

VEGAS BOUND

The Georgetown Chrysler Raiders completed their regular season with a 5-3 win over Burlington last Saturday. The local Jr. B hockey team held fan appreciation night with Randy Perkins (left) claiming the grand prize, a trip for two to Atlantic City. Team director Lou Piercy made the presentation.

Playoff dates

(best of five with Burlington)

Game 1 - Feb. 14 in Burlington
 Game 2 - Feb. 15 in Georgetown
 Game 3 - Feb. 17 in Burlington
 Game 4 - Feb. 18 in Georgetown
 Game 5 - Feb. 20 in Burlington



Guest list growing for Heritage dinner

The list of special guests that will join in honoring Georgetown Hockey Heritage recipient Herb Robinson continues to grow.

Last week the Hockey Heritage committee announced that Ottawa Senators general manager Mel Bridgman and CART Indy Car driver Scott Goodyear would be on hand for the March 2 event, along with emcee Ron MacLean.

Add a few more names to the list of dignitaries that will help honor Robinson for his years of dedicated

service to minor hockey.

Local resident, and Director of Officials for the National Hockey League, Bryan Lewis will be on hand along with CFTO Sports Director Gerry Dobson and Canadian Triathlon team member Nancy Dobson. Former NHLers Pete Conacher and Bobby Hamilton will also be in attendance.

Tickets for the 15th annual event have been brisk with a limited number still available. For more information call 873-0404.

HALTON HILLS WEEKEND

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Bronze medal

The Central Region "B" short course championships were held in Scarborough February 1 and 2 with three members of the Halton Hills Blue Fins attending this meet and achieved excellent results.

Participating in a total of twelve events the swimmers placed in the top six spots in ten events, bringing home seven medals, seven personal best times and three club records.

In the 13/14 girls 50 freestyle Leigh Shillington earned the bronze medal and set a personal best time. Sabrina Bassett in the 15 and over age group won gold in the 50 and 100 freestyle events, silver in the 100 back and bronze in the 200 freestyle.

Neil Scudder, 15 and over boys group, handily won gold in the 100 and 200 backstroke events which also earned him club records and personal best times.

The meet was well attended by some of the top clubs in the central region.

Too tough

After finishing third overall in the regular season standings, the Georgetown AA Minor Novices competed this past week in the first round of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association playoffs.

They faced first-place Streetsville, and despite their best efforts and enthusiastic play, they came up short and were eliminated from this series in three games.

The next level of competition for the McNally squad will be the Tri-County Playoffs which begin early next month.

Free throw event

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 inclusive as at January 1, 1992 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 1992 Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship. Last year more than 172,000 sharpshooters participated in 2,581 local competitions.

The Georgetown competition will be held February 22 9:30 a.m. to noon at: St. Francis of Assisi School, 2 Duncan Drive, Georgetown, Ontario, L7G 4L7

The International Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually by the Knights of Columbus with winners progressing through local, district, and state/provincial levels of the competition.



Acton Sabres netminder Greg Powell has stood tall in the local nets this past week, helping the Junior C squad get back into the playoff picture with wins of 7-4 and 5-2 over Bradford. Game seven of the best-of-seven series was played Friday night in Bradford.

Sunny Acre Farm Midgets no match for Orangeville

The Georgetown Sunny Acres Midgets made a hasty exit from the OMHA playoffs this year, dropping a pair of games to the Orangeville. Scores of 8-7 and 6-4.

In Georgetown the visitors scored on their first shot on net, 30 seconds into the game. Mark Daird and Chris Barrows erased that effort, putting Sunny Acres ahead 2-1 late in the first period. Justin Wees and Ryan Price assisted on Daird's marker while Daird provided the only assist on Barrow's goal.

The lead was short-lived, however, as Orangeville proceeded to pump in the next four goals in the span of less than six minutes.

Georgetown crawled back to within one on the strength of goals by Ryan Ward and Greg Dobbin. Mark David again assisted on Ward's goal, while Dobbins was an unassisted effort.

The teams traded goals over the next five minutes, Georgetown's Tim Presswood tallying from Ward and Dustin Thompson but the Sunny Acre crew found themselves trailing 8-5 late in the third.

The locals made things interesting when Mark Daird scored his second of the night from Pirie and then added his third assist of the contest on Tim Presswood's second goal.

The game ended with

Georgetown pulling their goaltender and pressing hard by they were unable to come up with the tying goal.

In Orangeville the next evening the Sunny Acres group knew they were going to have to play better defensive hockey to defeat the home side.

The game started out well as the first period was scoreless, featuring hard checking and end to end rushes. In the second, period Georgetown let down their guard for a moment and Orangeville popped in three goals in a minute and a half.

Georgetown showed great character as they once again mounted a comeback on goals by Paul Kalbarski from Ryan Pirie and Greg Dawson's effort from Ryan Pells and Tim Presswood.

Trailing 5-2 early in the third, the Sunny Acre squad rallied yet again to make a one goal game on goals by Presswood from Kalbarski and Brent Couling and Ryan Pirie on an unassisted effort.

Although Georgetown pressed hard late in the third period, a late Orangeville goal put the game out of reach and the Sunny Acre midgets out of the provincial playdowns. The team must now wait until the league championships which begin in late February.

Sabres rally to draw even

The Acton Sabres had their backs to the wall in Mid-Ontario Junior C playoff action this week but they wouldn't let the Bradford Bulls have the better of them.

The Sabres trailed three games to one in the best of seven series heading into action Tuesday evening but the Sabres weren't about to be the contest be their last for the 1991-92 season.

The Sabres turned in an outstanding performance in Bradford claiming a 7-4 win and then returned home the following night to post a 5-2 win, evening the best of seven series at three each.

