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Tight Raider games signal need for scoring power in lineup

By ROBERT RISK
Herald Sports Editor

After two close exhibition games against the Cambridge Winter Hawks, a 5-3 loss at home on Thursday and a 3-3 tie on the road Sunday, Raiders coach Gary McFadyen is happier the team has

signed on a sniper. McFadyen said the team recently signed left winger Blair Catherwood, fourth highest scorer in the Jr. C League when he played for Schomberg. "He is exactly what we were looking for, a strong forward with finesse around the net. He has played some Jr. B in Richmond

Hill too, so he isn't new to this level either." The coach said he was also satisfied the way one of his lines has begun to work out. The trio of Scott Humber centering Duayne Lewis and Catherwood produced all three of Georgetown's goals in Sunday's game. The Raiders had led 1-0 in the

first, but a seven minute major penalty in the second period allowed the Winter Hawks to come back and lead 3-1 going into the final frame. "The guys came back to tie it up though. Aside from the penalty which cost us, the team looked pretty good ... unlike Thursday's game," said McFadyen.

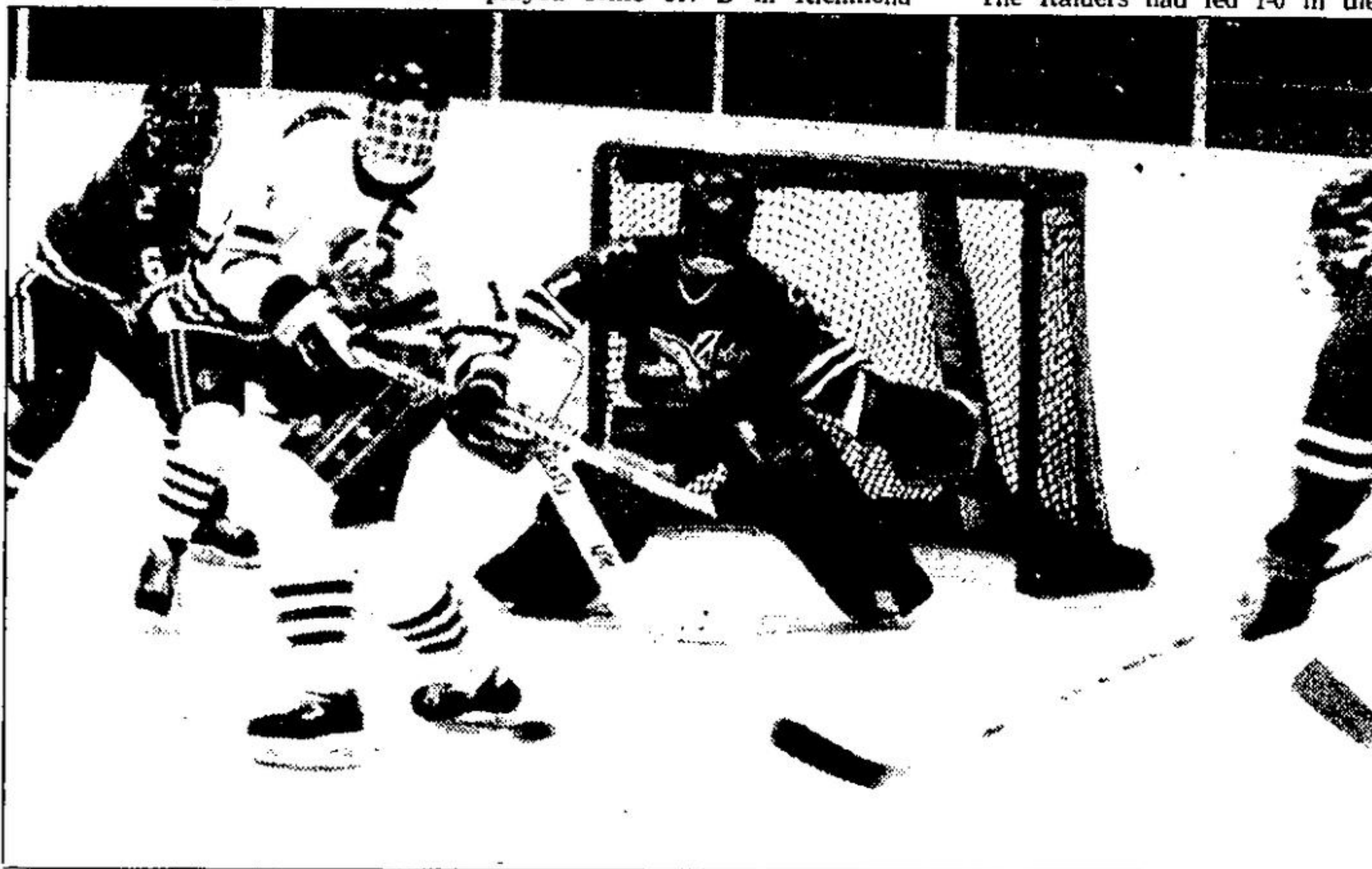
He said the team played "terribly", allowing a shorthanded goal in the second period, which tied the game at 2-2, and that they were not able to do much with the puck while they were inside the Cambridge blue line on the powerplay.

"We've been mixing some line combinations, since there's a lot of experimentation in exhibition, which may have led to the shorthanded goal. As we get closer to the final cuts, the play on the ice should get better, since the guys will be working on more regular shifts."

