

Sabres ACTON

By ROBERT RISK
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Acton Sabres won two of their three weekend games, but still remain in third place behind Schomberg, which defeated Sabres 5-4 Thursday.

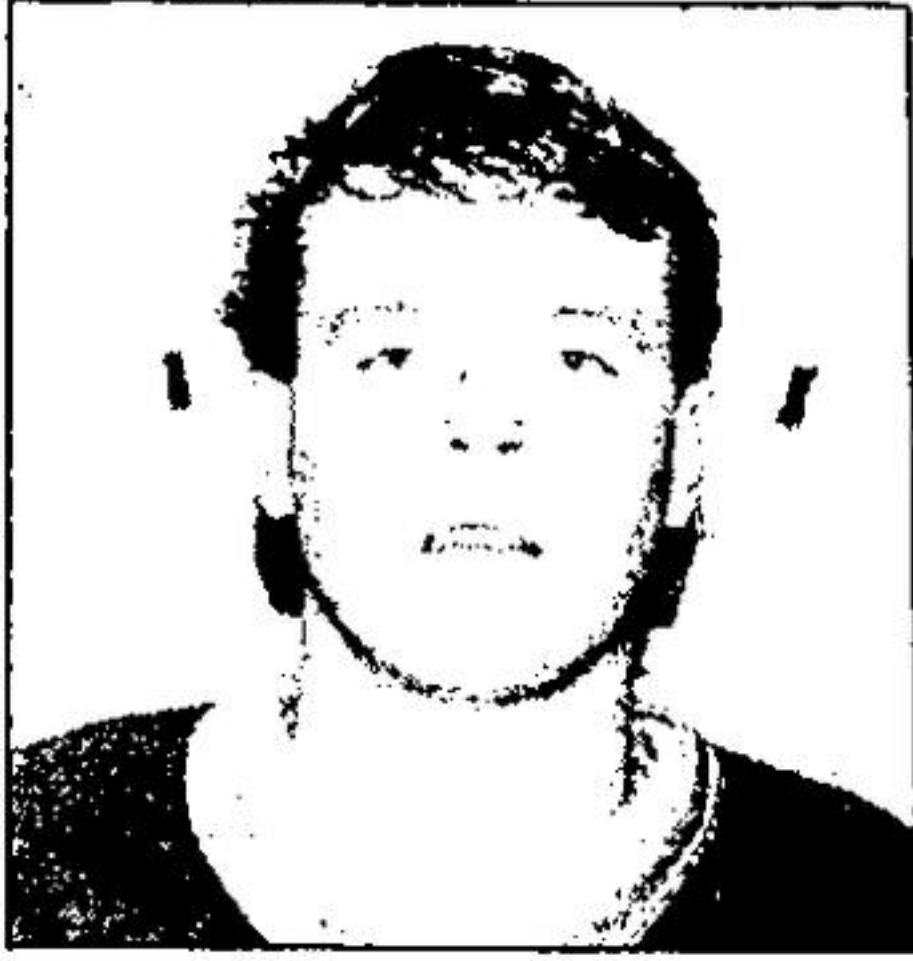
Coach Ken Steen said he wasn't sure how Schomberg did in its other weekend games, but after the defeat, Acton stood five points back.

"Since we won our other two games, we should still be in good shape. It's too bad we lost to Schomberg though. Two mistakes cost us a couple of goals and it might have turned out differently that night."

Acton sniper Jeff Shevalier

continued to find the net, scoring two goals against Schomberg, followed by Jamie Curran with one and Craig Kerfoot with the other.

Friday's game at home marked the return of Craig Cullen to the Sabre scoring sheet. Cullen, signed Wednesday, was the



Adam Hilts

highest leading scorer for Sabres when he left the team to play Jr. A hockey in Western Canada last year. He is one of the main people Steen hopes will help the team in the playoffs.

"He definitely can score goals for us. When he left the team last year, he had 18 goals and 18 assists after just 19 games."

Sabre president Mitch Lajeunesse echoed the sentiments of Steen, emphasizing that more scoring is needed in order to match the offensive output of league-leading Orangeville Crushers, which Acton hosts Saturday.

"We have to beat Orangeville to show our guys that we can take the championship. Since we haven't beat them yet this season, and we're trying to get ahead of Schomberg, this game coming up is important."

Lajeunesse said one thing that is puzzling him is the absence of

spectators when the team is doing so well recently.

"It's really too bad seeing less than 100 people in the stands. This is the best team Acton has had in quite a few years and the players aren't getting much support at home. I see more people watching when the Novice team plays."

At home Friday, Sabres defeated Goderich 7-5, highlighted by an extra effort from Adam Hilts, who scored while the Sabres had two men in the penalty box.

