

Raiders improving on ice performance



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After being trounced 11-2 and 11-0 Jan. 18 and 19, Georgetown Raiders tightened up their play last weekend, dropping a 5-4 decision to Burlington and tying Streetsville 3-3 on Saturday.

Raiders outshot Burlington 48-37, but failed to earn a tie against the home team on Friday. Regardless, coach Gary McFadyen said he wasn't com-

pletely unhappy with the effort.

"After coming off that trouncing the weekend before, being able to play two closer games is encouraging. It shows that the players aren't getting discouraged and have kept trying."

The scoring of that game reflected McFadyen's words, showing Raiders trailing 3-1 in the first period before managing to tie it 3-3 in the third.

Raider's Rob Doucette had opened the scoring for Georgetown on a powerplay goal at 4:41 of the first period to tie the game at 1-1. After Burlington led 3-1, Corey Ames scored two in a row to tie it up in the third period.

Burlington scored twice in the third period to lead 5-3 before Pierre James netted a goal on a set up from Scott Humber and

Duane Lewis at 15:15. Raiders pulled goalie Jason Sirota late in the game for an extra attacker, but couldn't manage to get the equalizer.

McFadyen said several players gave standout performances in that game, notably Corey Ames, recently acquired after he had started playing Jr. B hockey for Streetsville.

"He has been working very hard on the ice, getting two goals and an assist against Burlington. Marty Savoy (two assists on Friday) and John Williamson (one assist Friday) have been doing well as a line together since Ames joined the team."

Saturday at Alcott Arena, Raiders again found themselves having to overcome an early lead. Raiders were down 2-0 in

the second period before Adam Hagen scored, assisted by Duane Lewis and Rob Doucette at 11:59.

Bill McDonald, another workhorse highlighted by McFadyen this year, scored an unassisted goal at 19:29 of the same period to tie the match 2-2.

The home side took a temporary lead at 2:21 of the final period on a goal from Rob Doucette, assisted by Dan Fournel and Adam Hagen. The lead didn't hold however, as Streetsville scored less than three minutes later.

One noteworthy item about Saturday's game against Derbys was the absence of penalties. Only one was recorded, which is something Raider president Finn Poulstrup said the team will be more conscious of as the playoffs

draw closer.

Poulstrup said the team is still looking to fill three of their cards before the season ends and have recently suited up Mark Skillen, a defenceman who had earlier played for Brampton.

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West Division Standings						
TEAM	G	W	L	T	F	A Pts.
Milton	37	24	7	5	2	240 128 84
Brampton	37	23	11	3	2	231 123 89
Oakville	36	22	7	7	2	212 122 81
Streetsville	37	17	16	4	1	171 201 38
Burlington	37	16	15	4	1	161 158 40
Georgetown	37	19	26	1	1	138 227 21
Peterborough	37	3	33	1	1	126 267 7

Saturday's Results
Georgetown 2, Streetsville 3
Brampton 5, Peterboro 4
Burlington 3, Milton 3

Friday's Results
Burlington 5, Georgetown 4
Oakville 5, Streetsville 3
Milton 10, Peterboro 4