McFadyen said he expected more cuts to take place this week, though the team is still looking for some more offence, as well as a second goaltender.

"We've got a good goalie in Ted Hodgson, who is signed, and we're looking at Paul St. Pierre who has been doing pretty good, but there are still a few more players that we need to watch first."

Though the beginning of the regular season is on Sept. 29, at home against the Oakville Blades, the coach said he will be trying to set up one more exhibition game this week, though he didn't have anything definite yet.



Raiders forward Matt Rudnicki attempts to deflect a shot from the point into the Cambridge net during their exhibition game on Thursday night at Alcott

Arena. The Georgetown team lost 5-3 to the Winter Hawks, but managed a 3-3 tie when they met again on Sunday in Cambridge. (Herald photo by Robert Risk)

Sabres start out slowly with two losses

By ROBERT RISK
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The start of the exhibition schedule for the Acton Sabres Jr. C team has not been a kind one. After playing at Gordon Alcott Arena to Mount Forest and losing 4-3, they lost the next night 4-1 to Stayner on the road.

Sabre coach and general manager Ken Steen said he wasn't happy with the game results, especially the 4-3 loss to Mount Forest.

"We were leading 3-1 with four minutes to go in the game and they still managed to beat us. We played a strong first half against Stayner, trailing 2-1 halfway through the game before the team fell apart."

Steen said one of the main items the Sabres need is a strong line that can put the puck in the net and pressure opposition defences to make mistakes.

"I feel that we have a strong defensive team that can kill penalties well, but we need the scorers too."

Another positive point, said the coach, was that the Sabres players seemed to be taking fewer penalties, something that he has been emphasizing with them. He said it was important that not too much pressure was put too often on the defence.

"Too many penalties can definitely hurt us, like they did last year. They have to still want to be aggressive, but not stupid out on the ice."

Steen said he was also pleased

with the efforts of two Sabre forwards, Mark Brusneau, who scored two goals and Mike Rush who netted the other in the 4-3 loss to Mount Forest.

"The goaltending has been pretty good with guys like Jim Manitone and Paul St. Pierre (who is also trying out for the Jr. B Raiders squad). We're still looking at players and waiting for the last few cuts to come from the Raiders later this week to see who is available."

He said there are about seven or eight AAA and AA players currently trying for spots on the team, but that only two or three might be taken in, though he wouldn't specify who. Steen said he had told those players he had cut that there was a good chance they would be asked back later this season, especially if injuries required replacement skaters.

"One of our main goals is to win, especially the games at home. We need the home crowds to come and see us play. Last year we had only two wins in Acton, though we had a .500 team on the road," said Coach Steen.

The Sabres are scheduled to play Thursday night in Flamborough and then the next night against Stayner at Alcott Arena. On Monday, the team travels to Schomberg, before returning to Alcott for a match against Flamborough on Friday and their final pre-season game on Sunday in Mount Forest. The Sabres' regular season begins Oct. 5 when they play Alliston at home, starting at 8:30 p.m.



An Acton and a Mount Forest player vie for position during an exhibition match at the Alcott Arena on Friday evening. The opening game of the year for the Sabres didn't go well, as they dropped a 3-1 lead in the third period to lose 4-3. (Herald photo)

SPORT SHORTS

European tour

Adult hockey players in Halton Hills looking for a real change of pace might be interested in playing some non-contact games in Europe this winter.

Manager Dave Springett is the organizer of tours for players, regardless of ability, and says he hopes to find some interested area players to sign up for this year's trip.

"All the players have a great hockey experience, get to visit different countries, and compete against Europeans, which few players get the chance to do," he added.

Each player is responsible for his own travel expenses, while the club provides uniforms, duffle bags, jackets, and makes all the travel arrangements. Players from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Newfoundland and the United States have participated in the past.

The entire team is filled on a first come, first serve basis and will play five non-contact exhibition games during the 11 day tour. All area players are welcome and can get more information on registration by calling Dave Springett at (204) 632-1521.

Hockey dance features band

The Georgetown Minor Hockey Association is presenting Hockey Rock II, a dance featuring music from the 1950's and '60's, on Saturday, September 29 at the Georgetown Memorial Arena on Mill Street.

The event will be from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. and the music will be provided by a live band, "Haircuts and Ponytails".

This dance is the major fundraiser for the GMHA and tickets are expected to be sold out, so interested parties are asked to order their tickets now. Anyone wanting them can call Dave Martin at 877-7113 or one of the GMHA executives.

Turkey shoot

The Georgetown Anglers and Hunters Association is continuing their turkey shoot, which runs every second Sunday, the next one being Sept. 30.

The event will take place at the 8th Line in Erin, one half mile north of the Halton-Erin Townline.

The dates of the turkey shoot are Sept. 30, Oct. 14, 28, Nov. 4, 18 and Dec. 2. All outings begin at noon.

Chess Club holds meeting

The Halton Hills Community Chess Club is holding its first meeting of the season tonight (Wednesday) at the Georgetown District High School, starting at 7:00 p.m.

The club meets every Wednesday from 7:00-11:00 p.m. at GDHS and is open to people of all ages. There are members present who are experienced in tournament play to help with instruction.

For further information call Chris Bertelsen at 877-6966.