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Sabres beat Cougars to advance to finals

By **ROBERT RISK**
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 Acton Sabres brought the house down Wednesday night by defeating Schomberg 6-5 in double overtime on their home ice Wednesday night, advancing them to the Mid-Ontario Jr. C finals against Orangeville Crushers.

Sabres had given their supporters a scare late in the game, allowing Cougars to score two third period goals to tie it 5-5 after Acton seemed to have the match wrapped up 5-3 at the end of two.

John Van Dam had the biggest night for Sabres, scoring twice and assisting on two others, including the game winner. Van

Dam opened the scoring at 6:57 of the first on a set up from Keith Kerfoot and Mark Brommersma.

Tim McDonald increased the lead for Sabres five minutes later with a long slapshot outside the blueline that skimmed the ice and managed to beat the Schomberg netminder.

Acton's scoring came to a temporary halt at the beginning of the second period when the team was trying to kill some penalties. Scoring 39 seconds after the faceoff, Schomberg then tied it up 2-2 at 4:14 when Sabres were two men shorthanded.

Sabres went up 3-2 when Adam Hilts took a pass from Jesse Nadon and deked out a defenceman to go in alone on the Cougar goalie, beating him with a wrist shot.

Acton's lead was shortlived, as Cougars scored 39 seconds later by stripping an Acton defender of the puck and converting on the breakaway chance.

Jason Lucas re-lit the spark for Sabres at 11:38, moving from centre ice and getting around a Schomberg defenceman to feed Van Dam who backhanded it in for a 4-3 lead.

Van Dam returned the favor three minutes later when he went digging in the corner and passed to Lucas in front of the net. The Sabre assistant captain had all day to decide where to put the puck, giving his team a 5-3 lead to end the second period.

Needing a win to return home Thursday for game seven, Schomberg refused to give up, scoring at 1:38 of the third frame. With just over five minutes remaining, a Schomberg forward split Acton's defence to score the equalizer, eventually forcing overtime.

Mike McElroy played the hero for Acton, teeing up a pass that Van Dam had slid to him from the left point. McElroy's slapshot beat Cougar's goalie on the stick side at 8:37 of the second overtime period.

Sabres play at Orangeville tonight at 8:30 p.m. with game two at Acton Arena on Sunday at 1:30 p.m.



Acton Sabres players celebrate their 6-5 double overtime victory over Schomberg by piling on top of Mike McElroy, who scored the semi-final series' winning goal at Acton Arena Wednesday night.

Sabres play Orangeville tonight in game one of the Mid-Ontario playoff finals. (Herald photo by Robert Risk)

SPORT SHORTS

\$10,000 event at Acton rink

Over \$10,000 in prize money will be up for grabs at the Provincial Major League Curling Championships, being held at Acton and Milton's curling rinks March 1-3.

Twenty-eight curling leagues from across Ontario will be represented at the tournament, with two of them being from Halton. Pat Arbuthnot, Glen Christie, Brian Scott and Mark Wilcox form Halton H.L.M. Insurance Major Curling League "A" team. Gary Campbell, Stu Garner, Hugh Murphy and Don Powell comprise the Halton "B" team.

Teams from Southern Ontario will play four games against Northern Ontario opponents beginning March 1, with playoffs March 2 starting at 11:00 a.m. at Acton Arena.

Canada Games

Three local athletes have helped the Ontario team stay close to Quebec in the race for top provincial team at the Canada Winter Games in Prince Edward Island.

Georgetown resident Angela Stiles, 12, one of the youngest competitors at the games, helped her artistic gymnastics team win the gold medal for overall performance on Tuesday. She also competed in individual events on Thursday, but results were unavailable at press time.

Cara Kato, a Glen Williams resident, won a silver medal in Judo's 52-56 kilogram class on Feb. 18. Terra Cotta fencer Tracey Bayles placed second in women's epee on Feb. 18 and seventh on Feb. 20.

Coach's Night

The Georgetown Minor Hockey Association is holding its annual coach appreciation dance March 23 at Holy Cross Auditorium. The dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. and continue until 1:00 a.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Tickets are available from any team manager or GMHA executive.

Bridge Club

Georgetown's Duplicate Bridge Club's winners this week were 1. Cora Fairbridge and Mike Lorusso. 2. Tied for second were Harry Arbic and Jack Kaarsemaker with Pat and George Farrow. 3. Karol Tobiasz and Rene march.