Also scoring for Sabres were Kerfoot, Shevalier, Jim English, Paul Larsen and Jesse Naden.

Sunday's game against Wingham featured shutout goaltending from Greg Powell, who Steen credited with sparking a 7-0 performance from his scoring lines.

"He really kept the door closed on them in the first period. After that, we just seemed to take over

the momentum of the game."

Curran had another good night, earning a hat trick, while English, Hilts, Phil Fraser and Jason Lucas each had one goal. Also contributing to the effort was defenceman Jason Sawyer, who was the last import player to be signed by the team.



Greg Powell

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Weekend scoring assault subdues Raider defence



By ROBERT RISK
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How Georgetown Raiders can defeat first place Milton 7-4 one week and then lose 11-2 the next is something coach Gary McFadyen is trying to figure out.

"That's the \$64,000 question. They (Milton and Oakville, which won 11-0 Saturday) were both really flying out there. You can see why they're two of the top teams in the league."

McFadyen said the first period with Milton was close and could have been 3-2 if the puck had bounced Raiders way a few times.

Though the team was missing a few players due to injuries, (Scott Humber - knee, Pierre James - strained ligaments, Grant Dexter - shoulder) the coach said that wasn't really an excuse for how the team performed.



Gary McFadyen

"The intensity of play and the work effort just wasn't there. I thought we were terrible defensively as a team. A few guys were out, but in the crunch you have to be able to tighten up about two lines."

Raider's two newest acquisitions, netminder Jason Sirota and forward Corey Ames played against Milton, with Ames notching the first of his team's two goals. Rob Doucette had a good outing, assisting on Ames and

scoring the second goal.

McFadyen said both goaltenders played well, stopping 37 shots during Saturday's game, but didn't get much help in their own zone from either the defencemen or forwards.

"There are a few players who really worked out there. John Williamson played very well this weekend, just as he's done for most of the season. Even when we were down by several goals, he gave 100 per cent."

McFadyen said Raiders will be looking at a few more potential additions to the team at their practices this week as they look to fill their two remaining cards. Raiders play Burlington on the road Friday, returning home to play Streetsville Saturday.

CENTRAL JUNIOR B West Division Standings

TEAM	G	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Milton	36	23	8	5	230	134	51
Oakville	35	21	7	7	219	126	49
Brampton	35	21	11	3	219	156	45
Streetsville	35	17	14	4	190	190	38
Burlington	35	17	16	2	158	161	36
Georgetown	35	10	25	0	133	222	20
Peterborough	35	3	31	1	124	262	7

Sunday's Results

Burlington 8, Brampton 6

Saturday's Result

Oakville 11, Georgetown 0



Alice Frazer discusses strategy with her Vice Skip, Shirley Wilkinson, during play in last Saturday's 'Wee Lassie' Bonselpiel, sponsored by Alice Frazer, and staged by the North Halton Golf and Country Club's curling facility. The bonselpiel was won by the rink skipped by Marion Smeaton, which included Vice Carol Taylor, Second Joy Noble and Lead Ev McLaren. (Herald photo by Colin Gibson)

Smeaton curling team captures ladies title

By ELLEN BURNS
Herald Special

Skip Marion Smeaton led her team to a first place victory at the "Wee Lassie" ladies in-club bonselpiel on Jan. 19 at the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

Smeaton's team, which included Carol Taylor (vice), Joy Noble (second) and Ev McLaren, took top spot, followed by the team of Mary Wands, Lena Burns, Donna Purcell, and Deanne Bayko. Finishing third were Joan Shapcott, Mae Cartwright, Elda Watts and Gerda Stefan.

The "Hog Line" prizes were won by Gerda Stefan in the morning and Jean Connolly in the afternoon. Lucky draw prize winners were Enid Muir, Melena Letson, Eva Bradley and Lynn Fearn-Stewart.

Many thanks went to Alice Frazer for continuing to sponsor this bonselpiel, and to the hard-working committee of Theresa Smith, Erica Thompson and Janet Dean, for arranging the fun-filled day.

The Business Girls "Trophy Playdowns, Zone G" being played at Dixie Curling Club, began on Jan. 19 and continue until today. Twelve teams have entered this competition.

Representing North Halton is Skip Karin Henderson, Vice Marie Stone, Second Betty Cox, and Lead Delores Houghton.

The Junior Section is continuing along their season very well and attended a refresher course held last Sunday.

A team will play in the O.C.A. Zone Playdowns being held in Shelburne on Feb. 2.



A Georgetown Raider defenceman has a discussion with an Oakville player about where he is allowed to stand on the ice. Raiders failed to get across that

point to their opponents last weekend, losing 11-2 at Milton Friday and 11-0 to Oakville at Alcott on Saturday. (Herald photo by Colin Gibson)