with the Raiders intermediate and senior hockey organizations for five years.

McFadyen got into coaching as an assistant with the Georgetown Sunny Acre Farms major midget hockey team, served a year as head coach of the Acton Sabres Junior "C" hockey team and two seasons ago served as an assistant

for former Raider assistant coach, Gary Ford, with the Milton Merchants of the Central Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League.

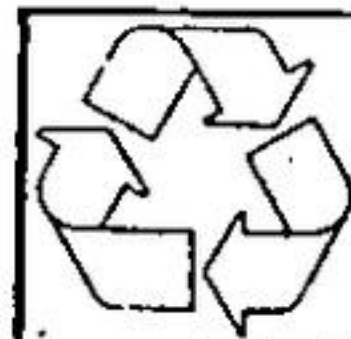
Les Smith, a Guelph resident in his early 30's, is described by McFadyen as "a real student of the game, a great tactician. We'll work well together."

McFadyen and Smith have been friends since the two teamed up as members of the Raider intermediate team that brought the Hardy Cup to Georgetown.

He was also a member of the York University hockey team that won a Canadian championship.

He has his Level IV National Coaching Certificate and has coached Markham, as a Tier II Junior "A" entry and Wexford Junior "B" Raiders.

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