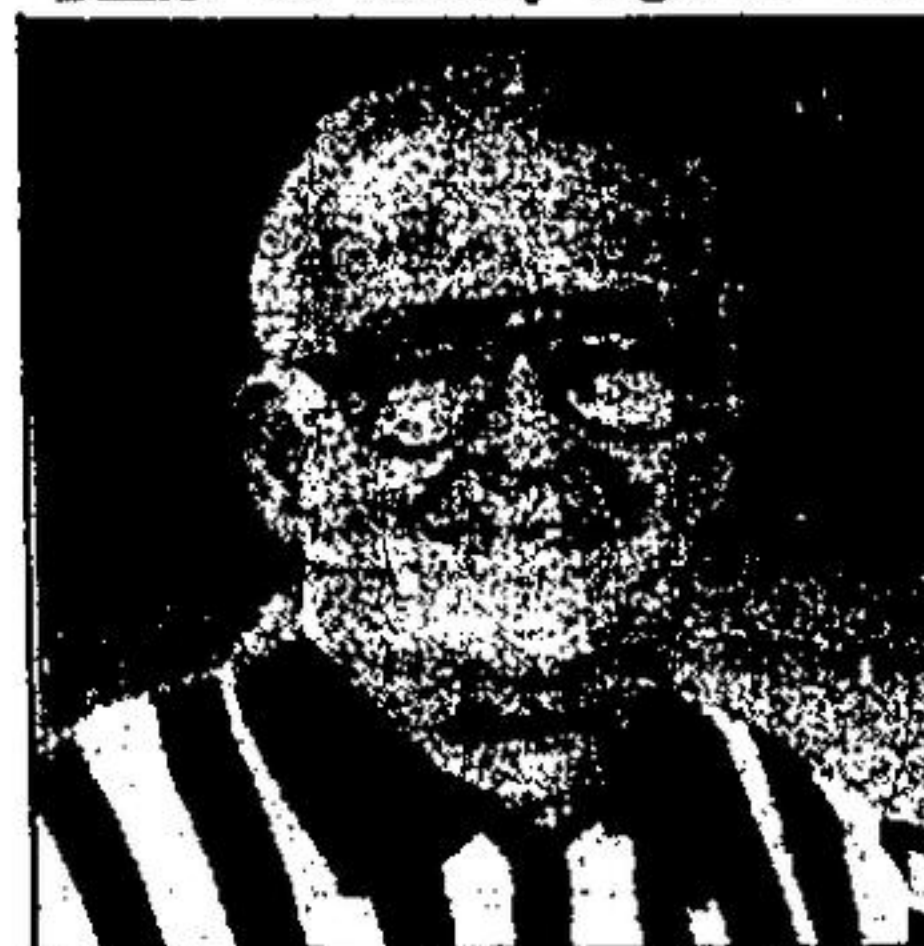
Skating cancelled

Public skating at the Acton Arena on Sunday has been cancelled, due to the Sabres Jr. C playoff game. Sabres defeated Schomberg Wednesday night, advancing the team to the Mid-Ontario final series against Orangeville.

Acton plays game one tonight (Friday) at Orangeville, with game two Sunday in Acton at 1:30 p.m., forcing the cancellation of public skating.

Hockey Heritage Council to honor Gerry Perkins

Gerry Perkins, one of the founders of the Georgetown Referees Association, is the guest of honor at the Georgetown Hockey Heritage Council Award Dinner on Monday night at the



Holy Cross Auditorium. Over 300 tickets were sold for the event, which also features many special guests, such as Hockey Night in Canada's Ron Maclean, who is the evening's master of ceremonies.

Other guests include Bryan Lewis, director of NHL officiating, Georgetown native Adam Bennett, now playing for Sudbury Wolves of the OHL and several former Toronto Maple Leafs, such as Syd Smith, Harry Watson and Peter Conacher.

Halton Hills Herald publisher Bob Malcolmson will be continuing the newspaper's annual presentation of a picture portrait to Perkins during the course of the evening.



Rebel scramble

Georgetown District High School Rebel senior volleyball players Sheril Cave (12) dives to come up with a save during the Halton championship game at GDHS as Sarah Broughton (6) and Natalie Goldson wait nearby. Rebel seniors defeated Bishop Reding 15-6, 15-7, 15-13 on Tuesday to take the title. Rebel junior team defeated Lord Elgin in four sets to win the Halton junior championship on Tuesday. (Herald photo by Robert Risk)

Georgetown Bantam tournament

Organization of Georgetown's 31st annual Bantam Tournament, which runs from March 9-16, is almost completed.

So far, 28 of the 32 teams have indicated they will be taking part. The four vacancies will be filled this weekend after the quarter-finals of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association playdowns have been completed.

One team from the United States (Buffalo area) will be tak-

ing part, along with groups from as far away as North Bay, Napanee and Gloucester. Several teams from the area will also be playing, such as Halton Hurricanes and Acton Sabres.

The first game is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. on March 9, with the playoffs beginning March 15 at 10:30 a.m. All games are at Alcott Arena. Georgetown and Acton face each other at 8:00 p.m. on March 9.