



FOUR FRIENDS: Acton's Makaella Haefner (left), Bria Constable, Karena Haefner and Kayla Willett enjoyed the free skate – courtesy of the Rotary Club of Acton, at the Acton arena on Friday. – Frances Niblock photo



REGULAR LAPS: Acton's Joyce Kendall (right) and Vilma Genc are regulars at the Acton arena for the twice weekly adult skate. – Frances Niblock photo

Bantam Chargers Win Red and White Tourney

Once again the total team effort of the Pacific Paving Bantam Chargers Selects was evident in the Red and White Tournament held in Schomberg on December 27.

First up were the tournament favourites, TNT#2 from the Alliston area. A very tight game but Acton prevailed 3-2 with goals from Reilly Constable (2) and Brock Fagan. Assists went to Chris Dunlop, Stanley Plunkett, Erich Haefner and Reid Roberts.

Next up was the Home town team from Schomberg. A slow start found Acton down 4-1 after one period. The rally started with three goals in two minutes and 35 seconds in the second period. The third was back and forth with plays being made at both ends. Acton was given a penalty with less than two minutes left. That didn't deter the character of this team as Reid Roberts came through with a short-handed goal with a minute left in the game to give Acton a lead they would not relinquish

even with the goalie pulled and facing a 6 on 4 winning the game 5-4. Acton goals: Reilly Constable (2), Brock Fagan, Brodey Northey and Roberts. Assists go to Matt Field, Stanley Plunkett, Jason Goodfellow, Matt Dawkins and Griffin Robinson.

In the Championship Finals, Acton was up against Oakville. Acton was off to a quick start with a 2-0 lead early in the first period. Oakville never gave up and kept battling back to tie it at three. Finally in the third period Goodfellow scored the tournament winner as the rest of the team worked hard to keep that lead at 4-3 until the final buzzer. Acton goals to Graham Collins, Reid Roberts (2) and Goodfellow. Assists to Brodey Northey (2), Matt Dawkins and Ryan Vermeulen.

The Coaching Staff, Scott Dales, Mike Dawkins, Paul Vermeulen, Ray Gear and Team Manager Kelly Dales would like to congratulate the whole team on a great effort from start to finish.

Strong showing for Novice Tanners

Tanner BB Novice squad face Woolwich on Saturday

The Chudleighs Novice Acton BB Tanners competed recently at the Hespeler Olympics, and had mixed results, but an overall successful showing in the higher Division 'A' tournament.

They started against the Owen Sound Jr. Attack who quickly went up 2-0 in three minutes. Acton regrouped and Jackson Philips slid one through the goalie from James Palmer. Owen Sound regained the two goal lead before Matthew Geim lifted one over the goalie from Evan Ashe and Palmer. Before the end of the wild first, Riley Drexler banged one in from Jaret Rosenburg to deadlock it 3-3. From there, the Tanners'

defence of Thomas Holmes, Benoit Cuerrier, Jordan Caruso and Palmer and timely saves from Matthew Lantz shut down the Attack offense. In the second, Owen Kennedy found Geim who gave Acton their first lead, and in the third, Rosenburg sent Kennedy in to notch the insurance marker in the 5-3 win.

Later, the Orillia Terriers opened up a 6-0 lead, but Acton ended the loss on a high note with 21 seconds left when Rosenburg scored from Philips and Drexler.

Next, was a tight checking game against Georgetown. After a scoreless first, the Raiders opened the scoring in the second.

Then Acton's Philips and Holmes combined to setup Rosenburg to tie it up. Georgetown took the 2-1 lead minutes later and both goalies shut the door the rest of the way.

Finally, Acton took on the desperate TNT Tornados who needed a win to advance to the semi-finals. TNT were up 2-0 late in the third, and cruising to victory, before the tenacious Tanners came alive. First, Drexler passed to Rosenburg who deked out the goalie to start the comeback. With two minutes left, Geim was hauled down on a breakaway. In dramatic

fashion, Geim made no mistake on the ensuing penalty shot as he wristed the equalizer top shelf past the beleaguered Tornados goalie.

Acton's next home action is Saturday at 4:30 p.m. vs. Woolwich.

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