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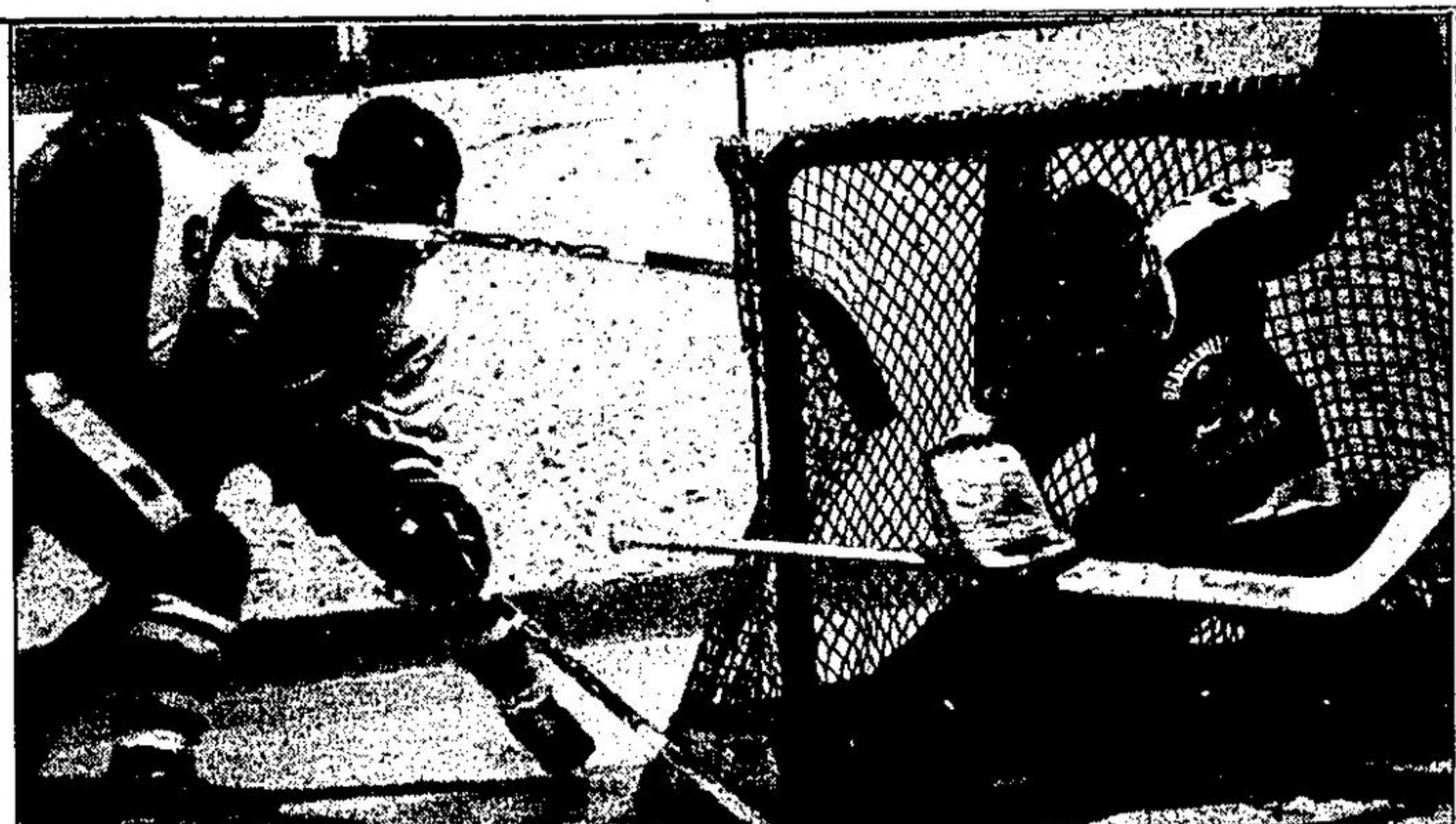
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Orangeville Crusher goalie is forced to make a quick skate save against a Sabre forward during their game at Acton Arena Saturday night. Sabres led Crushers 1-0 in the first period, but the visitors escaped with a 2-1 victory. (Herald photo by Lisa Boonstoppel-Pot)

Third place finish likely as Sabres split weekend

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Acton Sabres completed half of their weekend assignment, beating second place Schomberg 7-5 Friday, but lost 2-1 to Orangeville Saturday.

Both games were significant ones for Sabres, who needed the victories to climb into second place ahead of Schomberg and obtain a first round playoff bye. Friday's victory at home against Schomberg put Sabres one point up, but the loss to Orangeville and Cougar's win over Bradford saw Acton drop back again.