The seventh and deciding game was slated for Friday evening in Bradford. Results were not available at press time.

While coach Ken Steen wouldn't say he was happy with the series tied at three he did admit he was 'happier'.

"I thought we played a good game in Bradford," admitted the coach. "We always play well up there."

The Sabres didn't give the Bulls a chance to rally in game five. They built a 7-2 lead before the second period ended a coasted home for a 7-4 win.

The Sabres wasted little time

letting the Bulls know that weren't going down without a fight. John Ventresca lit the lamp just 1:12 into the opening frame from Jay Jasper and Adam Hilt. Less that a minute later Jason Piper found the range from Mike Sutherland and Paul Cummings and the rout was on.

Bradford got one back before Cummings went to work firing two, the first unassisted and the second from Jim English and Rob Lang. The opening frame ended with the Sabres holding a 4-2 lead.

The second frame was all Acton as Jason Lucas, Piper and Blair Breen lit the lamp to build a 7-2 lead.

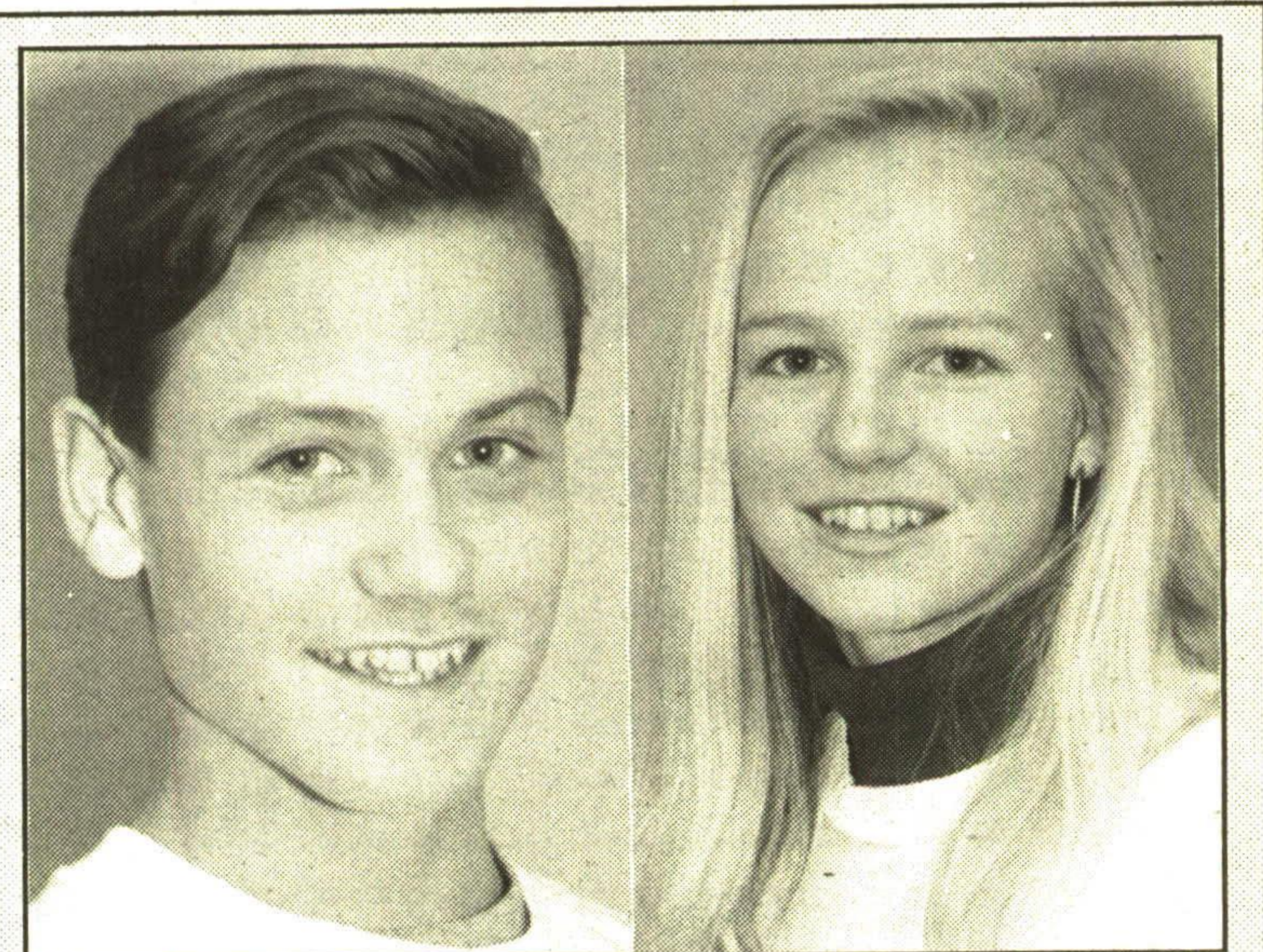
Bradford counted two in the final frame for the 7-4 final.

The next night in Acton it was quite different as the Bulls jumped out to a 2-0 lead.

Acton dug deep, facing elimination, as they counted the next five goals for a 5-2 win. John Van Dam, Lucas, Ventresca, Hilt and English did the damage for Acton as Greg Powell came up big between the pipes.

An Acton win on Friday would put them up against Schomberg in semi-final action.

"I'd rather be in our shoes (Friday night) than their's," admitted Steen.



TOP ATHLETES

GDHS Athletes of the Week are Ian Cox and Lydia Copland. Ian, of Grade 11 was chosen for his outstanding performance at the GDHS Wrestling Tournament, Jan. 18. Ian placed first in his class and won the final in overtime. Female Athlete Lydia Copland, Grade 11, is a longtime member of the cheerleaders and was chosen for her consistent spirit, cheering on GDHS' athletes.