Sabre coach Ken Steen said he still would like to get the bye, but is unlikely to, since Cougars have two games remaining in which to obtain two points.

"We have just one game left, against Fergus (in last place) on Friday, while Schomberg plays Alliston (second last place) as well as Fergus. They're likely to get at least one win out of that."

In the event there is a tie for second, (ie. Acton beats Fergus and Schomberg only manages a tie in their last two games) Acton would be awarded second place, having outscored Cougars in

their matchups this season. Steen said he would be just as comfortable if Sabres finished in third, since that would see the team playing Fergus in the first round of the playoffs.

"We've done well against them this season (winning all their games) and are looking to advance in the playoffs (against Schomberg in the second round)."

Steen said both games were well played, with Sabres being able to play a high scoring game against Schomberg, which has



KEN STEEN

one of the lowest goals against in the league and then holding the high scoring Crusher team to two goals the following night.

"We could have had a lot more goals against Schomberg, but we missed on a few good opportunities. They're a good defensive team, but we know we can score against them."

Steen said the team was "robbed" Saturday when playing Orangeville, since the Sabres had clearly scored to tie the game up in the third, but the referee hadn't seen the puck go in the net.

"It definitely went in, hitting the back of the net and coming back out again. It's just one of those things that gets missed by the referees, I guess."

Acton's assistant captain Jason Lucas had a good outing against Schomberg, scoring two goals and assisting on two others, while Jim English was close behind with a goal and two assists. Adam Hills and Paul Larsen each had a goal and one assist. Jeff Shevalier and Craig Cullen notched one goal and two assists each. Jamie Curran scored the lone Sabre goal against Orangeville, assisted by Cullen and Shevalier.

Martial arts group honors Mayor Miller

In recognition of his hospitality to some visitors from Japan, Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller was awarded an honorary black belt in the Japanese martial art of Aikido at Stewarttown Public School last Thursday.

Yoshinkan Aikido is a non-competitive martial art that provides effective self defense without undue aggression. It is a non-profit affiliate of Halton Hills Recreation and Parks department that holds its classes on Monday and Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings at Stewarttown Public School.

In October, Dojocho Shioda, the son of Soke Gozo Shioda, the founder of Yoshinkan Aikido, visited Halton Hills for a series of aikido demonstration and clinics. Miller impressed the delegation with his hospitality and was awarded the belt by Soke Sensei, a high honor.

The local affiliate is operated by instructors Alister Thomson (5th degree black belt) and Fred Haynes (4th) who trained as instructors at the Japan headquarters for several years. The aim of the Halton Hills Yoshinkan Aikido is to develop aikido for the Halton Hills community and has had a good following since it began in October.

Aikido techniques can be trac-

ed back more than 800 years to the Samurai in Japan. The Samurai, a hereditary class of warriors during Japan's feudal period, followed a strict code of chivalry and tradition called Bushido, "the way of the warrior." They studied many styles of armed and unarmed combat which were passed down through generations of families who refined them over the years.

Since World War II, several Aikido styles developed. The Yoshinkan style stresses training the body to perform techniques as perfectly as possible, while developing the mind through the discipline of study, practice and work with other students.

Because of its non-aggressive nature, Aikido is taught to all police forces throughout Japan. Instructors Thomson and Haynes received the top award for best demonstration at the 1987 All Japan Yoshinkan Aikido Demonstration, the first time this had been achieved by a non-Japanese group.

Training fees are \$25 for six classes/week. HHYA membership is \$15. Spectators and beginners are welcome to drop in and watch classes in progress. A two-month beginners course starts Feb. 4-9. Contact Fred Haynes at 873-1295 or Alister Thomson at 853-2040 for more information.



Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller was presented with an honorary black belt in the Japanese martial art of Aikido from instructor Fred Haynes at Stewarttown Public School last Thursday. Aikido is a non-competitive martial art that is being taught as an affiliate program through the Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department. (Herald photo)